

STONE TOWN COUNCIL

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24 August 2018

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **TOWN COUNCIL**, to be held in **St Michael's Suite at the Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone** on **TUESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2018** at **7.00pm** when the following business will be transacted.

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Agenda

1. **To receive apologies for absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations**
3. **Representations from Members of the Public**

Representation from Tracey Lindop

"Many towns across the UK have begun to tackle the issue of plastic pollution by aiming to become a 'Plastic Free Community' or town. This does not mean that plastics are banned but a recognition that individuals, the Council, businesses and community groups can come together and contribute to the global crisis of plastic pollution.

Surfers Against Sewage (SAS) has created a framework to tackle the avoidable use of single use plastics and to help towns achieve this has created #plasticfreecommunities, so far 369 have signed up to the scheme.

I feel that Stone is ideally suited due to its independent nature and having the river and canal flowing through the town, as well as many independent businesses and large supermarkets that have already begun to consider their single use plastic usage.

I would like the Council to consider whether it would support Stone becoming part of this initiative. This would involve the Council:

1. *Passing a resolution supporting the initiative*
2. *Leading by example to remove single-use plastic items from their premises.*

3. *Encouraging plastic-free initiatives, promoting the campaign and supporting events.*
4. *Appointing a representative to the Plastic Free Community steering group.*

The nearest towns/communities currently working towards certification are Newcastle-under-Lyme, Uttoxeter and Endon.”

4. **Allotment Awards**

5. **To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Meetings of the Town Council held on:**

- a) 31 July 2018, Minute No's. C19/035 – C19/045 (attached)
- b) 7 August 2018, Minute No's. C19/046 – C19/049 (attached)

6. **To receive the minutes and decisions of the under mentioned Committees:**

- a) Planning Committee Meeting held on 31 July 2018, Minute Numbers P19/026 – P19/030 (attached)
- b) General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 31 July 2018, Minute Numbers GP19/060 – GP19/077 (attached)
- c) General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 7 August 2018, Minute Numbers GP19/078 – GP19/083 (attached)
- d) Planning Committee Meeting held on 14 August 2018, Minute Numbers P19/031 – P19/035 (attached)

7. **To receive the forthcoming Civic Announcements** (attached)

8. **To receive the Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's Reports of Engagements** (attached)

9. **Exclusion of the Public and Press**

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.

10. **To confirm as a correct record the confidential minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 31 July 2018, Minute Numbers C19/035 and C19/045** (attached)

11. **To receive the Confidential Minutes and decisions of the undermentioned Committees:**

- a) General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 31 July 2018, Minute Numbers GP19/060 and GP19/077 (attached)
- b) General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 7 August 2018, Minute Numbers GP19/078 and GP19/083 (attached)

Members of the public are welcome to attend the Council Meeting as observers.

Stone Town Council

Minutes of the meeting held in St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone, on Tuesday 31 July 2018

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs K. Green in the Chair, and
Councillors: J. Davies, Mrs J. Farnham, Mrs J. Hood, R. Kenney, M. Green,
M. Williamson, P. Leason, M. Shaw, I. Fordham, T. Jackson, Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier,
G. Neagus and A. Osgathorpe

ABSENT: Councillors: Mrs J. Piggott, Mrs E. Mowatt and Mrs M. Goodall

Before the meeting began Reverend Prebendary I. Cardinal gave prayers

C19/035 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: Mrs J. Piggott, Mrs E. Mowatt and
Mrs M. Goodall

C19/036 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None received

C19/037 Representations from Members of the Public

Representation from Mr G. Berriman

"I would like to ask the Council how it intends to recognise the contribution of Lt Karl Jacobsen, 331 Squadron, the Royal Norwegian Air Force, who died whilst flying the "Star of Stone" spitfire during World War II."

The Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, Councillor Kenney, responded to Mr Berriman to say that the Town Council has by custom and practice not singled out any contributions of any individuals that lost their lives during any conflict. It is more appropriate to treat those that paid the ultimate price on a level playing field. If this Council feels the need to formally adopt such practice then it will be put on an agenda at a future date.

