



Ashburton Town Council

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 7.30PM IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE TOWN HALL**

Present: Cllrs Baker, Parker-Khan, Irens, Vogel, Dennis, Ashford, Nutley, Giles

In attendance: The deputy clerk

055/17GP Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Brewer who was on annual leave and Cllr Slater due to work commitments. Cllr Parker-Khan proposed acceptance of these apologies, this was seconded by Cllr Giles. All in favour.

056/17GP Public comments/statements. The public may speak for a maximum of 10 minutes on items on the agenda or items that may be considered for a future agenda at the chairman's discretion.

No Public Statements

057/17GP Declarations of interest. To receive any declarations of interest on items on the agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

058/17GP Minutes of the previous meeting of 21 June 2017

These were signed by the chairman as a true record.

059/17GP Matters arising from the previous minutes of 21 June 2017

There were no matters raised.

060/17GP Stapledon Lane Youth Club, report from the clerk on the current situation

The clerk had sent an email to councillors, which stated:

The Issue of no.6 Stapledon Lane, Ashburton youth club has once again raised its head. When a gas bill for the youth club was incorrectly delivered to the BYP.

I have spoken to both Mr Poole and Mr Posner, and I am now in possession of a file from the youth club that covers the time when 6 Stapledon Lane was "Sold" to the youth club. From the information given to me I was able to talk to Sawdye and Harris who were the agents who dealt with the collecting of rent for the owner of the building. They

were kind enough to find a file from 1977 that shows the negotiations' for the sale of the building to the youth club.

At this point I have drawn a blank except the annual accounts from December 1979 show a payment for £725 for purchase of property. The next step that I am proposing is to take advantage of the Free legal surgery in the Town hall from Kitsons Solicitors and ask what steps we need to take to register the building as belonging to the youth club.

I have booked a surgery for the 4th of October at 2pm and Chris Northway is kindly going to see the solicitor on our behalf.

The clerk stated that Phil Poole is the only official trustee. Cllr Parker-Khan stated that he is happy to pass it over to someone else.

061/17GP Discussion about a town warden and if there is a need for this position

The clerk was requested to cost this for say 5, 10, 15 hours per week.

062/17GP Letter to be written to residents that came together and cleaned up church path

The clerk was requested to send a letter to residents thanking them.

063/17GP Organise a town litter pick

It was proposed by Cllr Parker-Khan that this be done on 15 October. That the town council request from TDC use of equipment. That the town council offer tea, coffee etc to volunteers.

064/17GP Update on four brick crossings to be replaced in Ashburton

These would be replaced with Tarmac and a buff colouring.

065/17GP Correspondence

- i. Letter received from the Brick House regarding gas works compensation. Noted.
- ii. Letter received by resident about the water running across the pavement at Ashburn Close. Cllr Parker-Khan will contact the resident.

066/17GP Matters raised by councillors for information only or possible inclusion on a future agenda.

- Cllr Irens stated that there is an open day at Sands School on Saturday.
- The deputy clerk stated that the office would be closed on 3 & 4 October.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

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CHAIRMAN