

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ALDEBURGH TOWN COUNCIL
SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2018 AT 7.50 PM IN THE MOOT HALL**

Present: Cllr Palmer took the chair.

Committee Members Present:

Cllr Bond	Cllr Cox
Cllr Digby	Cllr Harris
Cllr Kiff	Cllr Osben
Cllr Oxby	Cllr Walker

There was one member of the public present.

1. Apologies: Cllr Fellowes

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

A minor amendment was made to the draft Minutes of the Services Committees meeting held on Monday 22 January 2018 which were then **APPROVED** by a show of hands. The Minutes were duly signed.

3. Matters for Discussion-SCC, SCDC and Police

Cllr Palmer reported on a recent meeting with fellow Town Cllrs and County Councillor Rainger to discuss highways matters in the town. This meeting had produced some results, said Cllr Palmer, and one or two potholes had now been repaired, though more still needed attention. He expressed bemusement at waiting restriction signs which had appeared in the High Street, adjacent to the Post Office and the Co-op. These were not what we expected or required, he told the Committee. Bays for short-term parking or loading had been requested and not signs and it was a now matter of waiting to see if these restrictions had any effect.

Cllr Worster said that enforcement of parking restrictions throughout the town could only be achieved once all the yellow lines had been repainted in the appropriate, statutory manner.

Cllr Walker told Cllrs he had seen a sign on social media which seemed to suggest that SCDC would soon be charging for parking on the Slaughden road. The Town Clerk said she understood this was still a proposal and that issues of land ownership had to be resolved before car parking charges could be imposed.

The Town Clerk told the Committee that she had met recently with Suffolk Police who were attempting to combat an organised crime wave in the area. Apart from a number of burglaries, the police were investigating the theft of power tools and equipment from contractors' vehicles. She said the Police had good intelligence about the miscreants and were actively seeking them. The anti-social behaviour problem which had blighted the town in 2017 appeared to have gone away, she declared.

3.1 Museum Update

Cllr Fox confirmed that all grant application documents had been submitted to the Heritage Lottery Fund by the Museum Redevelopment Project team and the Town Clerk said ATC and the Museum had signed a new lease. Planning applications for the Museum Redevelopment of the Moot Hall had been withdrawn pending resubmission, she told the Committee.

3.2 Highways

There was nothing further to report.

4. Committee Finance Business

There was no Committee Finance Business.

5. New Services Committee Business

Cllr Palmer outlined a number of projects for discussion during the coming year - speed limits between Snape and Aldeburgh, movement activated speed signs, a possible new design for refuse bins, white posts and chain fence for the Moot Hall and Moot Green and additional traffic orders which could include yellow lines from the roundabout to Mariner's Way. Cllr Kiff welcomed the emphasis on speed limits but said it was essential the whole Town Council was able to debate this issue.

Cllr Bond told Cllrs she had responded to a consultation on the Economic Growth Plan and thanked Cllr Palmer for his input.

The Town Clerk reminded all Cllrs that the Annual Town Meeting would take place at 7pm on March 7 at the Community Centre.

There was nothing further to discuss and the meeting ended at 8.12 pm.