



NEWPORT (Shropshire) TOWN COUNCIL

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**MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF
THE COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE
held on
Wednesday 19th September 2018
at
The Guildhall, High Street, Newport**

PRESENT Cllrs: Tony Forrester – Chairman
Graham Foster
Thomas Janke – Deputy Chairman
Tim Nelson
Phil Norton

IN ATTENDANCE: Sheila Atkinson– Town Clerk (*interim*)
Matthew Powell– T&W Council Highways Dept
Peter Scott – ex officio
Nigel Borrett – non-voting member (in part)

CS/14/18-19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - none received.

CS/15/18-19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – there were no declarations of interest.

CS/16/18-19 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 20th June 2018 were accepted as a true record and duly signed by Cllr Forrester.

CS/17/18-19 PUBLIC SESSION

Members **RESOLVED** to suspend the meeting to take comments from the **Public**

Name	Mr & Mrs Hanley – Audley House Mews
Subject	Parking on Pavements and disregarding double yellow line restrictions.
Summary	<p>Matters raised by Mr & Mrs Hanley regarding their frustration with continued inconsiderate parking on the public walkway in Audley Avenue and on Station Road, which raises concerns on the subject of accessibility for pedestrian use on pavements, especially in their neighbourhood which although addressed previously, still continues, neither the police or council appear to care or provide a solution.</p> <p>Members articulated that there is currently a Parking Strategy Consultation being carried out by Telford & Wrekin on Civil Parking Enforcement, which if implemented would give the local authority more powers to control parking issues.</p>

	Members encouraged the couple to complete the survey and inform their friends and neighbour to get involved with the survey and support the implementation of CPE by the Borough.
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There being no other members of the public present wishing to raise comments, **Members RESOLVED to continue the meeting.**

CS/18/18-19 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Members welcomed Mr Matthew Powell from Telford & Wrekin Council Highways department and received updates regarding the Highway improvements and progression of the new work proposals to be implemented with the Enterprise & Innovation Park funding. 5 scheme projects are currently being pursued and/or undergoing public consultation with an anticipation to be delivered within this financial year, subject to confirmation of Traffic Regulation Legal Orders being obtained:

- 20 mph zone Boughey Road/Wellington Road
- 30 mph speed restrictions
- Station Road Crossing
- Chetwynd Road Crossing –*included as an additional scheme, and a very necessary need.*
- Pave Lane - HGV restrictions – *Members conceded that although Pave Lane is not in Newport this scheme it is very much aligned and adjacent to NI Park development with the associated impact of development.*

CS/19/18-19 Shropshire-wide 20 mph zone

Members noted receipt of a copy of the Shropshire-Wide 20mph Campaign correspondence. They concurred that the initiative is worthwhile, however, not enforceable or practical in all areas.

Members were advised that Telford & Wrekin will consider requests on a “case by case” scenario for implementation of 20mph zones.

Members **RESOLVED providing the warning signage “20’s plenty” in the vicinity of all schools in Newport, as discussed during the debate on signage with TWC Highways Officer Matt Powell.**

CS/20/18-19 Newport Public Car Parks

Following lengthy discussion and deliberation on the long-term implication of changes to the public car parking facility in Newport –

issues in regard to disabled parking bays, duration of time restrictions, impact on business, viability of the High Street, and which preferred car park for try out (Stafford Street or New Street):-

Members **RESOLVED to proceed with the designation and implementation of Stafford Street car park as division into short stay and long stay, controlled and modelled on a similar scheme to the town of Wellington, with free parking meters.**

Members noted that the 6% requirement for provision of disabled parking will be retained and distributed across the whole site, and that the short stay is recommended as maximum 3 hours.

Members will liaise with local interested parties and community groups; *NRP, Chamber of Commerce, Town Team*, in the form of a working group to provide communication and delivery.

