**HALEWOOD TOWN COUNCIL**

At a Meeting of the Town Council held on Thursday, 16th September 2021 (7.00 pm), at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre, the following Members were:-

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS

Cllr. B. Dunn (Deputy Mayor/Chairperson)

Cllr. B. Swann Cllr. Y. Graves

 Cllr. T. Lucock Cllr. A. Hesford

 Cllr. F. Martin

**Also in attendance:-**

G. Allen - Town Manager.

S Edwardson – Democratic Services and Administration Officer.

Members of the Public - 4

**33. APOLOGIES.**

 The following Councillors gave their apologies.

 Cllr. K. Dalton, Cllr. S. Harvey, Cllr. C. Rose and Cllr. D. Samuels.

**34. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**

None.

**35. PUBLIC FORUM.**

The Deputy Chair, Cllr. B. Dunn read a letter to the members, that she had received from a Resident of Halewood, informing the Council that the time that was spent at ‘The Summer of Activities’ at the Arncliffe Centre, was overwhelming for her and her two children who were encouraged to engage with the activities. It was an excellent four weeks which they thoroughly enjoyed and brought them together as a family. Thanks to you all.

There were four Residents that wished to ask a question at the meeting of the Council.

 **Gerry Tyrell.**

 Mr Tyrell asked a question about the Bus Service. He stated that service has further deteriorated And asked if anything has been done since he stood in front of the Council last month?

The Town Manager, responded to Mr Tyrell that the Council had written to the Metro Mayor with a few dates when we have Town Council Meetings, to set up a meeting with him or his representative.

**Cllr Joanne Harvey.**

Responded to Mr Tyrells question and updated about up-to-date information she had received regarding challenges to the bus service.

**Ms Dawn Corrie.**

Ms Corrie, asked a question about the lighting on the Torrington Drive back field,

Doorstep Green.

Cllr. B Dunn, responded to Ms Corrie and informed her that she would like to write to Ms Corrie officially, as the Town Council would need to discuss this.

The Deputy Chair gave permission for Ms Corrie to ask a second question.

Ms Corrie asked about the Co-option on the Town Council. Ms. Corrie was advised that co-option was on the agenda for this evening’s meeting.

**Mr Joe McGuinness.**

Mr. McGuinness asked a question on the information that the Town Manager had emailed about the charges and policy for all football teams that use the Town Council playing field.

The Town Manager replied to Mr. McGuinness and advised him that there will be other follow-up meetings arranged with his team and all other football organisations.

**36. MINUTES.**

It was **moved** by Cllr. B. Swann, **seconded** by Cllr. T. Lucock and,

**RESOLVED** that,

1. The minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 12th August 2021, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Deputy Mayor.

**37. ANNOUNCMENTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER.**

The Town Manager gave a verbal update on the following items, for information only.

1. Covid-19
2. Staffing
3. Arncliffe Centre Refurbishment
4. Neighbourhood Plan Consultant
5. Neighbourhood Plan Event
6. Memory Lane
7. Remembrance Sunday 2021
8. Terms and Conditions of Hiring Town Council Venue’s
9. ‘Plus Dane’ Housing Development
10. Community Recognition Awards
11. Town Council Insurance Claim
12. Imminent Meetings

The Town Manager advised Councillors that the 2021 Annual Christmas Concert is under review due to the challenges of holding the event in a school-based indoor venue so close to winter.

**RESOLVED:**- That,

1. The report be noted.

**38. UPDATE FROM COUNCIL LEADER.**

The Council Leader, Cllr. B. Swann gave a verbal report on two issues appertaining to the Council, for information only.

* Halewood in Bloom.
* Finch Farm Planning Application.

**RESOLVED:-** That,

1. The report be noted.

**39. FESTIVE LIGHTING.**

Members received a report from the Town Manager requesting approval of a new organisation to deliver the Festive Lighting contract for Halewood Town Council.

It was **moved** by Cllr. B. Swann, **seconded** by Cllr. Y. Graves and,

**RESOLVED** that,

1. The report be noted.
2. That approval be granted, as recommend by the Festive Lighting interview panel, to appoint the provider ‘Blachere’ for the Festive Lighting contract for 2021-24.

**40. CO-OPTION.**

The Town Manager presented a report requesting direction from Councillors for the Co-Option of residents into Councillor Vacancies.