Every year on Remembrance Sunday local residents proudly gather in their thousands around the cenotaph to remember all those that have lost their lives in any conflict not just those named on the cenotaph or local war memorials.

I'm sure the Council will join me in commending you Mr Berriman and your team on

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the personal recognition you gave to the contribution of Lt Karl Jacobsen by hosting his family members, arranging the Spitfire flypast and other events.

C19/038 Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on the 3 July 2018, copies having been circulated to the members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

C19/039 Committee Minutes

RESOLVED:

- a) That the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on the 3 July 2018, 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 3 July 2018, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- c) That the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 17 July 2018, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- d) That the minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 17 July 2018, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

C19/040 Council Investment Strategy

The Council considered the report* of the Town Clerk which examines the statutory guidance on local government investments, to which this Council must have regard.

RESOLVED: To adopt the Investment Policy as set out at paragraph 18 of the Clerk's Report.

**C19/041 Local Government Transparency Code 2015
Openness of Public Bodies Regulations 2014**

The report of the Local Government Transparency Code 2015* and Openness of Public Bodies Regulations 2014 for the quarter ending 30 June 2018 were noted .

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C19/042 Civic Announcements

The Civic Announcements, which had been previously circulated were noted.

C19/043 Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's Reports of Engagements

The Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's Announcements, which had been previously circulated, were noted.

The meeting was suspended at this point to enable the open session of the General Purposes Committee Meeting and the Planning Committee Meeting to take place.

C19/044 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

RESOLVED: To exclude the Press and Public from the next item of business.

C19/045 Confidential Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the confidential minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 3 July 2018, copies having been circulated to members, be signed by the Mayor as a correct record.

TOWN MAYOR

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Stone Town Council

Minutes of the meeting held in St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone, on Tuesday 07 August 2018

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs K. Green in the Chair, and
Councillors: J. Davies, Mrs J. Farnham, I. Fordham, Mrs M. Goodall, M. Green,
Mrs J. Hood, T. Jackson, R. Kenney, P. Leason, G. Neagus, A. Osgathorpe,
Mrs J. Piggott, and M. Williamson.

ABSENT: Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, Mrs E Mowatt and M Shaw.

C19/046 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, Mrs E Mowatt and M Shaw.

C19/047 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None received

C19/048 Representations from Members of the Public

None

C19/049 General Power of Competence

The Council considered the report of the Town Clerk* circulated with the agenda.

RESOLVED: To adopt the General Power of Competence from 8th August 2018 until the next relevant Annual Meeting of the Council, having met the conditions of eligibility as defined in the Localism Act 2011 and SI 965 The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012.

TOWN MAYOR

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Stone Town Council – Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in the St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone, on Tuesday 31 July 2018

PRESENT: Councillor A. Osgathorpe in the Chair, and
Councillors: R. Kenney, M. Green, Mrs J. Hood, J. Davies, M. Shaw,
Mrs K. Green, M. Williamson, Mrs J. Farnham,
P. Leason, I. Fordham, T. Jackson, Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier and
G. Neagus

ABSENT: Councillors: Mrs J. Piggott, Mrs E. Mowatt and Mrs M. Goodall

P19/026 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillors: Mrs J. Piggott, Mrs E. Mowatt and
Mrs M. Goodall

P19/027 **Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations**

None

P19/028 **Representations from Members of the Public**

None received

P19/029 **Planning Applications**

Application Number – 18/28897/HOU

Applicant – Mrs J. Brumby

Location – 1 and 3 Newlands Close, Stone

Development – Conversion of two dwellings to form one dwelling with
extensions and alterations to provide disabled facilities

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 18/28816/FUL

Applicant – Stafford and Rural Homes

Location – Stone Cricket club, Priory Road, Stone

Development – To replace the existing damaged 1.2M high chain link fence with
a 1.8M high mesh security fencing, along with 1 pedestrian fence and a two leaf
vehicle access gate finished in green powder coating.

