

At the **MEETING** of the **DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL** held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Dorchester on Tuesday, 29th March, 2011:

PRESENT The Mayor (Councillor L.M. Phillips) in the Chair.

Councillors D.J. Barrett, C.S. Biggs, R.M. Biggs, V. Black, A.J. Canning, A. Harries, T.C.N. Harries, L.E. Heath, C.M. Hebditch, S.C. Hosford, T. James, E.S. Jones, Trevor Jones, F.E. Kent-Ledger, A.J. Lyall, P.G. Mann, R.B. Potter and M.E. Rennie.

In attendance:

Inspector L. Fry, Dorset Police

Reverend V. Thurtell, Mayor's Chaplain

59. **PRAYERS**

The Mayor's Chaplain opened the Meeting with a short prayer.

60. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 25th January, 2011, copies of which had been circulated to all Members of the Council, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record.

Minute 54 – Planning and Environment Committee – 4th January, 2011 – In response to a question the Town Clerk informed Members that a meeting had now taken place with officers from West Dorset District Council and Dorset County Council regarding winter maintenance and that a plan for a co-ordinated approach to the matter was in the course of preparation.

61. **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Mayor expressed his thanks to to his fellow Councillors and to all the Town Council staff for all their support, help and hard work over the previous year.

One Member drew the Council's attention to a proposed march through the town on Saturday, 2nd April, 2011 regarding the proposed development of new Council Offices which would face on to South Walks. It was proposed that a tracked vehicle would be used as a part of the march and concern was expressed regarding the significant amount of pollution caused by such vehicles. It was noted however that the vehicle would be delivered by lorry and would remain stationary.

62. **QUESTIONS**

No questions had been received in accordance with Standing Order 12(3).

63. **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – 7th FEBRUARY, 2011**

It was proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 7th February, 2011 be adopted.

Minute 54 – Local Air Quality Management – Air Quality Action Plan – Dorchester – In response to a question it was reported that West Dorset District Council's Executive Committee, at its next meeting, would be considering whether to open discussions with Dorset County Council in respect of forward-funding an acceleration of the implementation of the Dorchester Transport and Environment Plan.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 7th February, 2011 be adopted.

64. **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – 7th MARCH, 2011**

It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 7th March, 2011 be adopted.

65. **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – 15th MARCH, 2011**

It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Management Committee held on 15th March, 2011 be adopted.

(Councillor C.M. Hebditch declared a personal interest in respect of Minute No.61 of the Management Committee Minutes as her partner was involved in the 2011 Summer Saturday Live Programme.)

66. **MAYORAL SELECTION COMMITTEE – 22nd MARCH, 2011**

It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Mayoral Selection Committee held on 22nd March, 2011 be adopted.

67. **POLICY COMMITTEE – 22nd MARCH, 2011**

It was proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the Policy Committee held on 22nd March, 2011 be adopted.

Minute 52 – Standing Orders Etc – Review – Arising from this minute the Chairman of the Policy Committee informed Members that significant sponsorship towards the Council's event to celebrate the forthcoming Royal Wedding had been received in equal

amounts from the Duchy of Cornwall and Brewery Square. The Chairman of the Community Activities Panel also reported that a meeting of the Panel was to be held at 4.15pm on Monday, 11th April, 2011 at Maumbury Rings to finalise arrangements for the event.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Policy Committee held on 22nd March, 2011 be adopted.

68. **POLICE MATTERS**

Inspector Fry updated the Council on the crime statistics for Dorchester for the previous two months. He also reported on the recent spate of arson attacks in the town and on the assault which had occurred at Fordington Green on Saturday, 26th March.

The Council rose at 7.19pm.

Mayor