

# Sandy Town Council

**Minutes of a meeting of the Community Services and Environment Committee of Sandy Town Council held in the Council Chamber at 10, Cambridge Road, Sandy, Bedfordshire on Monday 9 March 2015 commencing at 7.30 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs N Aldis (Chairman), C Butterfield, M Scott, P Sharman, R Smith  
**In Attendance:** C Baker-Smith (as Clerk)

- 1 Apologies for absence (054-14/15)** **Action**  
Apologies were subsequently received from Cllrs Ali, Osborne, Runchman, Sutton
- 2 Declarations of interest (055-14/15)**  
i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - None  
ii) Non-disclosable Interests – None
- 3 Minutes of previous meeting (056-14/15)**  
**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Community Services and Environment Committee held on Monday 26 January 2014 as a correct record of proceedings. Admin
- 4 Public Participation Session (057-14/15)**  
There were no questions.
- 5 Allotments (058-14/15)**  
A letter from the Sandy & District Allotment & Leisure Gardener's Association was considered together with an email from Central Bedfordshire Council explaining the delay in processing the soil testing of the site in Sandy. The email was noted and the site suitability was awaited.  
It was **RESOLVED** that the residents on the Council's waiting list should be asked if they still wanted an allotment plot. Cllr Aldis
- 12 Smartwater – Belam Way (059-14/15)**  
An email from Mr Milstead was considered. He attended the meeting and gave a presentation on the possibility of introducing Smartwater in Sandy. He explained that the project could be in conjunction with the police or Central Bedfordshire Council and could involve local groups. He may have to apply for funding if the police and CBC were not involved.  
It was **RESOLVED** that if funding was required he should apply to the Council by November this year for it to be considered in the 2016 budget.

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- 6 **Engayne Avenue Estate (060-14/15)**  
Cllr Aldis reported that there was still a great need for additional off-street parking but there had been no progress with negotiations to achieve this.
- 7 **CCTV (061-14/15)**  
Cllr Aldis attended the meeting on the 24 February 2015. He reported that CBC want WiFi to connect the cameras to the control centre at Dunstable and Council is to decide if they go with the Wifi or stay with the control centre at Stevenage. Costings are awaited. They are also deploying a mobile camera and asking if Council want to be part of it. It was suggested that this would be beneficial in Belam Way and Cllr Aldis would put this request forward.  
It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Aldis should contact CBC to offer Belam Way as a potential site for a mobile camera. Cllr Aldis
- 8 **The Limes (062-14/15)**  
The email was considered and it was **RESOLVED** to defer the issue as it needed more consideration and the Council wished to explore more options. Cllr Aldis
- 9 **Middlefield Industrial Estate BID (063-14/15)**  
The prospectus was considered and it was **RESOLVED** to see if businesses want to be part of the BID in the first instance and to request a presentation if the BID went ahead.
- 10 **Sandy Ladies Football Club Tournament (064-14/15)**  
The request was considered and it was **RESOLVED** to allow the tournament to take place as in previous years under the same conditions.
- 11 **Best Bar None (065-14/15)**  
It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Aldis would attend the meeting on 16 March 2015.
- 13 **Sandy Town Team Project (066-14/15)**  
This item was withdrawn from the agenda as the Town Team was unable to go ahead with the project as they had been unable to secure funding.
- 14 **Moles – Beeston Green (067-14/15)**  
The request was considered and it was **RESOLVED** that CBC are asked to look at the problem as it is their responsibility for the grass cutting. Clerk

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**15 Cemetery Fees (068/14-15)**

The letter was considered and it was **RESOLVED** that on this occasion only not to charge triple fees for a headstone to be erected in the cemetery.

Clerk