

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF ODIHAM PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE PARISH ROOM, THE BURY, ODIHAM ON
WEDNESDAY 17 OCTOBER 2018 COMMENCING AT 7.51PM**

Present: Cllrs Hale (Chairman), Faulkner, Fellows, Robinson-Giannasi, Stewart and Worboys

159/18 APPOINTMENT OF A CLLR TO TAKE THE MINUTES

Cllr Faulkner was appointed to take the minutes.

160/18 RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr David. Apologies were also received from District Cllr Crookes.

161/18 RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RELATING TO ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA

None. Cllr Stewart said that he would inform the meeting if he identified any.

162/18 PUBLIC SESSION

None.

163/18 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman requested that the council minute thanks to Mr J. Champion for highlighting the meeting held in 1919 led by Ms Chamberlain which identified the principle of a peace memorial and which has been the catalyst for this initiative. Also the Chairman asked that the meeting note the support of the President of the British Legion, Odiham branch.

164/18 APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL FROM THE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE REGARDING THE PEACE GARDEN

Following a detailed description of the proposal agreed by the Community Committee by Cllr Hale, Cllr Fellows didn't see the need for this as there was enough recognition of WW1 in the Parish already and that he doesn't see why we should rush to meet the deadline of celebrating the Centenary. He was concerned that the history panels contained questionable history. Cllr Hale outlined that the panels had been researched and checked by multiple stakeholders within the community.

Cllr Fellows questioned the use of s106, concerned the funds were being taken away from other projects intended for youths. Cllr Hale reminded Cllr Fellows that OPC had recently invested in a Youth Hub at Recreation Road, comprising of a MUGA, fitness trail and older youth play equipment in excess of £160k taken from s106 and that Hart DC had outlined that the Peace Garden was an appropriate project for s106 collected for leisure and open spaces. The idea of a Peace Garden, suggested 100 years ago would be an area that could be enjoyed by all.

Cllr Stewart suggested that it is an awful lot of money and that it was a strange location for the Peace Garden. Cllr Hale outlined that the land had been suggested to OPC by members of the Odiham Society and endorsed by the president of Odiham's branch of RBL - and was well positioned on the boundary of Odiham and North Warnborough, just 30m from the birth place and home of a WW1 VC recipient.

Cllr Hale proposed a resolution that the Full Council approve the recommendation of the Community Committee for the Peace Garden. The resolution was seconded by Cllr Faulkner. The resolution was

passed 4 votes in favour, 2 councillors voted against the motion.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10pm.

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