



Meeting (No) **PLACES COMMITTEE (9)**
Time & Date **6pm 26 March 2019**
Place **Town Hall**
Document **Minutes**

Present: Cllrs Roberts, Edwards, Griffiths and Kynaston.

In attendance: Miss A Duncan (Governance & Operations Manager).

PART 1: Items considered in the presence of the press and public

96 Questions and comments from residents: none.

97 Apologies for absence

RESOLVED to accept apologies for absence from Cllr Wastell (personal).

98 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

99 Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED to approve minutes of the meeting held on 26.02.19. The Chair signed the minutes.

100 Governance & Operations Manager's report

The Committee considered the report and noted that the restored bench (minute 95) had been installed in the grounds of St Mary's & St Helen's Church.

101 Committee budget

Budgets and earmarked reserves were considered. No actions were taken.

102 Strategic objectives

- a Committee objectives were considered and the rating for "facilitate the monitoring of the NNP" was updated to amber.

103 Planning applications

The Committee considered application [19/00525/FUL](#) – land at Boathouse Lane, Parkgate (erection of one dwelling (partly submerged) with associated landscaping & car parking, along with the addition of land available for community use).

RESOLVED to submit the comment that:

"Neston Town Council objects to this application on the grounds that it sets a precedent for development on greenbelt land and contravenes the Neston Neighbourhood Plan (Policy NNH1)."

104 Best Kept Village Competition 2019

RESOLVED to approve entry fees of £120 for Neston/Little Neston and Parkgate competition entries in conjunction with Neston Civic Society and Parkgate Society respectively. Budget line 4335 Community Pride.

105 Transport Working Group

- a The Committee considered notes of the meeting held on 15.03.19.

Chairman's initials and date:

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The Committee agreed in principle with the Group's recommendation that there should be dialogue with CWaC about a car parking strategy in advance of the introduction of a half-hourly rail service. It was decided that this should be progressed in the new council year.

The Committee noted that the issue of travel costs for Neston commuters using the Mersey Tunnel was outside the Transport Working Group's current terms of reference.

- b The Committee approved the updated current status of the Transport Standard monitoring.

106 Neston Looking Better Group

- a Meeting notes of 13.04.19 were considered.
- b It was agreed that advice should be sought from the greening contractor about logistics, costs and possible locations for large-scale bulb planting. It was also agreed to investigate options for reduced pollen bulbs.

107 Contract for the provision & maintenance of floral arrangements

- a **RESOLVED** to approve continuation of contract with current contractor from 01.10.19 for a three year period (19/20 price as 18/19; 20/21 2% increase; 21/22 price as 20/21).

Contract to be approved at the next Places meeting.

- b Possible options for greening improvements currently being discussed with the contractor and CWaC. It was agreed that any suggested improvements with a cost implication would be considered by Committee.

108 Neston Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Group

The Committee considered the Council Manager's report and recommendations and agreed that:

- a) Following the receipt of the Cheshire Community Action (CCA) report, subject to CCA approval, the Council Manager should facilitate meetings between the Council members, CCA and the NNPMG members.
- b) The Places committee recommend to the Annual Meeting of the Council to select how many council members they wish to attend at the CCA meeting and to nominate of those members at the AMC.

109 Other items

The Chair thanked the G&O Manager for her work and support throughout the council year and also thanked all committee members for their time, discussion and contributions throughout the council year.

110 Next scheduled meeting

To be agreed at the Annual meeting of the Council on 21.05.19.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.

Signed _____



Date _____

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