

Minutes of the Meeting of  
**HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
held on  
**14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2019**

**PRESENT:** Chair: Councillor George Hardcastle

Councillors: Ve Amos, Joyce Angell, Janet Axworthy, Helen Brown, Clive Carver, Cheryl Carver, Sarah Hinks, Dave Mackie, Ryan O’Gorman, Emma Preece, Darren Sterry, Sam Swash and Richard Taylor

Officers: Mrs S G Jones, Clerk & Financial Officer  
Fran Griffiths, Administrator

**155/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Gillian Brockley, Bob Connah, Lowri Earith, Dan Preece, Ralph Small and Ant Turton.

**156/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

There were none.

**157/19 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**158/19 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

There were no matters arising.

**159/19 MINUTES OF COMMITTEES:**

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meetings of the following Committees held on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 be received:

Staff & General Purposes Committee  
Community Amenities Committee  
Planning Committee  
Finance Committee

**160/19 ANNUAL AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019:**

The Clerk had circulated a copy of the Annual Return following completion of the Audit by the Council’s External Auditor and sought Member approval and acceptance of the Annual Return.

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A copy of the Issues Report had also been circulated for implementation.

IT WAS RESOLVED:

- i) That the Annual Report be approved and accepted; and
- ii) The issues report be actioned accordingly, noting that the Council had considered and approved Terms of Reference for each of its Committees in September 2019.

**161/19 REQUEST FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> HAWARDEN SCOUT GROUP:**

The Clerk and Financial Officer confirmed that approval to fell the horse chestnut tree outside the Scout Hut had been received and that this would be undertaken in due course, subject to written confirmation from Stuart Body that an ecological survey would not be required.

In relation to the request to lease additional land, the Clerk and Financial Officer had written to the Charity Commission for clarification and a reply had been awaited.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

**162/19 CHAIR'S REMARKS:**

Councillor George Hardcastle reported that he had attended the following events:

- i) 17<sup>th</sup> August 2019: he had laid a wreath at a special service organised by Connah's Quay and Shotton Interservices Committee to commemorate 75 years of D Day;
- ii) Together with the Clerk and Financial Officer and other members, he had attended the Hawarden High School Awards Presentation evening at Beaufort Park Hotel. Awards had been presented by Councillor Dave Mackie as Chair of the Community Committee and the event had been hosted by the Chair of Governors, Councillor Joyce Angell, the Head Teacher and other teaching staff. The event had been a pleasure to attend and very successful.
- iii) He had recently hosted the County Forum meeting, together with the Clerk and Financial Officer, at the Scout Hut Headquarters on 7<sup>th</sup> October. The Clerk and Financial Officer would provide a briefing note for members in due course. During the evening Steven O. Jones had confirmed that the deadline for expressions of interest in relation to enhanced enforcement had been extended until the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020.

41 Chair's signature: \_\_\_\_\_