

Droitwich Spa Town Council

MINUTES of the **RESOURCES COMMITTEE** held at St Richard's House, Victoria Square, Droitwich Spa on Monday 12 December 2016 at 6.18pm.

PRESENT: Councillor A Humphries (Chairman)
Councillor R Murphy (Ex-officio)
Councillor L Evans
Councillor A H Laird
Councillor T J Noyes

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors Ms J Bolton, Mrs C Bowden, G R Brookes, Mrs A Hawkins, and A Roberts.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors R G Beale, S Best (Vice-Chairman), A M Sinton and Mrs K Tomalin committee members and Councillors Mrs S Harris, Mrs M A Lawley and R J Morris.

182 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were none.

183 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON 17 OCTOBER 2016

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Resources Committee held 17 October 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

184 ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE NOMINATION: THE OLD COCK INN, 77 FRIAR STREET WR9 8EQ

[Councillor S Best had declared an interest in this matter.]

A nomination had been made for the Old Cock Inn public house to be designated as an Asset of Community Value under the Localism Act 2011. The Town Council had been asked for its views.

Councillor Murphy, who was a member of Wychavon District Council's Localism and Community Funding Advisory Panel, referred to the recent application made on behalf of The Hop Pole in Friar Street. Councillor T J Noyes advised that both public houses were worthy of this designation to ensure their preservation.

Individual Councillors spoke in support of the nomination, and to the excellent community work undertaken by the licensees, who had organised the very successful annual 'FriarFest' event. Regretfully trading had ceased in November 2016. The building was of great historical interest, having been first licensed for the sale of alcohol in the reign of Queen Anne in 1712. The church window on the first floor came from the medieval Church of St. Nicholas.

It was therefore

RESOLVED That the nomination of the Old Cock Inn, 77 Friar Street, Droitwich Spa WR9 8EQ as an Asset of Community Value under the Localism Act 2011 be supported.

185 TELEPHONE BOXES

British Telecom had advised Wychavon District Council of the impending removal of four telephone boxes in Droitwich Spa, others being earmarked in other parishes. The opportunity existed for these to be purchased for £1 to enable community use. The boxes concerned were located in Hanbury Road, Worcester Road/Old Coach Road, and opposite The Oaklands, Worcester Road. These were not the attractive red ones designed by Scott but the KX100 types and two were in a very poor state of repair.

Following a newspaper article in the Droitwich Standard, expressions of interest had been received as follows:

- Canal Side Studios – to promote arts and crafts by local people, a small art gallery. Preferred site: Hanbury Road.
- Droitwich AED - would be very interested in taking ownership of the three boxes mentioned to house public access AED defibrillators.
- Georgina Wood - very interested in purchasing all three phone boxes and replace with a digital advertising board, solar-powered, in each location.
- Celia Felgate, Freshnous, on behalf of Global Phones (based in Victoria Square) - would like to investigate the possibility of acquiring a box which could be developed, based on ideas gathered from the community, into a new purpose which they would fund and maintain. The preference would be to explore the use of the box at Worcester Road/Old Coach Road.

The merits or otherwise of the purchase of the booths was debated, including the criteria for decommissioning relating to the relevant number of calls made, and the practical difficulties of displaying artwork therein. Thereafter it was proposed by Councillor A H Laird, seconded by Councillor T J Noyes and unanimously

RESOLVED That the decommissioning of the telephone booths be supported and no further action be taken with regard to the purchase thereof.

The Town Clerk confirmed that she would advise British Telecom of this decision together with the interest shown.

186 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Creditor accounts in the sum of £21,851.89 were considered for payment, along with a supplementary payment in the sum of £1,039.88 as appended.

RESOLVED That the statement of accounts appended be received and the expenditure totalling £22,891.77 (£21,851.89 + £1,039.88) be approved and duly passed for payment.

The meeting closed at 6.35pm with Seasonal Greetings from the Chairman.