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 18/28817/FUL

Applicant – Stafford and Rural Homes

Location – Stone Cricket club, Priory Road, Stone

Development – Replace existing damaged 1200mm high chain link fence with 1800mm high steel palisade round topped green powder coated fencing, one pedestrian gate and two-leaf vehicle access gate of same material.

Observations: No objections

P19/030

To note the following items considered under delegated powers where no objections were forwarded to Stafford Borough Council due to no Member asking for the item to be considered by a special meeting of the Committee.

None

Town Mayor

Stone Town Council – General Purposes Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone on Tuesday 31 July 2018

PRESENT: Councillor R. Kenney in the Chair and
Councillors: M. Green, Mrs J. Hood, Mrs J Farnham, J. Davies, M. Shaw, P. Leason,
A. Osgathorpe, M. Williamson, I. Fordham, Mrs K. Green, T. Jackson, Mrs C. Collier,
G. Collier and G. Neagus

ABSENT: Councillors: Mrs J. Piggott, Mrs E. Mowatt and Mrs M Goodall

GP19/060 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: Mrs J. Piggott, Mrs E. Mowatt and
Mrs M. Goodall

GP19/061 Declarations of Interests

Councillors Mrs K. Green and M. Green declared a personal interest in
Item 8 (Minute Number GP19/067) – Stone Lions

Councillors T. Jackson and M. Green declared a personal interest in
Item 8 (Minute Number GP19/067) – Little Stoke Cricket and Bowling Club

Councillor P. Leason declared a personal interest in Item 14 (Minute Number
GP 19/073) – Members Motions under Standing Order 4

Councillor Mrs J. Farnham declared a personal interest in Item 8 (Minute Number
GP19/067) – STING

GP19/062 Requests for Dispensations

None

GP19/063 To Receive the report of the County Councillors

- County Councillor Mrs J. Hood had no report
- County Councillor Parry was not in attendance at the meeting

GP19/064 Representations from Members of the Public

None

GP19/065 Minutes

RESOLVED:

- a) Estates Sub-Committee held on 17 July 2018 copies having been circulated
to Members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record and that the

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recommendations of the Sub-Committee contained in Minute Numbers EST19/004 and EST19/005 be adopted.

- b) Management Sub-Committee held on 17 July 2018 copies having been circulated to Members, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record and that the recommendations of the Sub-Committee contained in Minute Numbers MAN19/004, MAN19/005, MAN19/006 and MAN19/007 be adopted.

GP19/066 Budget Monitoring Report – June 2018

The Committee received the quarterly report* of the Town Clerk with information on the Council's current financial position compared with its budget for the year.

RESOLVED:

- To approve the adjustments to the Council's budget as set out in Appendix A of the report.
- To note the Council's performance against budget at the end of June 2018 and details of the Council's spending since the last budget monitoring report.
- To take no further action.

GP19/067 To consider the following requests for a grant:

STING - £500

The Committee considered the grant application received from STING requesting £500 which would either cover the cost of one month's rent of their premises or contribute towards physio costs.

RESOLVED: That no grant be awarded to STING

STONE LIONS - £500

The Committee considered the grant application received from STONE LIONS requesting £500 towards covering the costs of Prostate Screening PSA Blood Tests.

RESOLVED: To award £500 to Stone Lions.

LITTLE STOKE CRICKET AND BOWLING CLUB - £500

The Committee considered the grant application from Little Stoke Cricket and Bowling Club requesting £500 towards the cost of purchasing a new petrol flymo and strimmer to aid keeping the green in pristine condition.

RESOLVED: To award £250 to Little Stoke Cricket and Bowling Club, to be paid once confirmation that the other funding is in place and has been received.

BLYTHE BRIDGE, FORSBROOK AND DILHORNE HISTORICAL SOCIETY - £100

The Committee considered the grant application from Blythe Bridge, Forsbrook and Dilhorne Historical Society requesting £100 to cover the shortfall of the cost of producing 10 Historical Volumes.