CS/21/18-19 Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs)

Cllr Forrester briefed members on his recent driver experience whilst travelling throughout the country, on the positive impact of permanent SIDs on the approaches into towns and villages. Following discussion, TWC Highways Officer Matthew Powell, indicated his willingness support with costings and a view to providing SIDs on the gateway approaches to town.

Members **RESOLVED to provide permanent linked, wired and powered by mains electricity, Speed Indicator Devices on gateways and arterial routes in the following 5 locations:**

- **Station Road**
- **Stafford Road**
- **Wellington Road**
- **Chetwyn Road**
- **Forton Road**

Clerk's Note: Clarity is necessary to identify if this is to be funded by NI Park funding or NTC budget funding.

CS/22/18-19 Civil Parking Enforcement – CPE

Members welcomed the Telford & Wrekin Council's CPE Consultation, expressing their whole hearted support for the transfer of powers from the West Mercia Police to the Borough Council for Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) on roads, pavements and in council owned car parks.

Members delegated responsibility to the Clerk to complete the questionnaire using the robust opinions and sentiments previously used by this council for the Borough to take responsibility for Civil Parking Enforcement.

Members will encourage, promote and share with their electorate, the online consultation, which runs from Monday 17th September over a four-week period ending on Sunday 14th October.

CS/23/18-19 COMMITTEE FINANCES

Members noted a copy of the community safety income and expenditure report.

CS/24/18-19 DEFIBRILLATOR LOCATION SIGNS

Members **RESOLVED** a new budget line for provision of an information board with map / list of the defibrillators for public use in Newport.

Cllr Foster and Cllr Nelson will explore the design, functionality and associated cost of providing an information display board, with similar specification to the recently installed model on the canal tow path, to provide, highlight and inform visitors to the town and members of the public, the location giving an indication of the whereabouts of defibrillators in Newport.

Members suggest an ideal site for location would be in the vicinity or within an area of the Town Council owned Public Toilets.

CS/25/18-19 NTC OWNED SIDs

Members received a report on Newport Town Council owned Speed Indicator Devices which included an update on the Sid's Project, malfunctions and linked problems also acknowledge recent speed data analysis.

CS/26/18-19 SMART WATER

Cllr Nelson gave members an update on the progress of the roll out of smart water to date; he thanked his fellow colleagues, and especially the "volunteers" for their valuable support with the delivery and registration of the kits. Feedback is positive and the Police attendance and help with facilitation has been very beneficial in providing public assurance.

Further registration event have been arranged. The PCSO will be in Waitrose on Saturday 22nd and 29th September and Cllrs Nelson and Perry will be distributing and registering kits at the Kings Head public house on Thursday 27th September. Wrekin Housing Trust residents will have the opportunity to obtain and register kits from their dedicated PCSO.

Each session is averaging registration of 40 kits. 1,266 kits need to be registered (40% of the electorate of Newport) to reach the threshold for additional funding from the West Mercia PCC in the form of signage, and additional kits from Telford & Wrekin Policing team.

There is to be an official and formal launch and endorsement of the Newport Smart Water Initiative by the Police & Crime Commissioner and a senior Police Officer in the near future.

CS/27/18-19 TOWN COUNCIL OWNED GRIT BINS

Members noted receipt of information regarding the Town Council owned grit bin, refill, charges and the installation of an additional new bin on Vauxhall Crescent due to be installed sometime during the autumn.

CS/28/18-19 FOOTWAY LIGHTING

Members noted receipt of a routine report, and welcomed the installation of the new light on Springfield Avenue walkway.

CS/29/18-19 PUBLIC TOILETS

Members noted receipt of a routine report.

CS/30/18-19 CCTV – UPGRADE

There were no updates given.

CS/31/18-19 INTEGRATED COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT (ICM)

Members received an update and evaluation of the progression of the programme in the form of a written statement by the Clerk, which will be utilised to provide feedback, monitoring and evaluation of the project to involved parties.

Signed.....

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