Chairman of Committee
16 January 2017

Chairman of Council
30 January 2017

RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING 12 DECEMBER 2016 – MINUTE NO 186**REFERS****Creditor Payments List****Cheques already signed 14 November 2016**

10913	Droitwich Waterways (Pamela May) Trust Limited TIC Purchases	£50.00
10914	Zurich Management Services Limited LCAS Membership 2016/17	£114.00
10915	Purchase Power Franking Machine - Postage	£149.60
10916	Wychavon District Council Road Closure - Christmas Switch On Event	£90.00
10917	Information Commissioner Data Protection Registration - Renewal	£35.00
10918	A Payne TIC Purchases	£19.80
10919	Wychavon District Council Recharge for By-Election Cost - 30 July 2016	£2,356.02
10920	PR Support Services Handyman duties - October 2016	£388.05
10921	Hedgerow Publishing Limited Christmas Cards - TIC Sales & Mayoral Cards	£188.09
10922	Mint Electrical Services Emergency light testing July to September 2016 Electrical work TIC & Community Hall	£372.00
10923	Wychavon District Council Small Lottery Registration	£20.00
10924	Aquam Water Services Standpipe - Water Useage	£1.80
10925	Merlin Office Supplies Limited Stationery/cleaning sundries	£136.44
10926	T.O.Y. Trading (Tool Factors) Limited Wad punch for roundabout signs	£9.16

10927	ADT Fire and Security plc Rental, Maintenance & Monitoring of Intruder Alarm System 01.11.2016 to 31.10.2017	£1,639.21
10928	Bullivant Media Limited Heritage Manager Vacancy - Bromsgrove Standard	£437.60
10929	R T Harrison Lengthsman Duties - October 2016 - £244.00 Handyman duties - Tree work at Colford Walk - £280.00	£524.00
10930	King George V Sports CIC Final Phase of Pavilion Refurb - NHB	£8,000.00
10931	GCD Consultancy Supply of hardware for office server	£78.00
10932	Dudley's Coaches Limited TIC ticket sales for October 2016 less commission	£79.20
10933	Deva Designs Limited TIC Purchases	£29.83
10934	Grant Thornton UK LLP 2016 Annual Return Fee	£1,230.00
10935	Bullivant Media Limited Heritage Manager Vacancy Advert - Worcester Observer & Worcester Standard	£217.60

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10936	The Bromsgrove Society TIC Purchases	£17.00
10937	Amplified Sound Limited Sound system provided for Remembrance Sunday - £329.00 Stage & Lights for Christmas Light Switch On - £500.00	£829.00
10938	The Festive Lighting Company Christmas Lights for Switch On Event	£693.60
10939	Weekend365 Limited TIC Purchases	£767.34
10940	The Society of Local Council Clerks Subscription Renewal 2017	£274.00
10941	Association of Local Council Clerks Membership Renewal 2017	£10.00

10942	GCD Consultancy ESET Endpoint Antivirus Renewal for 12 months	£420.00
10943	Purchase Power - Pitney Bowes Postage - Franking Machine	£211.82
10944	Rev'd Alan White TIC Purchases	£30.00
10945	Catering Hygiene Specialists Limited Kitchen Deep Cleaning - Community Hall, Large Kitchen	£838.80
10946	Wychavon District Council Road Closure - Christmas Market	£90.00
10947	A J Manton, Hillhampton Honey TIC Purchases	£157.00
10948	AA Media Limited AA Signs for Christmas Lights Switch On	£787.20
10949	Bryland Fire Protection Limited 6 Monthly Fire Alarm Service Community Hall - £174.00 / St Richard's House - £91.20	£265.20
10950	Vaughtons Honorary Freeman/Alderman Jewels - Carriage	£6.81
10951	Orca Book Services TIC Purchases	£48.72
10952	R T Harrison Handyman duties - November (part)	£240.00
	TOTAL	<u><u>£21,851.89</u></u>

Supplementary Creditor Payments List

10953	Dudley's Coaches Limited TIC Ticket sales less commission	£63.00
10954	Droitwich Spa History & Archaeology Society 2016 Guided Historical Walks	£38.50
10955	Droitwich Spa Civic Society 2016 Guided Historical Walks	£38.50
10956	Tagwells TeaRoom and Cupcakes Buffet provided for Honorary Alderman Meeting 5.12.16	£671.95
10957	Collections Trust Catalogue Cards	£86.80

10958	ADT Fire and Security plc Maintenance of Access Control System 29 December 2016 to 28 March 2017	£141.13
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	TOTAL	<u>£1,039.88</u>
	GRAND TOTAL	<u><u>£22,891.77</u></u>