

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ALDEBURGH TOWN COUNCIL  
SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON TUESDAY AUGUST 28 2018 AT 7.20PM IN THE MOOT HALL**

**Present:** Cllr Palmer took the chair.

**Committee Members Present:**

Cllr Bond      Cllr Digby  
Cllr Harris    Cllr Osben  
Cllr Walker

There were two members of the public present.

**1. Apologies:** Cllrs Fellowes, Kiff and Oxby

**2. Approval of Previous Minutes**

The draft Minutes of the Services Committees meeting held on Monday July 23 2018 were **APPROVED** by a show of hands. The Minutes were duly signed.

**3. Matters for Discussion-SCC, SCDC and Police**

The Town Clerk told the Committee that a Police report had not been received but informed Cllrs that the shelter at the top of the Town Steps had been vandalised with graffiti. Norse had agreed to clean the shelter free-of-charge, she said. Cllr Worster pointed out there had been graffiti daubed on walls and fences in the vicinity of Alde House Drive and Priors Hill Way.

**3.1 Museum Update**

The Town Clerk announced this item would be discussed in-camera at the end of the meeting.

**3.2 Highways**

Cllr Palmer reported on a Services Committee working party meeting at which speed activated signs for Saxmundham and Leiston Roads had been discussed. He told the Committee that recommendations would be submitted for approval once costs for both signs had been evaluated. At the moment, he said, the total cost of the signs was in the region of £13,500, though he hoped this could be reduced by negotiation. Cllr Walker felt the bill was too high and Cllr Worster suggested approaching SCC and SCDC for financial help via locality budgets.

Work on renovating the War Memorial was scheduled to start on October 1, he confirmed, with the job being completed within two days. Cllr Worster expressed concern at the lack of respect demonstrated by some people and suggested installing a sign to remind them of the importance of the monument. Other Cllrs felt a gate might be eventually needed if the perceived problem persisted.

Cllr Palmer hailed the arrival of new, larger litter bins which, he hoped, would help solve an on-going problem in the town. He also leapt to the defence of Snooks, which now had a giant litter bin for company. Cllr Palmer said the bin, with one or two others, had been installed in the wrong positions and would soon be moved and replaced with smaller models. Cllr Fox said she thought she might have identified a solution to the problem of scavenging seagulls. She believed bunting installed for the Carnival had contributed to a noticeable reduction in

the seagull population and whimsically suggested this might be a permanent solution to the problem.

Cllr Bond called for discussions on how to prevent motorists from driving over the grass area outside the Moot Hall. The Town Clerk suggested a joint approach with SCDC to potentially install posts and chains.

Cllr Walker suggested the town's pedestrian crossings were in need of a fresh coat of paint, particularly with the onset of the dark, winter months.

#### **4. Committee Finance Business**

There was no Committee Finance Business.

**There was nothing further to discuss and the meeting ended at 7.40 pm.**

