#### Woodley Town Council

## Minutes of a meeting of the Strategy & Resources Committee held at the Oakwood Centre on Tuesday 17 September 2019 at 8:00 pm

Present:	Councillors S. Brindley (Chairman); J. Anderson; A. Chadwick; K. Gilder; T. McCann; B. Rowland; P. Wicks
Officers present:	D. Mander, Town Clerk; K. Murray, Deputy Town Clerk; L. Matthews, Committee Officer
Also present:	<i>Councillor M. Doyle Sam Milligan, Just Around the Corner charity 1 member of the public</i>

## 16. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K. Baker and J. Cheng.

## 17. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made by Members.

## 18. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4 JUNE 2019

#### **RESOLVED:**

• That the minutes of the Strategy and Resources Committee meeting of 4 June 2019 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### 19. JUST AROUND THE CORNER CHARITY (JAC)

The Chairman welcomed Sam Milligan, a director of JAC, to the meeting to answer Members' questions.

Sam Milligan was asked how young people had changed since JAC started their work in Woodley in the 1990s. He replied that the most noticeable difference was that the young people were congregating in smaller groups than in the past and were more likely to move around from area to area, rather than staying close to where they lived. Members asked about the problem of drug dealing, as many residents had complained that the police did not seem interested in trying to prevent this. Sam Milligan replied that JAC were aware of the problem and had discussed this with the police, but that the drug dealing operations were very sophisticated, often using large numbers of young people so that each of them only carried a small quantity of drugs and small amounts of money, making it very difficult for the police to make any arrests.

When asked whether young teenagers needed a place of safety within Woodley, Sam Milligan replied that the provision for young people in Woodley was better than most other places in Wokingham borough, with sports clubs, youth organisations and church-run youth clubs. This did not mean that the provision could not be improved, and that was the aim of the Community Youth Partnership. Sam Milligan said that over the years young people had become less inclined to join organised clubs and were more likely to meet up and wander around outside; this was the reason that JAC engaged in street work. In reply to a suggestion that young people could not be targeted by drug dealers if they had a safe place to go that was off the streets, Sam Milligan pointed out that clubs could only be

provided for a few hours each week and the aim was therefore to make the streets safe for young people and the whole community.

Members then asked the Town Clerk about the service level agreement that JAC had with the Town Council and asked whether JAC reported the number of young people from Woodley that they worked with. Sam Milligan informed Members that JAC provide a report at each meeting of the Leisure Services Committee and agreed to include in the reports the number of young people that JAC engaged with. When asked about the proportion of volunteers among the JAC workers, Sam Milligan replied that it was approximately 50%.

Sam Milligan was asked about problems with groups of young people that had been reported in specific areas of Woodley and was asked whether there was a problem with teenagers on mopeds. He replied that at some times in the past there had been problems caused by large numbers of teenagers on mopeds, but that currently very few young people were riding them.

As there were no more questions, the Chairman thanked Sam Milligan for coming to the meeting.

# 20. **<u>FINANCE</u>**

#### a) Budgetary Control

The Town Clerk presented Report No. SR 18/19.

#### **RESOLVED:**

• To note Report No. SR 18/19.

#### b) Payments

#### **RESOLVED:**

To approve the following payments, listed in Appendix A (June), Appendix B (July) and Appendix C (August):

	Current account	Imprest account
June 2019	£248,637.14	£52,865.95
July 2019	£104,766.90	£49,595.96
August 2019	£115,655.70	£51,839.12

## 21. OAKWOOD CENTRE UPDATE

The Deputy Town Clerk presented Report No. SR 19/19. He informed Members that during the current temporary closure of Woodley Library, the library service had made various bookings in the Oakwood Centre to accommodate community services and provide a place for book returns. This was bringing more people into the Oakwood Centre and the café.

## **RESOLVED:**

• To note Report No. SR 19/19.

#### 22. OAKWOOD CENTRE REPAIR WORKS

The Deputy Town Clerk presented Report No. SR 20/19, which summarised the problems of water ingress into the Oakwood Centre, provided the results of the surveys carried out to determine the causes of the problems and outlined the proposed actions to repair the defects. Members were also informed of the cost of the surveys and the fees that would be charged for the project management of the repair work. The estimated costs of the repair

works had not yet been established, but would be reported to the Committee when they were available.

The Deputy Town Clerk informed Members that, in order to ensure that the work was carried out properly, it was proposed that RAM Building Consultancy be appointed to produce the tender documents, oversee the tender process, make recommendations on the appointment of a contractor and project manage the repair work. The importance of ensuring that the work was covered by a warranty was noted. Under regulation 13a(ii) of the Council's Financial Regulations, specialist services such as surveyor services do not require the Council to obtain comparison quotes.

## **RESOLVED:**

- To note Report No. SR 20/19.
- That RAM Consultancy be appointed to progress the project to RIBA Stages 3 and 4 as detailed in the report.

#### 23. CATERING PARTNERSHIP

The Deputy Town Clerk presented Reports No. SR 21/19 and SR 22/19 of the Catering Partnership meetings held on 27 June and 13 September 2019. Members noted that Brown Bag would be closing their café in Library Parade at the end of September and that this would enable Brown Bag to focus on the Oakwood Centre and look at revamping their operation.

