WYMONDHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LEISURE, ENVIRONMENT, ENTERPRISE AND TOURISM COMMITTEE held on Tuesday 19th November 2024 in the Council Offices commencing at 6.00 pm

Present:

Cllrs	A James (Chair)
	L Nixon
	M Batley
	M Rosen (Substitute for L Doheny)
	S Nuri-Nixon

Also Present:

2 member(s) of the public.

C Pharoah – SNC – Town Co-ordinator

Cllr. Fulcher

LE29/24	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> – Cllr. Doheny	
LE30/24	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None.	
LE31/24	<u>MINUTES OF MEETING</u> Upon the proposition of Cllr. Nixon and seconded by Cllr. Nuri-Nixon it was unanimously resolved to approve the minutes of the Leisure, Environment, Enterprise & Tourism Committee meeting held on 16 th July 2024 as a correct record.	
LE32/24	PROGRESS UPDATES - None.	
LE33/24	 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION Representative of Greening Wymondham read out statement about the effects of climate change and that they were pleased that a bio-diversity report on the various sites owned/managed by the Council had been prepared. Further work they thought was necessary was then outlined and the need to liaise with local groups such as Greening Wymondham was stressed. Local resident suggested that the Council should use emoji's in its minutes/reports. 	
LE34/24	<u>PLAY EQUIPMENT</u> Report by the Deputy Clerk was discussed and it was noted that the equipment will shortly be cleaned by the Council's grounds staff following which the appropriate pieces will be repainted.	
LE35/24	<u>BIO- DIVERSITY</u> Cllr. James introduced the report that had been prepared outlining possible work that could be carried out to improve bio-diversity at various council owned/managed sites. It was then stressed that this was the second phases of the work and that the third phase would be discussions with interested parties such as Green Wymondham and sustainable Wymondham. Councillors commented that it was good to see this work progressing.	

LE36/24	TOWN CO-ORDINATOR report on progress to date was noted and the Town Co- ordinator commended on her work and the benefits to the Town. It was confirmed that the Christmas Elf trail now had over 30 shops were taking part and the originally planned two days event had now been extended from the beginning of December to Christmas Eve.
LE37/24	EXCLUSION PRESS & PUBLIC On the proposition of Cllr. Nixon and seconded by Cllr Nuri-Nixon resolution by the Council under the provisions of Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admissions to meetings) Act 1960 to exclude Press and the Public from the meeting of Wymondham Town Council in order to discuss matters where publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.
LE38/24	<u>BUDGET 2025/26</u> Clerk presented the draft for discussion and submission to the Finance & General Purposes Committee for incorporation into the Council budget for the 2025/26 financial year. After further discussion during which a number of questions were answered upon the resolution of Cllr. Nixon and seconded by Cllr. Rosen it was resolved to recommend a proposed budget of £177,297 to the Finance & General Purposes Committee.

[The meeting closed at 18.40 pm]

<u>SIGNED</u>...... (Chairman)