RESOLVED: To award £100 to Blythe Bridge, Forsbrook and Dilhorne Historical Society.

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GP19/068 Stafford Borough Council New Local Plan

This item was deferred until the next meeting of the General Purposes on 4th September, 2018

GP19/069 Westbridge Park Public Consultation

Further to the meeting with Red Kite Network Ltd and Officers of Stafford Borough Council on 17th July, regarding the Westbridge Park Consultation Phase 2, the Councillors raised the following concerns:

- The security & surveillance of the play areas and MUGA with particular concern regarding lighting. Members requested the addition of CCTV.
- Inadequate toilet facilities especially when events are being held in the park i.e. Food & Drink Festival
- Road safety concerns along the main entrance; there will be a lot of cars on the M & S Car Park and the young need safeguarding with the correct barriers
- Assurance is sought regarding the future maintenance and cleaning of the play equipment
- A firm phased timetable is essential along with detailed proposals of what is going where, to include mitigation for football pitches
- Members would like to see a breakdown of funding and the sources of the funding

RESOLVED: That the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, formulate a response to Stafford Borough Council highlighting the above concerns/ comments.

GP19/070 Proposed One-Way Traffic Management Changes – Church Street, Stone

Councillor Kenney reported that he had received several e-mails regarding Staffordshire County Council's proposal to introduce a new one-way system within Church Street, Stone. Although all but one was in favour of the alterations, other members had received concerns from residents in the Hempbuts area.

Councillor Kenney proposed that the Town Council reply to the consultation asking the County Council to consider making only part of Church Street one-way, from the junction of Lichfield Street by the entrance to St Michael's Church as far as the Railway lines in an upward direction.

Although this would cause some issues with hearses and wedding cars exiting the Churchyard there were alternatives which Councillor Kenney was going to discuss at a meeting with the County the following day.

RESOLVED: To reply to the County Council Consultation asking them to consider making only part of Church Street one-way. This being from the junction of Lichfield Street, by the entrance to St Michael's Church, as far as the Railway lines in an upward direction.

GP19/071 Non-Cheque Payments

RESOLVED: To note the list* of non-cheque payments made by the Council during the period 1 May to 30 June 2018.

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GP19/072 Members Motion under Standing Order 4

Councillor Mrs J Farnham

'Due to increasing difficulty in parking at 15 Station Road to visit the Town Council offices, could the Council consider investigating whether the parking facilities could be extended by utilising the grassed area which would, after the initial cost, save money on grass cutting and maintenance'.

RESOLVED: To write to Stafford Borough Council to ask if they will consider extending the parking facilities to the rear of 15 Station Road by utilising the grassed area.

RESOLVED: To write to Matthew Ellis requesting that the Police Officers working from 15 Station Road Offices park their private cars on the large, empty Police Car Park in Station Road until such times that it is sold.

GP19/073 Members Motion under Standing Order 4

Councillor Mrs J. Farnham

'Would the Town Council consider relocating the Rotary cement trough at the front of the library in order to expose the dedication plaque which is infinitely more preferable and enhances the library in a conservation area'.

The Motion was withdrawn by Councillor Mrs J. Farnham

GP19/074 Update from Working Groups

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Councillor Mrs Hood reported that the consultation period for the Draft Stone Neighbourhood Plan had finished at noon that day (31 July 2018). In the week following a small group of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group were to meet to go through the responses, the findings of which would go to a further meeting of the full Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group for consideration.

RESOLVED: To note the update of the Working Group

Stone Area Parish Liaison Group

Councillor Davies reported that there had been another meeting on 11 July where there had again been a lot of useful discussion and exchange of ideas amongst the Parishes in attendance.

