

Present: Councillor Mrs E Hodgkin (Chair)
Councillor Mrs P Phillips (Vice Chair)
Councillor Mrs J Bland
Councillor W Hamilton
Councillor D Hinke
Councillor Miss K Hinton
Councillor D Nimmo-Smith

In Attendance: Mr M Kennedy – Town Clerk
Mrs N Taylor – Committee Administrator / Note Taker

Also Present: 1 Member of the Press
3 Members of the Public

23. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from the Mayor Councillor M Akehurst and Councillor Mrs J Wood.

24. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

25. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Mr K Arlett – 11 Elizabeth Road

Minute 8 of the 20 May Meeting – Mr Arlett wished to question Minute 8 of the minutes of the meeting held on 20 May. The Chairman sought guidance and was advised that matters arising from the minutes of a previous meeting are not open for discussion as this does not appear as an agenda item. The Committee is asked to approve the minutes, moreover, since the minutes were ratified at Full Council, there was no further opportunity for debate.

It was agreed that Mr Arlett could make a comment on the minutes as they appeared as item 4 on this agenda but could not ask a question that would require an answer.

Mr Arlett declined to make a comment and would seek further advice.

Mr Mohammad Seylani-Zader – 2 Tilebarn Close

Item 7 - Kebab Van – Mr Seylani-Zader requested the support of this Committee in regards to his application for reinstatement of a licence to operate a Kebab Van in the Greys Road Car Park.

Mr K Arlett – 11 Elizabeth Road

Item 7 – Kebab Van – Mr Arlett requested that this Committee supports the application to have the Kebab Van licence reinstated as when it was there in

the past there were never any complaints and the area was always kept very clean and tidy.

26. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Town and Community Committee held on 20 May 2014 were received, approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

27. **PROGRESS**

Members received a report on progress, and after the following observations noted the information contained therein.

Old Fire Station Gallery and Barn Users Group

25 left and 25 right red Gallery foot prints have now been received. As there is only a aingle booking at the beginning of August for a WWI exhibition, and then no further bookings in the Gallery until September it has been decided that the launch of the footprints will not take place until early September.

Fairtrade

The Committee was informed that a meeting had taken place on 17 June and it was agreed that an assessment is needed on who in the Town sells Fair Trade products and what it is that they sell. The next meeting is scheduled to take place in September and a written report will be brought back to this committee following that meeting.

Civil Parking (CPE)

A Member questioned the need for CPE, its cost and if it would be better to just issue polite letters to people who park illegally. Members were reminded that CPE would free up the Police and enable them to carry out the jobs that they were trained to do. OCC will have to make one application to Central Government for CPE and needs Cherwell DC, SODC and Vale of White Horse DC to be on board before it will apply, and at present Cherwell DC are reticent to progress. There will be a cost of £90k to set up the legal side of CPE, so OCC will only apply if all three District Councils are in agreement to proceed.

Hanging Basket Pole

It was noted that another pole had been knocked over in Hart Street, and agreed that if the root is the same then the pole already being stored in the sports depot awaiting delivery of a root be used to replace the newly damaged one. The Insurance claim will still be progressed and used to purchase another pole that can be placed at the agreed location in Duke Street.

Defibrillator

Awaiting response from Starbucks Area Manager re the possible location of a Defibrillator provided by Millie's Dream on the outside of their store.

28. **BUDGET**

Members received the Management Accounts to 31 May 2014, copy having been issued, and after the following observations it was **RESOLVED**

that the report be noted.

Two companies have approached the Town Clerk enquiring about exclusive use of the Red Lion Mooring for embarking and disgorging passengers. It was suggested that the Town Clerk and the Chairman of this Committee meet with both of the companies to discuss and negotiate the best deal for the Council. It was **RESOLVED**

that **Delegated Powers be given to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman to meet with the interested parties and negotiate a rate for a 1 year contract.**

29. KEBAB VAN

Members received and considered a report from South Oxfordshire District Council requesting this Council's support or not for a licence to operate a Kebab Van in the Greys Road Car Park.

After an in-depth and considered discussion it was unanimously **RESOLVED**

that this Council supports the application from Mr Seylani-Zader to trade from the Greys Road Car Park and requests that South Oxfordshire District Council grants this licence.

30. AIR QUALITY

Members received and considered a copy of the Draft SODC Air Quality Action Plan 2014 consultation, comments to claire.spendley@southandvale.gov.uk by 4pm on Friday 4 July 2014, and made the following observations.

- Dismay that there is nothing new in the document. Henley will possibly be having 400+ homes built and there is nothing to alleviate the problems that Henley has with particles in the air.
- Support for a Low Emission zone at the top end of Duke Street with a ban on buses and Lorries.
- This Council passed a resolution for a ban on HGV's in Henley but this is not included in the document.
- The document is testament that OCC and SODC are approaching the issue from different angles with no evidence of joined up thinking.
- There is a Connecting Oxfordshire Road Show taking place at the Town Hall on Wednesday 16 July at 7pm with the Leader of OCC Ian Hudspeth, and all Councillors are encouraged to attend to get Henley's point of view across.
- Electric car charging points should be included.
- There is a section of the Neighbourhood Plan that deals with environmental Policies
- There needs to be a collaborative approach between all three tiers of Local Government.
- Disappointment at the length of time it has taken to produce a document that does not seem to be addressing Henley's problems.

31. CCTV

Members received and considered the Quarter Four 2013-14 CCTV quarterly report. It was **RESOLVED**

that the report be noted.

32. OLD FIRE STATION GALLERY AND KINGS ARMS BARN WORKING GROUP

Members received and considered the informal notes of a meeting held on Tuesday 20 May 2014. It was **RESOLVED**

that the notes of the Old Fire Station Gallery and Kings Arms Barn Working Group be received and noted.

**33. REGATTA
INFORMAL REGATTA MEETING 21 MAY 2014**

Members received and considered the notes of the informal meeting held on Tuesday 21 May 2014. It was **RESOLVED**
that the notes of the informal Regatta Meeting be received and noted.

34. TOWN HALL SOUND AND VISION

Members received and considered an update report on the upgrade of Sound, Lighting and Vision in the Town Hall. It was **RESOLVED**

that the report be received and noted.

35. LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 4 (LTP4)

Following the FSM Meeting held on 27.5.14 Minute 16 - Which members would like to sit on a working group (with delegated powers) to produce a high level response on behalf of HTC on LTP4, Members considered who should sit on the Working Group and it was **RESOLVED**

that Councillors M Akehurst, Miss K Hinton and D Nimmo-Smith form the Working Group, and

that the group meet before 16 July, and agree some questions that can be put to Mr Hudspeth at the Road Show on Wednesday 16 July 2014.

It was noted that this year there have been 5 major consultations running over this June / July, and due to this the results of each are bound to be disappointing.

The Meeting closed at 8.35pm

Chairman