

## ANNUAL PARISH (TOWN) MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019

Matters raised, affirmatively voted upon by the Parish seeking action / comment by Halewood Town Council

ISSUE	NOTES
<p>1. A resident referenced a problem with 'bees' at her KHT property and sought assistance in identifying help to deal with the matter.</p>	<p>The Chair asked the resident to speak to him after the meeting but having left before the end no contact was made.</p>
<p>2. A resident requested the Town Council's help in making sure that the township receives benefit from the Government Grant obtained by the City Region Mayor, Steve Rotheram, to enhance training and skills particularly in our young people.</p>	<p>Details were provided by the Chair at the meeting.  Additionally, following previous referenced at a Town Council meeting, the Town Manager has written twice to Steve Rotheram regarding the matter.</p>
<p>3. A resident repeated previous requests that the Town Council consider laying a white poppy as a symbol of peace at the Remembrance Day Service.</p>	<p>The Chair indicated that this can be progressed and taken forward.</p>
<p>4. A resident, reading from a prepared script raised the following matter:</p> <p>a. 'the code of conduct for Local Government under Local Government Act 1972 – section 4 being breached on several occasions before 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019 by both the Labour councillors and the outgoing Town Council Manager'.</p>	<p>a. The requirement for the TC to adopt a Members' Code of Conduct is enshrined in Part 1 Chapter 1 Sections 27 and 28 of the Localism Act 2011. The reference to the LGA 1972 section 4 is not understood; section 4 cannot be found in the Act. The Members' Code of Conduct applies only to elected and co-opted Members, not to Town Council staff and the reference to 'the outgoing town manager' is also not understood.</p>

Breaches identified as follows:

- b. Petition given to the council with regards to the selling off of public open spaces in Halewood. What has the council done about the petition?
  
- c. Questions raised by the public and not responded to within 7 days and in writing.
  
- d. Section 106 money e.g. Arncliffe Community Centre refurbishment of car park and Holy Family parking facilities transferred to the Okell Ranger Station.
  
- e. Request for Halewood Town Council to produce a Neighbourhood Plan.

- b. The petition in question was considered by the Town Council at the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at which Members resolved 'that pending the meeting with KMBC, this matter be considered at the future meeting of the Town Council' (minute 70 (b)).

The matter was further considered at the Extraordinary Town Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at which Members resolved 'to endorse the petition and that the wheels be set in motion with immediate effect to start work on a Neighbourhood Plan for Halewood' (minute 13 refers).

- c. Further information is required on specific instances.
  
- d. KMBC have advised that the application of Section 106 Developer Contributions is the subject of discussions with (KMBC) Ward Councillors in the affected area and the appropriate Cabinet Member.
  
- e. This matter has been considered by the Town Council on six occasions: 16<sup>th</sup> Sept and 20<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2014, 15<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2016, 19<sup>th</sup> Jan. and 20<sup>th</sup> Apr. 2017, on 17<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2018 and finally at the Extraordinary Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019. See the response at b. above.

<p>f. Request by the public for Halewood Town Council Public forums to take place several times a year.</p> <p>g. Community Use of buildings and land with free use.</p>	<p>f. The matter was lastly considered at the Extraordinary Town Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at which Members resolved 'that work commence on establishing 'Open Forums'' (minute 17 refers)</p> <p>g. The matter was lastly considered at the Extraordinary Town Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at which Members resolved 'that steps be taken with immediate effect to identify and develop time periods when Town Council centres can be used further by the community free of charge.' (Minute 16 refers).</p>
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