



Minutes of Town Team Meeting

Town Hall

Monday 18th March at 7pm

Present: Sarah Wilde, Gavin Grant, John Sunderland, Gordon MacPherson, Ash Scott, Chess Fearnley & Emily Small

Also present: Lesley Wood

1. Apologies:

Received from Rob Snedden, Rob Green & Campbell Ritchie. Sarah stated that Mark Gardener has now left the Malmesbury store of Waitrose and thanked him for his contribution to the Town Team and wished him well for the future.

2. To consider & approve from meeting held on the 18th February

Minutes were approved and signed as a correct record.

3. To receive an update on marketing activity, including GWW initiative and next three months' plan

Lesley had circulated the document to all which outlines the work that has been completed and the hours spent on each task although it was noted that far more unpaid work is done outside of the allotted time.

Lesley left the meeting

4. Update on Town Team legal status application

Sarah notified the group that professional advice will be sought to ensure that the application is completed correctly in the soonest time possible, this is necessary to progress the Malmesbury Gift Card.

5. Update on Town Team financial reporting

Gordon outlined the spreadsheet that had been circulated to members of the group.

6. To review the outcomes of the Lidl & Aldi supermarket planning applications & discuss the next steps to be taken by the Town Team in relation to the Aldi application

Sarah had circulated a draft comment for all members of the group to review and comment on. It was agreed that the first step is to organise a meeting with the Planning Consultant and then other members of the Northern Area Planning Committee to put forward a clear, concise statement of desired outcomes for the Town Centre by the Town Team within two months from the date of the decision to ensure consideration of S106 contribution.



7. To receive updates on the Vibrant Malmesbury projects

- a) Discover Malmesbury: It was resolved that Discover/Vibrant Malmesbury is now to be known as 'Explore Malmesbury.'
- b) Gift Card: The launch of the Gift Card will follow the establishment of the Town Team as a CIC.
- c) Signposting: This will be progressed when the current financial planning review is completed.

8. To receive an update from Wiltshire Councillor Gavin Grant.

Cllr Grant updated the group on several items;

- The decision had been made by the Northern Area Planning Committee to **approve** the Aldi application & **refuse** the Lidl application
- Cllr Grant outlined the LGBC consultation and detailed the implications this would have on the Town Team. Cllr Grant implored all members to make representation at the consultation and also that the Town Team responds corporately. It was resolved that Sarah would write on behalf of the Town Team.
- The application at the Land at Backbridge Farm is now at the public consultation stage.
- Cllr Grant will seek amendment to the Wiltshire Council proposal to introduce parking charges on Bank Holidays, outcome awaited.

9. To receive an update from Malmesbury Town Councillor Campbell Ritchie

In Cllr Ritchie's absence Sarah passed on that the new Town clerk will take over on the 1st April and will invite him to a future meeting.

10. Any other business

- Sarah notified the group that Amanda's Café has been leased as a Café again rather than undergoing a change of use to residential
- New owners will take over the Rose & Crown at the bottom of the High Street shortly
- Ash S stated that he and Lisa are attempting a 're-structure' of the Friday Market
- Gordon suggested that the Town Team conducts a review of the Gift Card contracts as soon as legal status is acquired.
- Gordon also asked about the future of the subsidised parking in Malmesbury
- Gavin stated that MTC is moving forwards with an application for public toilets and that the Town Council has the support of the Area Board.
- Chess informed the group that a free viewing of 'The Plastic Ocean' will be shown shortly at the Town Hall. It was also agreed that an update from MAP will be an ongoing agenda item.
- Gordon noted that Governance Review of the Town Team should be undertaken shortly
- Sarah stated that no progress has been made with the re-opening of the Rajah and that none is expected.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

Next meeting will take place on the 15th April 2019