

Market Drayton Town Council

Minutes of a Services and Facilities Committee Meeting held at The Town Hall, Frogmore Road on Thursday 29 May 2025 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Councillors: R. Adcock, Mrs. J. Beckett, T. Beckett, J. Blandford, A. Cartwright, P. Glover, T. Manton (Chairman), and I. Nellins.

ABSENT: Councillors: R. Aldcroft, G. Groves and R. Hughes.

0 members of the public were present and 2 members of the public listening via Teams.

In Attendance: Sue Thomas, Town Clerk, and Kate Harvey, Assistant Clerk.

1.SF APOLOGIES

Members **NOTED** the following apologies:

Councillor G. Groves	-	Prior Arrangement
Councillor R. Hughes	-	Prior Arrangement

2.SF DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS

- i. No disclosable interests were declared.
- ii. No dispensations were received for consideration.

3.SF PUBLIC SESSION

No members of the public had requested to speak.

4.SF MINUTES

Councillor Glover proposed, Councillor Nellins seconded and it was **RESOLVED** with 1 abstention:

To agree and confirm the minutes of a Services and Facilities Committee meeting held on 6 March 2025.

5.SF PERMISSIONS

A letter from the Market Drayton Carnival was circulated to members prior to the meeting as set out in Appendix SF016.

- i. Members consider the request from Market Drayton Carnival committee to use Town Councils premises licence for the event.

Councillor Nellins proposed, Councillor Glover seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

To allow Market Drayton Carnival to use Town Councils premises licence for the entertainment on Saturday 19 July 2025.

- ii. Members considered the request from Market Drayton Carnival to use the Town Park.

Councillor Blandford proposed, Councillor Adcock seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

To allow Market Drayton Carnival to use the Town Park for the carnival on Saturday 19 July 2025.

- iii. Members considered the request from The Methodist Church to use Longlands Play area for this year's Extreme Tour Event.

Councillor Nellins proposed, Councillor Glover seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

To allow The Methodist Church to use Longlands Play area for this year's Extreme Tour Event on 14 September 2025 and to use the Town Councils entertainment licence.

- iv. Members considered the request from The Methodist Church to use the Skatepark on the evening of Saturday 13 September 2025 for a skating event organised by the Extreme Tour.

Councillor Manton proposed, Councillor Glover seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

To allow The Methodist Church to use the Skatepark on the evening of Saturday 13 September 2025 for a skating event organised by the Extreme Tour.

6.SF WORKING GROUPS

- i. Members considered the membership of the Working Groups which report to committee.

Councillor Glover proposed, Councillor Cartwright seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

The following Working Group membership to be:

Working Group	Membership
Play Area	Cllrs: Adcock, Aldcroft, Manton
The Zone	Cllrs: Aldcroft, Hughes
Towers Lawn Toilets	Cllrs: Aldcroft, Blandford, Glover, Hughes, Manton

- ii. Members considered disbanding the Newport Road Toilets Working Group as it has not met since June 2024 and the youth shelter has now been installed by the Skatepark as an alternative to repurposing the toilet block.

Councillor Nellins proposed, Councillor Blandford seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

To disband the Newport Road Toilets Working Group.

7.FG IN BLOOM COMPETITION

A document outlining the In Bloom competition was circulated to members prior to the meeting as set out in Appendix SF017.

The Mayor announced the categories for the competition and urged all councillors to promote the event.

After a brief discussion:

Councillor Adcock proposed, Councillor J. Beckett seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

- i. **To agree the prizes for the 2025 competition:**
1st prize - £30 voucher, a trophy/plaque which they keep for a year and a certificate.
2nd prize - £20 voucher and a certificate.
3rd prize - £10 voucher and a certificate.

Total cost for prizes to be £540.

- ii. **The judges for the competition to be:**
The Mayor, Councillor Manton, Councillor Aldcroft and a resident who previously won the competition on many occasions who no longer enters
- iii. **The presentation will be held in September 2025 at The Royal British Legion.**

8.SF YOUTH CLUB REPORTS

The Junior and senior youth club reports for the period of January 2025-April 2025 were circulated to members prior to the meeting as set out in Appendix SF18 and SF19.

A brief discussion was had on the youth clubs and how beneficial and well attended both sessions are.

A visit for all members to attend the two sessions has been arranged on 18 June 2025.

Members **NOTED** the junior and senior youth club reports for the period of January 2025 – April 2025.

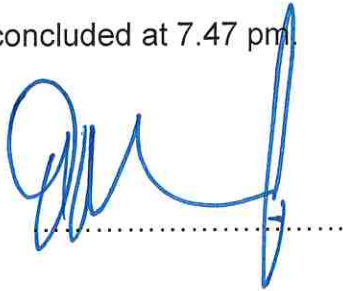
9.SF UPDATES/INFORMATION

Members **NOTED** the following updates/information:

- The trees on Prospect Road (opposite the Beacon Community Centre) have been crowned.
- The repairs to the Chapel windows are ongoing.
- The lease for the Cemetery Chapel and Mortuary is being progressed.
- Hanging baskets, mangers and pole tops are due to be delivered beginning of June.

The meeting concluded at 7.47 pm.

Chairman:



Date:

27-11-25