



# Midhurst Town Council

**A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE  
TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JULY 2019 AT 7:30pm  
IN THE MIDHURST TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE, THE OLD LIBRARY,  
KNOCKHUNDRED ROW, MIDHURST**

## MINUTES

**Present:** Cllr G. Upjohn (Chairman), Cllr D. Coote, Cllr C. Lintott, Cllr S. Morley, Cllr D. Smallman, Cllr J. Sutton

**Officer:** Melanie Kite, Town Clerk

Also attended: Mr. G. McAra, Mr. J. Quail (Assistant Clerk), Mrs K. Collyer (Events Manager), Mrs P. McCulloch (Midhurst Vision)

### **CE/25/19 – CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman reminded the committee that the meeting was being recorded for the purpose of the Clerk only.

### **CE/26/19 - APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr D. Knight, Cllr M. Purves, Cllr M. Whittaker

### **CE/27/19 - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared

### **CE/28/19 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 24<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019**

There were no matters arising.

### **CE/29/19 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Meeting adjourned for public questions.

Mr. McAra enquired as to how the Northern Gateway project was proceeding and whether, once the plans have been formalised, that the implementation of it should go to the Asset sub-committee. Cllr Lintott replied that a working party had been set-up to carry this project forward.

Meeting reconvened.

### **CE/30/19 – REPORT FROM EVENTS MANAGER**

Kayleigh Collyer updated the Members on proceedings for the carnival procession: Overall, everything is going well and on schedule.

- There are four bands, one of which is a float cum band.
- All aspects for security is covered and booked. WSCC Highways have been notified and road closures registered.
- Signs and general publicity is in the public domain, on Face Book and other social media sites.
- There are twenty-eight marshals confirmed to help. More volunteers are required.
- Volunteers for putting up barriers and street signage just ahead of the day are confirmed.
- Street performers are arranged and booked.



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Cllr Morley asked if Cowdray Estate knew that the banner would need to go up earlier than usual. It was agreed that Cllr Morley would write to Peppi Calla at Cowdray Estate.

## **CE/31/19 – REPORT FROM MIDHURST VISION**

McCulloch thanked the Town Council for its support and named other major supporters for Midhurst Vision.

All the literature and posters, and social media advertising promoting the questionnaire is now in the public domain. The school has been involved.

There are ‘drop-in’ sessions at The Grange. Steve Hill and herself are available for questions and to help if anyone cannot complete the survey on-line.

There has been an article in the Observer but a series of further articles with comments from its main supporters is hoped for.

The survey concludes at the end of August. Workshops will start in September with fifteen members from stakeholder groups and a Midhurst Town Council representative.

Dates of the meetings will be circulated later.

## **CE/32/19 – NORTHERN GATEWAY**

A meeting date was not decided. This will be discussed after the meeting.

## **CE/33/19 – RED TELEPHONE BOX**

The notice board for inside the box has arrived and will be put up by Chris Saville.

Wooden pamphlet holder to be made and new signage saying ‘Information Centre’ to be sought.

## **CE/34/19 – FLOWER DISPLAYS**

Julian Quail gave a detailed explanation of what the town has this year and ideas for future years.

The main problem is the watering of the baskets and planters and this will decide which company the council can get to provide the arrangements and do the watering.

Following a discussion around quality and quantity it was agreed to have flowers in a more concentrated area providing a more impressive and stunning display.

Increasing the budget will be discussed at the FAP meeting.

This will form the working remit going forward and a further update will be brought to this committee in September.

20:36 Cllr Morley leaves the meeting.

## **CE/35/19 - GOVERNMENT LOCAL FUNDING**

Cllr Smallman is to complete a survey of the state of street furniture in town.

Working group formed: Cllr Lintott, Cllr Smallman, Cllr Coote, Cllr Sutton.

## **CE/36/19 - MATTERS OF REPORT**

Cllr Sutton noted that there are a lot of posters and banners around town that are from organisations outside Midhurst. These should be removed. This was also brought up at Planning.

Cllr Upjohn remarked on the loose manhole cover that still has not be repaired. SSE are due back again next week when it is expected the repair will be completed.

Also, that there is a lot of overgrown vegetation, on Cowdray land, that requires maintenance. Julian Quail will mention this at his meeting with Peppi Calla next week.



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There being no further business the Meeting was closed at 8:49pm.

Date: .....

Signed:.....

Chairman