There was a discussion between members. In supporting the recommendations of the Town Manager, Cllr. B. Swann advised members that they should follow the co-option process and asked the Town Manager to add the Co-option on the Agenda at the next meeting of 21st November 2021, which should include a proposed date for a co-option special meeting and details of the recruitment process.

It was **moved** by Cllr. B. Swann, **seconded** by Cllr. Y. Graves and,

**RESOLVED** that,

1. The report be noted.
2. That approval be given to commence the process to fill the two vacancies for members, one in each of the Halewood North and South Wards.

**41. SPORTS ACTIVITIES ON TOWN COUNCIL LAND AND PREMISES.**

A report was received from the Town Manager, updating Members on the recent meetings and negotiations with sports organisations utilising Town Council Land and premises.

There was a short discussion between members about developing a specific new policy on Charging for Town Council Land, that was omitted from the Agenda.

It was **moved** by Cllr. B. Swann, **seconded** by Cllr. A. Hesford and,

**RESOLVED** that,

1. The report be noted.
2. Approval for the new policy on charging for Town Council land by football and other sports-based organisations, to be developed.
3. Approval be given for the new agreement for use by sports organisations.
4. Approval be given for the new arrangements for the ‘Merseyside and Halewood Junior Football League’ and ‘Halewood Summer League’
5. Approval be given to discharge use of the office in the Sports Block of the Arncliffe Centre, from the football associations back to the Town Council.
6. Approval be given for the new arrangements for the use of a vacant field by ‘Apollo Athletics’.
7. Approval be given for the new arrangements for the use of Frederick Lunt Playing Field by ‘Platinum Sports’.
8. Approval be given for the ongoing discussions and negotiations with Kingsthorne Juniors regarding their use of the Hollies Field and interest in Doorstep Green.
9. Approval be given for the changes for the use of Hollies Hall by the Indoor Bowls League.

**42. REQUESTS FOR CONCESSIONARY USE.**

This report outlines for Members’ attention, applications for concessionary or free use of the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre and Hollies Hall.

It was **moved** by Cllr. Y. Graves, **seconded** by Cllr. A. Hesford and,

**RESOLVED:-** that,

Free use be given to Elite Ju-Jutsu for an event on Saturday 25th September 2021 at the Arncliffe Centre, at the full hire cost of £75.00.

**43. REPORTS FROM CONFERENCE/REPRESENTATIVE BODIES**

 None

**44. CORRESPONDENCE.**

1. Planning Applications.

The following Planning Applications were considered.

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| Application No | Applicant | Location | Comments |
| 21/00542/FUL | Mr Michal Dorsz | 6 Kingham Mews, Halewood, Liverpool | None |
| 21/00549/CLD | ABC Taxis NW Ltd | 14 Poplar Close, Halewood, Liverpool | None |
| 21/00564/FUL | Louise Everard | 18 Higher Road, Halewood, Liverpool | None |
| 21/00624/FUL | Mr Lewis | 178 Leathers Lane, Halewood, Liverpool. | None |
| 21/00643/FUL | Mr Stan Askew | 3 Roseheath Drive, Halewood, Liverpool. | None |
| 21/00656/FUL | Greene King | Eagle & Child, Church Road, Halewood. | None |
| 21/00657/FUL | Greene King | Eagle & Child, Church Road, Halewood. | None |
| 21/00673/ADV | Redrow Homes Limited | Opposite yew Tree Farm, Lower Lane, Halewood. | None |
| 20/00677/FUL | Debbie Hodaj | 31 School Drive, Halewood, Liverpool. | None |
| 21/00521/NMA | Redrow Homes Limited | Plot 1 – Land to North of Railway Line bounded by Lower Road, Greensbridge Lane and Ditton Brook Watercourse, Halewood. Plot 3 – Land to South of Railway Line bounded by Lower Road, Finch Lane and Baileys Lane, Halewood. | None |

There was a discussion amongst the members about Planning Application number 21/00656/FUL and 21/00657/FUL – Eagle & Child, Halewood.

**RESOLVED:-** that,

1. The Planning Applications be noted.
2. The Town Manager writes to the Planning Office about the above Planning Applications to request information regarding possible Light & Noise pollution.

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Signed ....................................... Date ...............................................