RESOLVED: To note the update of the Working Group

GP19/075 To receive reports from Town Councillors on attendance at meetings of local organisations and outside bodies as a representative of the Town Council

Stone ATC

Cllr J. Davies reported that he had attended a meeting two weeks previously at which he was delighted to have been able to present a cheque for over £500 from his Mayor's Charity proceeds; the ATC have just purchased a new mini-bus so are grateful for any contributions.

Cllr J. Davies said that the cadets were working closely with the Royal Air Force and are playing a major role in the celebrations for the centenary of RAF on

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2nd September.

Age Concern Stone & District

No meeting had taken place.

Stone Town Band

No meeting had taken place.

Stafford & Stone Access Group

No meeting had taken place.

Stone Common Plot Trustees

There was no report.

Stone Community Hub Liaison Group

No meeting had taken place.

SPCA Executive Committee

No meeting had taken place.

The meeting was suspended at this point to enable the Planning Committee meeting to take place. The General Purposes Committee meeting was then reconvened for the confidential items on the agenda.

GP19/076 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To resolve, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission of 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

RESOLVED: To exclude the Press and Public from the next item of business.

GP19/077 Support for Bus Services in Stone

The Committee received an update from the Town Clerk on the current situation relating to Minute number GP19/050.

Town Mayor

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Stone Town Council – General Purposes Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone on Tuesday 7 August 2018

PRESENT: Councillor R. Kenney in the Chair, and
Councillors: J. Davies, Mrs J. Farnham, I. Fordham, Mrs M. Goodall, Mrs K. Green,
M. Green, Mrs J. Hood, T. Jackson, P. Leason, G. Neagus, A. Osgathorpe,
Mrs J. Piggott, and M. Williamson.

ABSENT: Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, Mrs E Mowatt and M Shaw.

GP19/078 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: Mrs C. Collier, G. Collier, Mrs E Mowatt and M Shaw.

GP19/079 Declarations of Interests

None

GP19/080 Requests for Dispensations

None

GP19/081 Representations from Members of the Public

None

GP19/082 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To resolve, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission of 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

RESOLVED: To exclude the Press and Public from the next item of business.

GP19/083 Support for Bus Services in Stone

The Committee received an update from the Town Clerk on the current situation relating to Minute numbers GP19/050 and GP19/077.

RESOLVED:

To enter into discussions with a view to providing a trial weekly service to support residents in the Aston Lodge, Stonefield, Walton and Cherryfields areas.

Town Mayor

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Stone Town Council – Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in the St Michael's Suite, Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone, on Tuesday 14 August 2018

PRESENT: Councillor G. Neagus in the Chair, and
Councillors: R. Kenney, Mrs J. Hood, J. Davies, M. Shaw, M. Williamson,
Mrs J. Farnham, I. Fordham, Mrs C. Collier and Mrs J. Piggott

ABSENT: Councillors: A. Osgathorpe, Mrs E. Mowatt, Mrs M. Goodall, M. Green,
Mrs K. Green, P. Leason, T. Jackson and G. Collier

P19/031 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: A. Osgathorpe, Mrs E. Mowatt,
Mrs M. Goodall, M. Green, Mrs K. Green, T. Jackson and G. Collier

P19/032 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None

P19/033 Representations from Members of the Public

None received

P19/034 Planning Applications

Application Number – 18/28945/ADV

Applicant – Miss Rebecca Gorman, Euro Car Parks

Location – Marks and Spencer Food Hall, Stafford Road, Stone

Development – Signage placed around the car park to inform visitors the maximum time authorised for their parking whilst visiting the Marks and Spencer Store.

Observations: Objections are raised by the Town Council as the signs, which have already been installed, are not user friendly. Much of the text is small and difficult to read, and the signs are positioned at a height that would add to this difficulty, and possibly make them near impossible to be read by a wheelchair user.

