

# NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Royston and District Committee held in the Room 11,  
Royston Town Hall, Melbourn Street, Royston  
on Wednesday, 14th March, 2018 at 7.30 pm

### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Gerald Morris.

### 2 MINUTES - 29 NOVEMBER 2017

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Royston and District Committee meeting held on 29 November 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 those present, particularly PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) Penny Tomsett and PCSO Charlie Crichton from Hertfordshire Constabulary;
- (2) The Chairman advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded; and
- (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 HERTFORDSHIRE CONSTABULARY

PCSO Penny Tomsett (Hertfordshire Constabulary) thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to address the Committee and gave a verbal update of the report of Sergeant Guy Westwood on the issues being addressed by the Hertfordshire Constabulary in the Royston and District area.

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That Sergeant Guy Westwood be requested to supply and forward crime statistics to the Communities Officer of this Committee via email;
- (2) That the Communities Officer liaise with Parking Enforcement at NHDC, requesting their assistance with lawful and appropriate parking during peak times in hotspots known to the Police and in Royston Town Centre;
- (3) That the Communities Officer liaise with Environmental Health at NHDC, requesting their assistance to work with the Police, to encourage buskers to re-situate to more suitable unpopulated by business areas.

**REASON FOR DECISION:** To keep the Royston and District Committee apprised of the work of the Hertfordshire Constabulary.

## 6 HIGHWAYS ISSUES

The Committee was informed of ongoing and forthcoming highways matters in the Royston area.

### **RESOLVED:**

- (1) That the Gritting Team, who regularly go beyond the call of duty, be thanked for all of their efforts and hard work.
- (2) That the Pothole Team be thanked for all of their hard work and efforts.
- (3) That the verbal update on highways issues be noted.

## 7 GRANTS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

### **RESOLVED:**

- (1) That, in principle, the grant of £2,500 be awarded to Royston First, subject to officers receiving the appropriate supporting documentation and provided to Royston & District Area Committee in line with the Authority's grant criteria, and as detailed in Paragraph 8.1.1 of the report;
- (2) That any unspent funds from the 2017/18 financial year be allocated to Community Initiatives;
- (3) That the Communities Officer be thanked for all of his work that he carries out within the community; and
- (4) That the actions taken by the Communities 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 Royston and District area.

## 8 WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS

There were no ward or outside organisations members' reports.

## 9 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation under this item.