



**Minutes of The Library, Arts, Business and Information Services Committee meeting held on
Tuesday 10 January 2023 at 7.00 pm in The Otho Peter Suite**

- Present:** Cllrs: Penhale (Mayor), Bailey (Deputy Mayor), Gilbert (Chair), Gordon and Nancarrow
In attendance: Cllrs Heaton, Soanes
Christopher Drake (Town Clerk)
- 2301/01 Apologies for Absence**
There were no apologies for absence
- 2301/02 Declarations of Interest**
There were no declarations of interest
- 2301/03 Public Representation Session**
There were no representations made
- 2301/04 Minutes of Previous Meetings**
The minutes of the meeting held on 1 November 2022 were agreed and signed as a correct record.
- 2301/05 Financial Report**
It was **noted** that the VIC was on budget for the current financial year
- 2301/06 Report from VIC Manager**
It was **resolved** to note the report
- 2301/07 Update of Broader LABI Activities**
It was **resolved** to note the updates
- 2301/08 VIC Membership Rates 2023**
It was **resolved** that the Chairman meet with the VIC Manager and RFO to agree rates for 2023 and for these to be taken to the next meeting of the F+GP Committee for ratification
- 2301/09 Exclusion of Members of the Press and Public**
It was **resolved** that members of the press and public are excluded for items 10 and 11 on the agenda
- 2301/10 Safer Greener Streets and Experimental Traffic Regulation Order**
It was **resolved** that;
- i) the Committee response to the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order be ;
It is important for the town to have safe pedestrian areas and the constant illegal use of restricted streets endangered town users. The pavements in this historic town are narrow in a number of areas and the current ETRO has allowed for the safe use of the streets by allowing pedestrians and those with pushchairs, or wheelchairs/mobility scooters to safely use the wider street area when the closures have been in place. The Town Council has a duty of care to residents that this Order provides as the previous system was not enforced and as such endangered pedestrians and non-vehicle users.
 - ii) The response be ratified at Full Council
 - iii) The preferred options for works as per the Safer Greener Streets project be;
 - a) The Castle Entrance

- b) The Town Square
- c) The Parade Ground
- iv) the preferences be taken to Full Council for ratification

2301/11 Market and Event Provision 2023

It was **resolved** that;

- i) the monthly markets be discontinued as they are not financially viable but that officers explore the possibility of individual stall holders using the town square throughout the week and that a market form part of the Christmas light switch on event
- ii) due to the cessation of monthly markets, future councillor surgeries be held within the library building

2301/12 Items to Note and any Urgent Matters

- i) Cllr Bailey asked for an update regarding the VIC website launch. The Clerk advised that works were ongoing
- ii) the Clerk provided an update regarding the town brand

2301/13 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 7 March 2023 at 7:00pm

The meeting closed at 7.57pm

Signed :

Date: