

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON
18th NOVEMBER 2021**

Present: Councillors, Sarah Boad (Chair), Alan Boad, Will Bryce, Mubarik Chowdry, Judith Clarke, Bill Gifford, Louisa Radice and Susan Rasmussen.

Officers: Stephen Marks, Town Clerk

47. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr J McGhee.

48. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Gifford declared a non pecuniary as a member of Warwickshire County Council and Warwick District Council.

Councillor A Boad declared a non pecuniary interest as a member of WDC.

49. Public Forum

There were no representations from members of the public.

50. Minutes

Resolved that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 07th October (Report No.4) are confirmed as a correct record.

51. Matters Arising from the Minutes

It was noted that Warwick District Council would make a decision on its approach to managing Tennis Facilities at a meeting in December.

One world link – Town Clerk to contact the group.

All saints Regeneration Project – Town Clerk had contacted the group and would provide a letter of support.

52. Projects / Street Dressing

Rose Winship, Head of Leisure, Tourism and Culture at Warwick District Council attended to discuss proposals for Street Dressing associated with the Commonwealth Games in 2022.

As the official Commonwealth Games street dressing materials were currently still confidential, it was **Resolved**

“That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (commercially confidential information), it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the meeting and they are instructed to withdraw”.

The Town Council considered the options for street dressing of Leamington Spa during the Commonwealth Games.

It was noted that the Commonwealth Games organisers would dress Victoria Park and WDC would dress various locations including the route from the station to the venue, the Live Site / fan zone at the Pump Room Gardens and some entrance points to the town. The Town Council was being asked to contribute to additional street dressing in the Town Centre.

Resolved

i) That Town Council representatives (one Cllr from each group subject to availability) meet with WDC officers to discuss possible street dressing options / locations.

ii) That the matter of a financial contribution be considered further at the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee in December.

Resolved

That the press and public be re-admitted to the meeting.

53. Allotments

The Committee considered report number 7 regarding the provision of grants to allotments societies, following the meeting of the Allotments Sub Committee on 18th October 2021.

Resolved

- i) That grants are awarded to the allotments societies as recommended by the allotments sub-committee:
 - Binswood Allotment Society £1,500 – for butterfly garden and water troughs.
 - Campion Hills Allotments - £2000 – towards improved paths and tracks, subject to confirmation of appropriate permissions for the work if required.
 - Cliffe Allotments - £250 – for equipment purchase (rotary mower)
 - Old Milverton Allotments - £816 – for perimeter hedge cutting.
- ii) That the remaining funding of £1,234 be awarded (split equally) amongst the four allotments societies to be used for purchasing of composting bins or equivalent, subject to them confirming they can make use of this funding for this purpose.
- iii) That the arrangements and procedures related to grants to allotment societies are amended as described in section 4 of the report.

