

## WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD AT THE WELLINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE 17 FEBRUARY 2022 AT 6.30pm

**Present:** Councillors Lithgow (Chair), Govier, Lloyd, Stock-Williams and Thorne  
David Farrow – Town Clerk.

#### **472 Apologies**

No apologies were received.

#### **473 Declarations of Interest**

None were declared.

#### **474 Minutes**

**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 20 January 2022.

#### **475 Questions and Comments from Members of the Public**

None had been received.

#### **476 Specification for Cleaning the Longforth Road Toilet Block**

The Committee considered the draft document circulated with the agenda and with some minor amendments **RESOLVED** to recommend to Full Council that the specification be agreed and used as the basis for the tendering process.

#### **477 Vision for Wellington Town Council**

The Committee considered the document that had been circulated with the agenda and with minor amendments **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Full Council that it be adopted and used as the basis for the Town Councils work.

#### **478 Somerset West and Taunton (SWT) Land Purchase**

A paper had been circulated with the agenda and the Town Clerk tabled a document received from SWT after the agenda had been circulated. The Committee **RESOLVED** to recommend to Full Council that the draft Heads of Terms should be accepted as a basis for further discussion.

#### **479 Westford Field**

The Town Clerk advised the Committee that the purchase of the field by the Town Council had been completed on the 14 February 2022. A paper had been circulated with the agenda in anticipation of that and the Committee **RESOLVED:**

- (a) To recommend to Full Council that one Dog Bin be installed near the access gate from Linden Hill.
- (b) That further consideration be given to the name for the field and the views of the community should be sought.
- (c) That once the name is finalised signs should be installed.
- (d) That discussions should take place with appropriate local community groups in relation to how best to utilise the field to have the greatest impact on biodiversity and reducing the towns carbon footprint.

(e) To recommend to Full Council that the Terms of Reference for the Environment and Open Spaces Committee should be amended to include having responsibility for the oversight of the management of land for which the Town Council is responsible either directly through ownership or through some other agreement that the Town Council may enter in to.

At this point Councillor Lithgow had to leave the meeting and Councillor Stock-Williams assumed the Chair

**480 Proposal for the Use of Community Infrastructure Levy**

Councillors Govier and Thorne outlined discussion they had been having with St Johns School about the need for toilet/changing facilities at its playing field which is some distance from the school. The school had said it would be happy for other groups, for example the football club, to make use of the field so there would be wider community use.

The Committee agreed that in principle the proposal was something that it would wish to support and recommend funding through the Council's CIL Budget but that more detail was needed before a formal recommendation could be made and Councillor Govier agreed to have further discussions with the school.

**481 Town Council Work Plan**

The updated Work Plan had been circulated with the agenda and was noted.

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.00pm**

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**Councillor Mark Lithgow**  
**Chairman**