Application Number – 18/28948/HOU

Applicant – Mr Blood c/c Design Construction Management Services Ltd

Location – 8 Whitemill Lane, Stone

Development – Extension and driveway

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 18/28672/HOU (Amendment)

Applicant – Dr M. Millington
Location – 18 Manor Rise, Walton
Development – Raised decking in rear garden

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 18/28965/FUL
Applicant – Mr S Nuttall, Joules Brewery Ltd
Location – Stone Town Council Car Park, Crown Street, Stone
Development – Proposed new Public House and Studio Theatre including incorporation of existing Wharfinger's Cottage and store; plus associated external works.

Observations: No objections

Application Number – 18/28997/COU
Applicant – Mrs Nash
Location – Hair & Beauty, 9 Radford Street, Stone
Development – Change of use from A1 shop to mixed use, primarily for a boutique, pilates studio with small scale associated retail (pilates clothing, pilates balls etc.) Back room to be used for therapeutic massage.

Observations: No objections

P19/035 **To note the following items considered under delegated powers where no objections were forwarded to Stafford Borough Council due to no Member asking for the item to be considered by a special meeting of the Committee.**

None

Town Mayor

STONE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

4 September 2018

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor

Thursday 6 September	Stone & District Scout Council AGM
Thursday 6 September	Royal Air Forces Association Brewery Tour
Saturday 8 September	Stone & District Royal Air Forces Association - Transfer of RAF100 Token to the Stafford Branch
Sunday 9 September	Staffordshire Moorlands District Council: Tour of Biddulph Old Hall & Afternoon Tea, hosted by the Chairman
Thursday 13 September	Tactical Supply Wing's Battle of Britain & RAF100 Dinner at RAF Stafford. Commemorative and Centenary Celebration
Saturday 15 September	Stone Chrysanthemum & Dahlia Society 32 nd Open Show
Sunday 16 September	Stafford Borough Council: Battle of Britain Commemoration and Tactical Supply Wing, Royal Air Force Freedom Parade, RAF 100
Thursday 20 September	Stafford & Rural Homes AGM
Saturday 22 September	Mayor's Charity Quiz Night
Monday 24 September	Uttoxeter Town Council: Dr Johnson's Birthday Celebrations at Market Square, Uttoxeter

Deputy Mayor

Thursday 6 September	Beat Retreat and Cocktail Reception, Officers Mess, Beacon Barracks
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TOWN MAYOR

TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT – to 19 August 2018

Wednesday 25th July

This morning we attended the opening of the new Marks & Spencer Food Hall on Westbridge Park. The ribbon was cut by a pupil of Christ Church School who had won a drawing competition. Everyone received a reusable shopping bag. It's a large and airy store with lots of choice in the food isles.

Sunday 29th July

This was the day of the Leek Civic Service. We were lucky the rain kept off as we marched to the Church. Afterwards, we went to the Civic Hall for Afternoon Tea.

Wednesday 1st August

Early evening we went along to the International Girl Guides Unity Camp. The evening started with a tour followed by a Cream Tea. Then everyone enjoyed entertainment from groups of girls from the different countries who were in attendance.

Saturday 4th August

This evening we attended a musical event in Stafford to celebrate 45 years of fundraising by Paul Milgate-Scarrott. This gentleman is the photographer for the local newspapers and a presenter on Stone Radio.

Sunday 5th August

This was the day we went to Cheadle Town Councils "Party in the Park". The event is held in the park next to the Council Offices. There were lots of things to do including charity stalls and entertainment and this was a free event. The day was very hot!!!

Thursday 9th August

Today was the Stafford and Rural Homes Garden Awards. The event was also attended by the Stafford Mayor and Mayoress. I was asked to give out the Young Gardener of the Year Award. There were two winners with one from Stone. He won it for his allotment.

Saturday 18th August

Today we went along to "Stone by the Sea" in the Market Square. The children loved playing in the sand, going on the Donkeys and also on the rides. The Punch and Judy was enjoyed by all including myself! This was a very successful event.

Sunday 19 August

Today was the Burma Star Commemorative Service & Parade in Stonefield park. The number of people attending increase each year. Thank you to those who arranged the event and for the refreshments served. The Service was very simple and dignified.

DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT

Nothing to report