

WELLS CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY CENTRE AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WELLS TOWN HALL ON
THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2015 AT 6.00PM

PRESENT: Cllrs: M Brandon (Vice-Chairman); A Gibson (Deputy Mayor); N Kennedy;
J Ludovino (Chairman); C Price; G Wilson (The Mayor); C Wride

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk: F White
RFO: S Luck
Cllr R MacKenzie
1 member of the public

15/46CO APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs: C Cox; T Robbins

15/47CO DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None declared

15/48CO MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 15TH OCTOBER 2015 were proposed, seconded approved and signed.

15/49CO MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Cllr MacKenzie spoke as matters arose.

A request was presented on behalf of the Strawberry Line East Group for a dog fouling bin, to be installed at the entrance to footpath WS17/24 junction with cycle path. This was agreed in principle, investigations to be made with Mendip District Council.

15/50CO WELLS IN BLOOM

To receive the minutes of the Wells in Bloom meeting held on 12th November 2015
The Chairman presented the minutes and invited questions. She reported the summer bedding plants have been ordered and the pyramid is in place.
Financial matters were noted and approved.

15/51CO CITY & TOURISM FORUM

To receive the minutes of the City and Tourism Forum held on 11th November 2015
The Chairman presented the minutes and invited questions.
The proposal to fly the union flags in the High Street for the Queen's 90th birthday celebrations was noted and approved.
There was a short discussion about parking.

15/52CO CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING 3rd December

To approve contribution to licensing costs for Christmas Shopping evening (LGA1972 S145): resolved.

The Chairman reported there has been better support for the event from the national chains this year.

15/53CO MAINTENANCE REPORTS

To report matters for the attention of Somerset County Highways, Mendip District Council, or Wells Open Spaces section: (pot holes, pavements, street lights, litter, street furniture etc.):

- i. The Landscape group have been instructed not to park on the pavement outside NatWest bank
- ii. Priory Road trees; the lifting pavement areas have been marked out for repairs, works are due in the next 4 weeks
- iii. The Chairman commented on the length of time taken to carry out works in Glastonbury Road
- iv. Portway: diversion signs left out after the Carnival – to be picked up by SCC Highways
- v. Cycle routes: there was a long discussion about cycle routes in and around Wells

15/54CO ANY OTHER MATTERS OF REPORT

- i. The RFO reported that all the Christmas lights are up. He thanked Cllrs Gibson and Wride for coming out to help.
- ii. Allotments: 3 plot holders have not paid and have been sent a second letter
- iii. The Chairman noted that the natural play area at the Crest Nicholson development turns out to be a pond.

15/55CO DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 6pm Thursday 18th February 2016