

**Northam Town Council - Minutes of the Town Projects and Asset Management Meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017 in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Northam at 2.00 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Tisdale (Chairman), Berryman, Brading, Davis, Durkin, Edwards, Hames, Himan, Leather and Miller

**In attendance:** Mrs M J Mills – Town Clerk

**1711/662 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Whittaker and Eastman

**1711/663 Chairman's announcements**

A request has been received for a letting on New Year's Eve evening. Members decided after some discussion not to proceed with the booking.

**Action point advise hirer of decision**

**1711/664 Declarations of interest**

Members were reminded that all interests should be declared prior to the item being discussed.

**1711/665 To agree the agenda as published**

It was **resolved** to agree the agenda as published.

Proposed: Cllr Berryman, Seconded: Cllr Brading (all in favour)

**1711/666 Public Participation**

*Members of the public are permitted to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Each member of the public is entitled to speak once only in respect of business itemised on the agenda and shall not speak for more than 3 minutes. The period of time which is designated for public participation in accordance with standing orders shall not exceed 15 minutes.*

No members of the public were present.

**1711/667 To consider budget implications in relation to Town Projects and Asset Management for 2018/19 (herewith)**

Members reviewed a draft budget, it was agreed to obtain a survey on the flooring at Northam Hall and check the guarantees from the original suppliers. It was agreed to increase repairs at Northam Hall from £1000 to £2000. Also, to increase dog/litter bin provision to £1200. Further to include £2000 for day to day running of Lords Meadow.

Speed sign maintenance to be increased to £300, and include a £3000 reserve towards maintenance and replacement of festoon/festive lighting.

A discussion was held on the merits of solar panels for Northam Hall, Members felt the concept was fantastic, but the costings were incomplete.

It was **resolved** to include a £30000 sum in the next budget for projects, Members could then bid into this fund for projects.

Proposed: Cllr Leather, Seconded: Cllr Durkin (all in favour)

Specific projects to be included in the next Town Projects Agenda, to include solar panels, path at Lords Meadow and Ridgeway Drive.

**Action points, adjust budget figures for Finance and Staffing meeting, and place items on the agenda**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 15.45pm

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