

**MINUTES** of the **CRIME & COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING OF STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL** held at Stanley Civic Hall, Front Street, Stanley on Wednesday 6th April 2016 at 6.30pm

**PRESENT:** Cllr C Bell\*                      Cllr C Thompson                      Cllr D Walker                      Cllr J Charlton  
                  Cllr G Graham                      Cllr J Nicholson                      Cllr W Nixon

\*Chairman

**OFFICERS:** Alan Shaw (Town Clerk)  
                  Nicola James (PA to the Town Clerk)  
                  James Harper (Community Development Manager)

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** PS Emma Kay

**616                      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies received. Cllr L Elliott and R Ferris are absent.

**617                      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr C Bell declared an interest as Chair of Stanley Traders.  
Cllr J Charlton declared an interest as a Durham County Councillor.

**618                      PROCEDURAL AND APPROPRIATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN OR TOWN CLERK**

The Town Clerk noted that no one was recording the meeting.

**619                      PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

**620                      CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

It was proposed by Cllr G Graham, seconded by Cllr W Nixon and **RESOLVED** that the Committee approve the minutes of the Crime & Community Safety Committee meeting held on 3rd February 2016.

**621                      COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

PS Emma Kay asked members of the committee if they agreed to Durham Constabulary using the STC logo on their 'You Said We Did' campaign materials and online survey to show partnership working on community engagement.

Following a discussion, it was proposed by Cllr D Walker, seconded by Cllr J Charlton and **RESOLVED** that the STC logo could be used to show partnership working on this new initiative / campaign.

622 **BLOOMING GOOD FUN**

The Community Development Manager noted that posters and leaflets have been distributed to advertise the Blooming Good Fun competition. Previous entrants have been contacted to see if they would like to enter again this year. Members collectively agreed that the CDM could order extra banners in addition to the ones on the Civic Hall and local roundabouts. These will be put around housing estates in Stanley to advertise the competition.

623 **DURHAM MONEY ADVICE**

Members discussed the application for funding from DMA. It was proposed by Cllr J Charlton, seconded by Cllr W Nixon and **RESOLVED** that the Committee recommends that up to £20,000 funding be granted.

This will be considered further by the Finance Committee who will determine which budget these funds will come from.

624 **WINTER MAINTENANCE**

The CDM gave the committee an update re: gritting routes and grit bins. The gritting routes are able to be changed. The CDM will email all members to progress this. Officers have been informed that STC can put out our own grit bins if we maintain, upkeep and refill them ourselves. DCC would vet where the grit bins would go. The CDM will do a mapping exercise to determine where they will go. Members were encouraged to let officers know where they would like more grit bins.

The CDM advised that the salt for the grit bins would come free of charge from DCC, and that officers would ensure new grit bins would have the STC logo.

*Cllr C Thompson left the meeting*

625 **UPDATES FROM PARTNERS**

The CDM noted that the front room of PACT House was being cleared ready for the first user group to go in on Tuesday next week.

626 **MINI POLICE**

Members were asked to consider a funding request from Craig Johnson for £7000 toward the cost of a mini bus.

It was requested that the Town Clerk ask Craig for further information.

## 627 DOG BAGS

Cllr W Nixon noted that since Tyne Road Community Centre had moved to Wear Road there were no distribution points for dog bags at Tyne Road. It was proposed by Cllr W Nixon, seconded by Cllr J Charlton and **RESOLVED** that the dog bag distribution point be changed from Tyne Road Community Centre to The Co-op, Tyne Road.

It was also agreed that out of the 3 boxes of dog bags that will go to The Cutting Corner, 1 of these boxes will be given to Tantobie Community Centre and they would be added to the distribution list.

It was also agreed that out of the 3 boxes of dog bags that will go to Geoff Graham, 1 of these boxes will be given to The Peacock pub and they would be added to the distribution list.

## 628 TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Town Clerk noted his proposed changes to the Committees Terms of Reference. It was proposed by Cllr J Charlton and **RESOLVED** that the following changes be approved:

(i) Amend paragraph CCS2 in respect of the schedule of meetings, i.e:

‘CCS2 – The Committee shall meet a minimum of five times a year and otherwise as required at the discretion of the Chair of the Committee. In addition, any two members of the Committee may convene a meeting of the Committee if the Chairman does not or refuses to within 7 days of a written request for a meeting to be called.’

(ii) Delete paragraph CCS4 (e) as it is no longer necessary; and

(iii) Amend paragraph CCS4 (f) (enhanced services), i.e:

‘f) To monitor the performance of any environmental improvement contracts and make recommendations to Council to improve their effectiveness ’

## 629 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, 4th May 2016, 6.30pm, Stanley Civic Hall