

5. Item 8 moved forward.

Current Workload and Staffing.

Town Clerk informed the Committee that Operations Manager is still off sick and has been since March 2017. We were then currently down to three Operations staff as four were off sick. We have now got temporary help in. They have nearly caught up. This week, we have received two separate emails today from members of the public praising how good the flowers look around town.

Some good news, Ian Webb who use to work for the council for 17 years and left a year ago. He is coming back starting 1st July 2017.

A temporary has been taken on and hope to offer him permanent position in a couple of months.

We currently have seven in the Operations team and are still looking to employ additional staff.

Cllr Chapman proposed to move back into open session. This was seconded by Cllr Maslen.

RESOLVED: unanimously to accept the proposal.

6.. **Minutes**

- a) Cllr Mrs Taylor stated that the member of public mentioned in the minutes of meeting held on 11th May 2017 was in-correct. It should be Simon Flint and not Simon Ward.

It was proposed by Cllr Maslen and seconded by Cllr Banks to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 11th May 2017 with the above amendment.

RESOLVED 5 vote for and 2 abstentions to accept the proposal.

- b) Actions from Previous Meetings

- (i) Christmas Lights – Loves Farm.

To date the Town Clerk has not received in writing from Huntingdonshire District Council with regards to the agreement given verbally to Operations Manager. He has spoken to Helen Lack and she is chasing this up on our behalf.

- (ii) Upgrade/Improvements to all play areas. General consultation with residents.

Town Clerk. This will be repeated in the August Newsletter with a deadline of the end of the month.

(iii) Christmas Lights 2017 Working Group.

Town Clerk has received ideas from the supplier. Unfortunately we are not permitted to put string lights onto the lamppost but have been given good alternatives.

Town Clerk will arrange for the Working Group to meet and discuss.

Cllr Chapman stated that as the July Operation Committee meeting is not going ahead, this decision will need to be made at the next meeting held the end of August 2017.

(iv) Road Sign Traffic Cleaning.

This can now be actioned as Operation team have now caught up with grass cutting.

(v) Display sign at Eaton Socon Cemetery.

Town Clerk will check.

(vi) Shady Walk and Riversmead.

Town Clerk. We are having difficulty finding what we can put in it as it is very small. There are concerns about anti-social behaviour in that area. Will report back at next meeting.

(vii) Arnhem Way, Eaton Socon.

Town Clerk. Still waiting to receive ownership.

(viii) CCTV Update on going wireless none.

Cllr Chapman stated that Huntingdonshire District Council is planning on setting up a separate commercial company and running CCTV through this company. If this goes ahead then no consideration has been given to local town and parish councils. Assumption is this monopoly will be transferred to outside of the council's control.

Committee debated.

Chapman proposed that we request that the Town Clerk contacts J Lancaster and ask what the structure is and what implications will there be for the town and our involvement of the governance. This was seconded by Cllr Banks.

RESOLVED: unanimously to accept the proposal.

Use of Wardens.

Town Clerk is finding it hard to find a town of our size that has implemented this.

Town Clerk went through the powers that were permitted as there was some confusion as to what the Warden was actually permitted to do.

Cllr Chapman proposed we follow this up and bring back to the next meeting with a ^{accurate} ~~an~~ ~~accurate~~ description. This was seconded by Cllr Corley.

RESOLVED: unanimously to accept the proposal.

7. Flowerbeds – Communication from Residents

Cllr Chapman brought to the members attention letter received from a local resident.

This was noted by the Committee.

8. CCTV Report for April 2017

Noted by the committee.

CCTV Report for May 2017

Meeting closed at 8:40pm.


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CHAIRMAN