

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DEVELOPMENT & PROMOTION COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE PRIORY CENTRE, ST NEOTS
ON TUESDAY 17 JULY 2018

Present: Cllrs S Giles (Chairman), Davies, Cooper-Marsh (Deputy Chairman) Johnson, Speed, Gregson, Caroline Green, Pitt & Ferguson

Also present: Town Clerk, Civic Officer

Public Participation

Cllr Prentice sat if the public area.

Jessica Peek a resident of Avenue Road spoke to members about concerns over the speeding issues in Avenue Road and if there were any updates on the speed camera trial referred to at a previous committee. The Town Clerk confirmed that the equipment would be installed for a two week trial period in September once the schools have returned from holidays to allow more reliable data to be gathered. Residents will be notified when the cameras have been installed. Jessica thanked the committee for their time.

8. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Slade.

9. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest received.

It was proposed and seconded that Cllr Ferguson stand in for Cllr Slade for the duration of this committee meeting.

RESOLVED to accept the proposal.

10. Election of a Deputy Chairman

The Chairman briefed members that Cllr Cooper Marsh would be transferring to the Operations and Amenities Committee to attend the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at HDC, this will also facilitate keeping the SNTC committee meetings on Tuesday evenings. The transfer will be ratified at the next full council meeting and committee members will be asked at that meeting to approve the swap of committee members and to elect a new Deputy Chairman for this committee.

11. Minutes

It was proposed and seconded to accept the minutes of the Development and Promotion Committee held on 19 June 2018 as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED to accept the proposal

12. Reports on Matters Outstanding

The Town Clerk updated members on matters outstanding which are appended to these minutes.

13. Speed Project

Members discussed considering the speed toolkit for use in St Neots as a speed awareness project with Loves Farm being highlighted as a potential location. It was agreed by members that Matt Stanton, Road Safety Education Team Leader at CCC would be invited to attend the next meeting of this committee to advise members on what would be involved in holding a speed awareness week within our town.

14. Comic Relief Video

Members discussed the idea of the council producing a light hearted video for comic relief to share on social media with the aim of benefiting the charity and raising the profile of St Neots to a wider audience.

It was advised by the Town Clerk that members as individuals could participate in a fundraising video project. However a promotional video of the town should be seen and kept as a separate project which if members so choose a working group could be formed to investigate this further bearing in mind any costs will need to be budgeted for.

15. River Boat

A report was presented to members from the river boat working party on securing a riverboat tourist attraction for 2019. This item to be added to the agenda of September meeting of this committee whereby a costings report and further information would be available.

A member believed that £10k had been ear marked in this year's budget by the previous committee for this project. The Town Clerk agreed to check this and email committee members with an update prior to the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.



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Chairman