Stone Town Council

Minutes of the meeting held in St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone, on Tuesday 7 November 2017

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ABSENT: Councillors: P. Leason, T. Jackson, Mrs M. Goodall, G. Neagus, M. Williamson, Mrs C. Collier (to item C18/053c) and G. Collier (to item C18/053c).

Before the meeting began Mrs Lin Davies gave prayers.

C18/049 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: T. Jackson, Mrs M. Goodall, P. Leason, M. Williamson, Mrs C. Collier (to item C18/053c) and G. Collier (to item C18/053c).

C18/050 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None received

C18/051 <u>Representations from Members of the Public</u>

None

C18/052 Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 3 October 2017, copies having been circulated to the members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to the following amendment: The change of meeting room was due to the non-availability of suitable furniture following the refurbishment works at the Frank Jordan Centre.

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C18/053 Committee Minutes

RESOLVED:

- a) That the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on the 26 September 2017, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- b) That the minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 26 September 2017, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- c) That the minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 3 October 2017, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- d) That the Planning Committee Meeting held on 3 October 2017, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- e) That the Planning Committee Meeting held on 17 October 2017, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- f) That the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 24 October 2017, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

C18/054 Local Government Transparency Code 2015 Openness of Public Bodies Regulations 2014

The information was noted.

C18/055 Civic Announcements

The Civic Announcements, which had been previously circulated, were noted. The Mayor stated that the Armistice Day, two-minute silence, will be held at the War Memorial, not Market Square. On 12 November 2017, Remembrance Sunday will begin with wreath laying at Walton War Memorial.

The opening of Advent Windows is not only on 1 December 2017, but will continue through each day of the month, and will include the singing of carols.

C18/056 Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's Reports of Engagements

The Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's Announcements which had been

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previously circulated, were noted.

The Mayor thanked all who supported the Trafalgar Dinner on 21 October 2017.

The meeting was suspended to enable the General Purposes Committee Meeting and Planning Committee Meeting to take place. The Town Council meeting was then reconvened for the confidential items on the agenda.

C18/057 To resolve, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting whilst the next item of business is discussed on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the debate

C18/058 Confidential Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the confidential minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 3 October 2017, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the chairman as a correct record.

C18/059 Confidential Committee Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the Confidential Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 3 October 2017, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

TOWN MAYOR