



MEETING OF THE

COLNE & DISTRICT COMMITTEE

(Members: Councillors S. Benson, N. Butterworth, D. Clegg, S. Cockburn-Price, J. Cooney, M. S. Foxley, A. R. Greaves, D. E. Lord, J. A. Nixon, G. Roach, I. W. Tweedie, G. Waugh (Chairman) and P. White)

TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY 31st MARCH, 2016

AT 7.00 P.M.

AT COLNE TOWN HALL, ALBERT ROAD, COLNE

The meeting will commence with PUBLIC **QUESTION TIME**. Members of the public are invited to attend and ask questions of the Committee.

Members of the public may also speak on any agenda item in which they have a direct interest. Petitions may also be presented.

If the item is a planning application then you must make your request in writing or by telephone by 12 noon on the day of the meeting.

For other items you should try to make your request in writing or by telephone by 12 noon on the day of the meeting. If you are unable to do this the Chairman may still allow you to speak if you turn up at the meeting.

For further information and to make a request to speak please contact Jane Watson tel: 01282 661648



If you would like this information in a way which is better for you, please telephone us.





AGENDA

1. Declaration of Interests

Members are reminded of the legal requirements concerning the declaration of interests.

A Member must declare a disclosable pecuniary interest which he/she has in any item on the agenda. A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest in any item may not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting and must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting.

In addition the Council's Standing Orders require a Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest to leave the room where the meeting is held while any discussion or voting takes place.

2. Public Question Time

To receive, for a maximum of 15 minutes, questions from members of the public on issues which do not appear on the agenda.

3. Minutes

Enc. To approve, or otherwise, the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd March, 2016

4. Progress Report

Enc. The attached progress report on action arising from the last meeting is attached for information.

NON-EXECUTIVE ISSUES

PLANNING MATTERS

5. <u>Planning Appeals</u>

Enc. The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submits, for information, the attached report on outstanding appeals.

6. <u>Enforcements/Unauthorised Uses</u>

(a) Outstanding enforcements

Enc. The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submits the attached report giving the up-to-date position on outstanding enforcement cases.

(b) Enforcement action

Enc. The Democratic and Legal Manager submits the attached report giving the up-to-date position on prosecutions.

(c) Hubbs House Farm, Colne

An update will be provided at the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ISSUES

FINANCE MATTERS

7. Capital Programme 2015/16 and 2016/17

The Neighbourhood Services Manager submits the attached report on the Committee's Capital Programme for 2015/16 and for 2016/17.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

8. Knotts Drive Pond, Colne

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager.

9. 55 Parker Street, Colne

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manger reports that the property has now been sold. The new owner has contacted us and informed us of a programme of work he will be undertaking to the property. It is recommended that the situation be monitored but the new owner be given time to undertake the work he intends to carry out.

10. <u>Environmental Blight</u>

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Neighbourhood Services Manager.

11. Condition of Paving Stones throughout Colne Town Centre

A report was submitted to this Committee on 4th February, 2016 which provided an update on the progress made on issues identified on the member/officer town centre walkabouts in June and July 2014.

At that meeting it was resolved "that the Neighbourhood Services Manager be asked to submit a report to the next meeting on the condition of the paving flags throughout the town centre and the options available to improve/replace them."

A Pendle/Lancashire County Council officer site meeting will take place shortly to discuss the condition of the stone flags and feedback will be given at the walkabout on the 31st March 2016 and at the Committee meeting.

12. Tower Buildings, Colne

At the 4th February meeting of this Committee, when discussing the Capital Programme, members noted that there was £1,927 unspent in the Gateway Premises Improvement Grants allocation.

It was resolved at that meeting that a report be submitted to a future meeting outlining possible improvements to the exterior of this building. Officers have approached the owner of the premises about applying for a Premises Improvement Grant but this offer hasn't been

taken up. The 2015/16 allocation has now been fully allocated but a further offer will be made during the 2016/17 financial year.

Members may wish to discuss what might be done to the building on the walkabout on 31st March.

13. <u>Colne Town Centre Walka</u>bout

To report any issues arising from the walkabout. This is to be carried out prior to the meeting.

14. <u>Vacant Homes</u>

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Housing, Health and Economic Development Services Manager.

15. <u>Colne Town Centre Forum</u>

Enc. Minutes of a meeting of the Colne Town Centre Forum meeting held on 19th January, 2016 are submitted for information.

16. <u>Miscellaneous Minutes</u>

Minutes of a meeting of Colne in Bloom are submitted for information.

17. Outstanding Items

Types of replacement tree grilles (P. Atkinson/S. Whalley) (report requested 04.02.2016)