

Highworth



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G13.

MINUTES

GENERAL PURPOSE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

4 July 2017

PRESENT

Councillor S Weisinger (In the Chair)

Councillor: R Acres
P L Adams
A Bishop
(Mrs) J Bishop
(Mrs) J Clark
(Mrs) A Durrant
G Edwards
N Gardiner
(Mrs) A Livall
(Mrs) M Penny
K Smith
(Mrs) L Vardy
(Mrs) P M Webster

IN ATTENDANCE

Richard Williams (Market Manager) Will Morgan, Rob Williams and Peter Lawson (Aldi), and 13 Members of the Public

APOLOGIES

18. Councillor C A Adams



Highworth is a Fair Trade Town



Twinned with Wassenberg



Twinned with Pontorson

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

19. None.

ALDI - PROPOSED NEW SUPERMARKET FOR HIGHWORTH

20. It was stated that Aldi did not have sufficient land owner agreement to approach the Highworth Neighbourhood Plan Committee to be included in the Plan but an email was produced showing its response to the Reg. 16 Consultation. Swindon Borough Council Forward Planning is to be approached for clarification regarding this. A copy of the reported presentation has been forwarded to Councillors.

HIGHWORTH MARKET

21. a. Correspondence. None.

b. Market Manager's Report. The Market Manager's Report is as follows:

A market trader has not been for several weeks and is not contactable it has therefore assumed that he will not be returning. Advertising is still ongoing and new areas to advertise are being explored.

The Councillors were advised of an incident that happened on 24 June 2017 where a member of the public removed the safety cones to park outside the Charity shop and subsequently refused to move. The Police were notified and Councillors unanimously agreed for an incident book to be set up in the office so that incidents such as these can be recorded.

c. Market Accounts. The accounts listed on pages G16 and G17 were agreed.

CORRESPONDENCE

22. None.

MEMBERSHIP OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (NALC) AND WILTSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (WALC)

23. This is to be deferred until September.

POLICY – PERSISTENT AND UNREASONABLE COMPLAINTS PROCEDURES

24. Resolved by Councillor S Weisinger and seconded by Councillor K Smith to adopt the Persistent and Unreasonable Complaints Policy, copies of which were circulated to Councillors prior to the Meeting. Carried unanimously and the Policy was duly adopted.

ACCOUNTS

25. The accounts listed on page G18 to G22 were passed and payment of bills authorised.

MEMBERS BUSINESS

26. a. Councillor G Edwards: PCSO Lee Wheeldon is to be invited to the next Full Council meeting to give a report on recent burglaries in Highworth.

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b. Councillor N Gardiner: The public toilets are in the 'snagging' process and once completed money can be re-claimed from Swindon Borough Council.

c. Councillor (Mrs) L Vardy: The Service Level Agreement for the Library is still with the Legal Department at Swindon Borough Council. Councillor (Mrs) M Penny has requested the first three months footfall figures from the Borough.

Meeting closed 7.45pm