

## **Romsey Town Council**

Town Hall  
1, Market Place  
Romsey  
SO51 8YZ

### **FULL COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes of the Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019

**In the Chair: Councillor D. Baverstock**

#### **Attendance:**

P Councillor N. Bailey	A Councillor K. Dunleavey
P Councillor P. Hurst	P Councillor M. Greggains
P Councillor J. Burnage	P Councillor I. Hibberd
P Councillor M. Bramley	A Councillor N. Nicholson
P Councillor J. Burgess	P Councillor J. Parker
P Councillor D. Baverstock	A Councillor J. Ray
P Councillor M. Cooper	P Councillor N. Michell
P Councillor M. Curtis	

**Clerk:** Judith Giles

**Public:** 1

#### **1. PRAYERS**

Prayers were led by Cllr. M. Curtis

#### **2. APOLOGIES**

Apologies received from Cllr. N. Nicholson, Cllr. K. Dunleavey and Cllr. J. Ray

#### **3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

#### **4. MINUTES**

- i) The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018 were duly confirmed and signed

**PROPOSED: Cllr. M. Curtis**

**SECONDED: Cllr. M. Cooper**

**CARRIED**

**Matters Arising**

None

#### **RESOLUTION NO.**

It was **RESOLVED** to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation

**PROPOSED: Cllr. M. Curtis**

**SECONDED: Cllr. J. Parker**

**CARRIED**

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 7.35P.M.**

**To receive formal presentations from individuals or organisations which are an identified agenda item:** Inspector Chris Taylor – Hampshire Police

Inspector Chris Taylor presented a police report for the Romsey area. He said the police working in conjunction with the Romsey Security organised by Test Valley Borough Councillors Dorothy Baverstock and John Ray over the Christmas period in the town centre had been a success. It was reported the public felt safer with the security guards in the town. Cllr. D. Baverstock thanked Inspector Chris Taylor for his support regarding this initiative. Inspector Taylor reported there has been a 11% reduction in shoplifting crime in the town, however overall crime in the area has risen by 9%. He said he was hopeful of acquiring more PCSOs.

**To receive verbal reports from Borough and County Councillors of what has been happening at Borough and County level which is of interest to Romsey Town Councillors**

**TVBC Report**

**HCC Report**

Cllr. M. Cooper reported Romsey Future is progressing well. He also reported the lack of parking places in the town centre due to the refurbishment of the Market Place has been compensated for by TVBC arranging for hour free parking for 29 vehicles in Lortemore Car Park whilst the work is being carried out. There will be a press release in the Romsey Advertiser on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

**TVBC Report**

None

**Questions from members of the public to Borough Councillors**

None

**Questions from members of the public to the County Councillor**

A member of the public asked if a decision has yet been made regarding more signage at the low bridges in Romsey to alert drivers of the height restrictions. Cllr. M. Cooper said he had not heard anything to date, however is going to suggest to HCC infra-red flashing lights maybe a good idea.

**Questions from Town Councillors to Borough Councillors**

None

**Questions from Town Councillors to County Councillor**

Cllr. J. Parker asked Cllr. M. Cooper if the work to be carried out on the Causeway by the Environment Agency requires planning permission. Cllr. M. Cooper confirmed the work is part of the Flood Scheme commencing March 2019 and does not require planning permission as it will be carried out under permitted development. Cllr. J. Burgess and Cllr. P. Hurst expressed their concern regarding the traffic lights at the Braishfield Road/Winchester Road junction. They said they find them confusing. Cllr. M. Cooper said to date there has not been any reported accidents, however he will ask HCC to review. Cllr. M. Bramley reported a dangerous pothole is located on the corner of Latimer Street/The Hundred. Cllr. M. Cooper said he will report on HCC website [www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/potholes](http://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/potholes)

**RE-ADJOURN 8.15PM**

**5. PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Cllr. J. Parker proposed that the Full Council accept the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018, 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018 and 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019(draft)

**PROPOSED:** Cllr. J. Parker

**SECONDED:** Cllr. M. Curtis

**CARRIED**

- 6. BUILDING AND TOWN COMMITTEE**  
Cllr. M. Curtis proposed that the Full Council accept the minutes of the Building and Town Committee meetings held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018 and 18<sup>th</sup> December 2018 (draft)  
**PROPOSED:** Cllr. M. Curtis  
**SECONDED:** Cllr. M. Bramley  
**CARRIED**
- 7. FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**  
Cllr. D. Baverstock proposed that the Full Council accept the minutes of the Finance & Resources Committee meetings held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018(draft)  
**PROPOSED:** Cllr. D. Baverstock  
**SECONDED:** Cllr. M. Curtis  
**CARRIED**
- 8. ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE**  
Cllr. M. Curtis proposed that the Full Council accept the minutes of the Allotments Committee meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
**PROPOSED:** Cllr. M. Curtis  
**SECONDED:** Cllr. P. Hurst  
**CARRIED**
- 9. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN JOINT COMMITTEE**  
None received
- 10. CORRESPONDENCE**  
None received
- 11. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS ATTENDING MEETINGS OF EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS**  
Cllr. J. Burnage – Romsey Future Cycling, Walking & Public Transport Group, Romsey Future  
Cllr. J. Parker – Romsey Future, Workstream Leads Meeting, Rotary Community Group, King John's House Trustees Meeting, Romsey Retail Forum  
Cllr. N. Bailey – South Town Centre Seminar  
Cllr. M. Greggains – Bartletts Almshouses  
Cllr. I. Hibberd – Romsey Future, South Town Centre Seminar  
Cllr. D. Baverstock - Romsey Future, Tourism Meeting
- 12. MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
The Mayor congratulated the Town Hall staff involved in the success of the Christmas Lights. Feedback from the public is they thought the new Christmas Lights were excellent. The Mayor is having a concert in the Abbey "New Beginnings" on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 and invited Councillors and the public to attend. TVBC is going to be designated a Borough of Culture in 2020.

**Meeting closed at 8.30p.m.**

**Next meeting 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

