

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Baldock and District Committee held in the
Baldock Community Centre, Simpson Drive, Baldock
on Monday, 4th September, 2017 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Valentine Shanley.

2 MINUTES - 3 JULY 2017

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 3 July 2017 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman.

3 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting including the general public and the public speakers for Public Participation. He also welcomed Members of the Committee and the Community Officer. The Chairman advised that Mr Alessandro Marsili Senior Asset Scientist of Hydrogeology would be giving a presentation on behalf of Affinity Water and that Mr Marsili would be available to answer questions.
- (2) The Chairman advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded;
- (3) The Chairman drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.

5 PRESENTATION FROM AFFINITY WATER

Mr Alessandro Marsili (Affinity Water), assisted by Mr Nigel Beaven (Affinity Water) and Mr Jake Rigg (Affinity Water) gave a presentation and answered member's questions regarding water supply issues in the Baldock area.

The Chairman thanked the Affinity Water representatives for their presentation and attendance at the meeting.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the representatives from Affinity Water be thanked for their presentation;
- (2) That the representatives from Affinity Water be requested to:

Respond to the Committee Members on the extent to which developers paid for the increased/enhanced water infrastructure construction costs incurred on new housing developments; and

Copy in the Chairman of the Committee on any e-mails between Affinity Water and the Environment Agency relating to the Ivel Spring area.

REASON FOR DECISION: To keep Members of the Committee abreast of water supply matters in the Baldock area.

6 PRESENTATION FROM BALDOCK TOWN YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

Mr Barry Kingham addressed the Committee and gave a verbal presentation regarding Baldock Town Youth Football Club Business Plan.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the aims and objectives of the Baldock Town Football Club Business Plan be supported;
- (2) That, once the Business Plan has been considered at a meeting to be held between the Football Club and Committee Members, the final version be passed to the Hertfordshire County Council Land Service and the NHDC Executive Member for Leisure.

REASON FOR DECISION: To improve services provided by local organisations and groups which are accessed by the Community.

7 CONSULTATION IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED STREET TRADING POLICY 2018-2025

RESOLVED: That the report be noted, and the following comment considered by the Licensing Manager in the final version of the proposed Street Trading Policy 2018-2015:

The Licence Holder shall be responsible for the removal of any litter within the vicinity of the consent site, with the definition of vicinity being determined on a case by case basis.

REASON FOR DECISION: To provide local input into the proposed Street Trading Policy 2018-2015.

8 BALDOCK COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Communities Officer and Councillor Jim McNally updated the Committee on a number of recent and forthcoming Baldock Community Events.

9 GRANTS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

RESOLVED:

- (1) That a grant award of £500 for the Baldock, Bygrave and Clothall Neighbourhood Planning Group be approved in principle, subject to officers receiving the appropriate supporting documentation in line with the Authority's grant criteria outlined in Paragraph 8.1.1 of the report, to be funded from the Arbury, Baldock East, Baldock Town and Weston & Sandon Ward Budgets on the basis of the usual percentage split; and
- (2) That the actions taken by the Community Development Officer to promote greater community capacity and well-being for Royston and District be endorsed.

REASON FOR DECISION: To keep Members of the Committee apprised of the latest developments in community activities in the Baldock and District area.

10 WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS

The Chairman commented that he had spent virtually all of his £90,000 Hertfordshire County Council Locality Budget for 2016/17. For 2017/18, he had asked for the resurfacing of Salisbury Road and renewal of pavements, together with some further pavement works and white lining around the town.

Councillor Steve Jarvis advised that he had about £4,500 of his Hertfordshire County Council Locality Budget left to spend.

11 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - BALDOCK, BYGRAVE AND CLOTHALL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING GROUP

Mr Michael Bingham thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to address the Committee and gave a verbal presentation regarding the Baldock, Bygrave and Clothall Neighbourhood Planning Group.

The Chairman thanked Mr Bingham for his presentation.