WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

29TH OCTOBER 2018

PRESENT:

Town Mayor Cllr A Price, Deputy Town Mayor Cllr K S Jones and Councillors D A Chadwick, Mrs A B Eckersley-Fallon, Miss D J McGeown, Mrs J A Peploe, J Speight, Miss S Watkin, D A Wilkinson and Mrs L J Winrow-Baker, Town Clerk.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members of the public.

The Town Council and members of the public observed two minutes silence in respect of the Bolton and Horwich Councillor Mrs Barbara Ronson, deceased.

TC162/2018 FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION

The Chairman, Cllr A Price, explained the Fire Safety procedure.

TC163/2018 TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO ACCEPT REASONS

Resolved that the following apologies for absence and reasons be accepted by the Town Council: Cllrs J R Ainscough - Personal Commitment, D J Gradwell and T D Robinson – work, and R A Battersby and Miss R S M Fairhurst – sick.

TC164/2018 TO READ THE NOTICE CONVENING THE MEETING

The Chairman read the notice convening the meeting.

TC165/2018 TO RECORD DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEM TO BE DISCUSSED

Cllr D A Chadwick declared an interest in Agenda item No. 7 – To Discuss Planning and Development Matters and to approve any action because he is a member of the Bolton Council Planning Committee and he will not participate in the discussions.

Cllr D A Wilkinson declared an interest in Agenda item No. 7 – To Discuss Planning and Development Matters and to approve any action because he is a member of the Bolton Council Planning Committee and reserved the right to speak and vote, and to re-consider his decision at a Bolton Council Planning Committee, if additional information is presented

TC166/2018 ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW PUBLIC QUESTION TIME RELATING TO TOWN COUNCIL ACTIVITIES AND ITEMS WITHIN ITS POWERS

There were no questions.

TC167/2018 THE ATTENDANCE OF A WESTHOUGHTON SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB OFFICIAL RE A REQUEST FOR A GRANT

The Westhoughton Sports & Social Club official explained the Grant Application and answered questions from the Town Council.

TO APPROVE ANY ACTION TO APPROVE ANY ACTION

(a) TOWN COUNCIL'S COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Town Council requested that its comments on the following Planning Applications are placed before the Bolton Council Planning Committee:

- 04555/18 The Town Council raised no objections
- 04648/18 The Town Council raised no objections
- 04695/18 The Town Council raised no objections
- 04686/18 The Town Council raised no objections
- 04621/18 The Town Council requested that the Bolton Council Planning Committee or Planning Officer determine the application
- 04676/18 The Town Council requested that the Bolton Council Planning Committee or Planning Officer determine the application
- 04694/18 The Town Council raised no objections
- 04706/18 The Town Council raised no objections

(b) DISCUSSION ON PLANNING APPEALS Nil

(c) TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS

Resolved that the Planning Decisions, as circulated, be received and noted.

TC169/2018 TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, HELD ON MONDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 2018

Resolved that the minutes of the Town Council Meeting, held on Monday, 24th September, 2018, as circulated, be approved by the Town Council.

TC170/2018 TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD ON MONDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 2018

Resolved that the minutes of the Planning and Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting, held on Monday, 8th October, 2018, as circulated, be noted by the Town Council.

TC171/2018 DISCUSSION ON ITEMS FOR THE CENTENARY ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF WW1 AND TO APPROVE ANY ACTION

(a) To donate £200 to the R.B.L.I. Poppy Appeal instead of purchasing 2 x Silent Soldier Silhouettes as they are unavailable and the price has increased to £250 each

Resolved that the Town Council approve a donation of £200 to the R.B.L.I. Poppy Appeal.

- (b) The siting of 2 Centenary Anniversary benches, next to the War Memorial, at a cost per bench of £695, plus VAT, plus delivery Resolved that the Town Council approve the siting of 2 Centenary Anniversary benches, next to the War Memorial, at a cost per bench of £695, plus VAT, plus delivery
- (c) The purchase of a WW1 Commemorative Plaque at a cost of £194, plus £15 carriage, plus VAT for siting on the wall adjoining the War Memorial Resolved that the Town Council approve the purchase of a WW1 Commemorative Plaque at a cost of £194, plus £15 carriage, plus VAT for siting on the wall adjoining the War Memorial

The above items are in accordance with Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

TC172/2018 TO APPROVE THE DATE OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 2019 Resolved that the Annual Town Meeting will take place on Monday, 20th May, 2019, at 6.45 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Westhoughton Town Hall.

TC173/2018 DISCUSSION ON THE APPROVAL OF DAISY HILL IN BLOOM ITEMS TOTALLING £210 AND APPROVE ANY ACTION

Resolved that the Daisy Hill in Bloom items totalling £210, as circulated, be approved by the Town Council.

TC174/2018 TO APPROVE THE BANK RECONCILIATION FOR 1.9.18 – 30.9.18 Resolved that the Bank Reconciliation for 1.9.18 – 30.9.18, as circulated, be approved.

TC175/2018 TO APPROVE THE QUARTERLY ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD 1.7.18 – 30.9.18

Resolved that the Quarterly Accounts for the period 1.7.18 – 30.9.18, as circulated, be approved.

TC176/2018 DISCUSSION ON THE REQUEST FOR A GRANT FROM THE WESTHOUGHTON SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

Resolved that the Town Council approve a grant of £500 towards the cost of the Westhoughton Sports & Social Club Senior Citizens' Christmas Party. This is in accordance with Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

1C177/2018 TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Resolved that approval be given to the signing by two members and the Town Clerk of an authorisation for payment of accounts totalling £3,294.47.

Salaries & H.M.R.C. payments			£ 2,532.45
AP54	C Morris	Stationery	204.93
AP55	LexisNexis	Stationery	110.99
156	Cash	Postage	100.00
157	Committee member	D.H.I.B. Items	210.00
158	Cash	Postage	100.00
DD	Talktalk	Telephone & Internet fee	27.30
Bank Charges			8.80
TOTAL:			3,294.47

TC178/2018 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK

The following correspondence was noted by the Town Council:

- 1. Premises Licenses
- 2. Letter St Bartholomew's CE Primary School

TC179/2018 DATE OF NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, 26th November, 2018.

The meeting closed at 7.25 p.m.