# **Lichfield City Council**

# Minutes of the Meeting of Lichfield City Council held in the Guildhall, Lichfield, on Tuesday 10 September 2018 at 6.30pm

**PRESENT:** Councillors D Leytham (Mayor), R Awty, B Bacon, Mrs D Baker, C Ball, J Brooks, B Cocksey, Mrs J Greaves, P Hitchman, Mrs S James, Mrs A Lax, Miss J Marks, T Matthews, B McMullan, P Ray, A Smith, C Spruce, Mrs L Warfield, M Warfield and R Yardley.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Mrs N Bacon, Mrs G Boyle, D Dundas, I Eadie, Mrs J Eagland, C Greatorex and A Thompson.

## 43 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor reported on a number of recent civic and other engagements attended including the 'Imagine Peace Exhibition' at the Cathedral, the Allotment Society Annual Show, meeting two Syrian families now residing in Lichfield, attending the Farmers Market, the Sheriff's Ride and the Mayor and Sheriff's first charity event which was an artisan market in the Guildhall.

#### 44 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

#### 45 COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 31 July 2018 (Nos 30-42) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

#### 46 MATTERS ARISING

Further to Minute No 41(31 July 2018) Councillor Ball commented that he was disappointed that only 31% of the development would be allocated to affordable housing. The Mayor advised Councillor Ball that as the City Council was not responsible for this aspect of housing policy [it being a matter for the District Council] there was nothing that could be added to the previous discussion.

## 47 PLANNING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 26 July 2018 be received.

# 48 QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 8(2)

None

# 49 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN IMPLEMENTATION WORKING PARTY (NPIWP)

Councillor Mrs D Baker updated Members regarding the provision of new signage in the City to be funded from CIL monies; and advised that a public consultation to be publicised in the next issue of the City Council's 'City View' supplement in City Life magazine would invite suggestions for further CIL allocation priorities from local residents.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Implementation Working Party held on 29 August 2018 be adopted.

# 50 OFFICERS' REPORT

Councillor Mrs S James noted the amount of support that Paul Smith, a trader on the Market, had given to the civic events. She requested that the Town Clerk send a letter of thanks in recognition of his continued support. The Mayor thanked all the Officers involved for the many hours of work they put in to deliver the Sheriff's ride.

RESOLVED: That the Report as contained in Agenda Appendix 2 be received, and that officers be commended for their informative report.

## 51 FINANCIAL PROGRESS REPORT – 1 APRIL TO 31 JULY 2018

Members considered the financial report covering the period 1 April to 31 July 2018.

RESOLVED: That the Financial Progress Report be noted.

## 52 STOWE WARD VACANCY

It was noted that the election for the Stowe ward vacancy would take place on 27 September 2018.

## 53 AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Due to the resignation of Councillor J Grange members were asked to appoint a representative to serve internally on the Audit Committee. It was proposed by Cllr B Cocksey, seconded by Cllr C Spruce and

RESOLVED That CIIr Mrs L Warfield be appointed to serve internally on the Audit Committee.

#### 54 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED: That payment of accounts be approved and confirmed as listed in Agenda Appendix 4 for the period

- 1) 1 June 2018 to 30 June 2018 in the sum of £83,708.46 General Account, and £848.66 Imprest Account.
- 2) 1 July 2018 to 31 July 2018 in the sum of £80,115.93 General Account, and £1,710.41 Imprest Account.

#### 55 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, by reason of the confidential nature of the business next to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the Meeting.

## 56 TENDERS COMMITTEE

Members considered the Minutes of the Tenders Committee meeting held on 3 September 2018 and the recommendation therein.

RESOLVED: That the minutes and recommendations of the Tenders Committee held on 3 September 2018 be adopted.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.46 PM

**MAYOR**