#### **RESOLVED:**

- To note Report No. SR 21/19.
- To note Report No. SR 22/19.

## 24. WOODLEY TOWN CENTRE MANAGEMENT INITIATIVE (WTCMI)

Members discussed the issue of trying to increase the footfall at the northern end of the town centre and the Town Clerk agreed to ask the Town Centre Manager to consider this matter. In response to a question, the Town Clerk confirmed that officers were looking at the terms of a service level agreement relating to the WTCMI and hoped to report back to the next meeting.

#### **RESOLVED:**

- To note the report of the Woodley Town Centre Management Initiative Executive Sub Committee meeting held on 4 June 2019.
- To note the report of the Woodley Town Centre Management Initiative meeting held on 3 July 2019.

#### 25. MALONE PARK

Members noted the correspondence received from Susan Parsonage, Chief Executive Officer, Wokingham Borough Council, and the Town Clerk informed Members that she had arranged to meet the Wokingham Borough Council Head of Strategic Assets later in the week to discuss the Town Council's request that ownership of the land at Malone Park be transferred to Woodley Town Council.

## 26. **PUBLIC SECTOR EQUALITY DUTY**

The Town Clerk presented the proposed Woodley Town Council Equality and Diversity Statement and Policy. In reply to a question from Councillor Doyle, the Town Clerk confirmed that the Committee's approval of this statement and policy would not affect the motion that Councillor Doyle had submitted to be discussed at the Council meeting on 1 October 2019.

Members discussed the provisions of the proposed statement and policy and the Town Clerk confirmed that they would be published on the Council's website and that staff and councillors would receive the necessary training.

# **RESOLVED:**

 To adopt the proposed Woodley Town Council Equality and Diversity Statement and Policy with regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty, as attached at Appendices D and E.

## 27. **PROJECTS SCHEDULE 2019/20**

The Deputy Town Clerk presented the updated Projects Schedule 2019/20.

# **RESOLVED:**

• To note the information contained in the updated Projects Schedule 2019/20.

# 28. WOODLEY TOWN COUNCIL WEBSITE STATISTICS

Members noted the statistics for website views, searches and usage given in the agenda. In response to a comment by Councillor Doyle that the website was only visited by people wanting to book the Council's facilities, the Deputy Town Clerk said that development of the website was an ongoing process carried out by the PR/Marketing Working Group and that he would invite Councillor Doyle to the next meeting of the working group. The need to update the Town Centre website was noted and the Town Clerk reported that this was in hand.

## 29. **PUBLIC TOILET UPDATE**

The Town Clerk informed Members that since the town centre public toilet was opened to the public on 8 June 2019, takings of £115 had been received up to the end of August, representing an estimated 575 visits, although this was accepted to be an over-estimate as the unit did not give change if visitors did not have the exact money.

The Deputy Town Clerk confirmed that a problem with the tap and wash basin had been resolved.

# 30. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL)

- a) Members noted that the July Neighbourhood CIL Proportion (Transfer to Parish/Town Councils) Report identified potential CIL funds to the Town Council of £188,597.
- b) Members noted that the Council had been notified that CIL payment of £21,219 was due to be paid to the Town Council and that a further £26,474 due to the Town Council had been invoiced by the Borough Council but not yet received by them. Currently the Town Council was holding £26,584 of CIL funds in an earmarked reserve.
- c) Members considered a proposal from Wokingham Borough Council that £7,000 of CIL funds be allocated to take part in the Health Kiosk trial and had concerns that there was no infrastructure in place to refer people for further advice or investigations if the kiosk indicated that this was necessary. Members felt that there were better ways of monitoring public well-being and also noted that the £7,000 would only cover a trial period of six months.

## **RESOLVED:**

• That the proposal from Wokingham Borough Council to allocate £7,000 of CIL funds to take part in the Health Kiosk trial be refused.

## 31. WOKINGHAM TOWN AND PARISH CLERKS FORUM

The Town Clerk informed Members that Wokingham Town and Parish Clerks Forum was working with the Borough Council to look at ways of improving the partnership between town and parish councils and the Borough Council.

## 32. BOROUGH/PARISH LIAISON FORUM

Members noted the minutes of the Borough/Parish Liaison Forum held on 1 July 2019. The minutes stated that the police "Book of Scams" would be circulated to town and parish councils and Members asked that this be chased up and, when received, be placed on the Council's website and advertised in the Herald.

33. It was proposed by the Chairman and

## **RESOLVED:**

• That as the business was unlikely to be completed by 10pm the meeting continue in order to complete the business set out in the agenda.

## 34. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

An item about current play facilities in Woodley for disabled children was requested.

[Town Clerk's note: This proposal has already been raised by the Leisure Services Committee, where this item will be discussed once information is provided.]

## 35. **PUBLICITY AND WEBSITE**

No additional items were put forward to be publicised or added to the website.

# 36. **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

## **RESOLVED:**

 That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted in relation to commercial and legal matters, it was advisable in the public interest that the public and press were temporarily excluded and asked to withdraw for the following agenda items.

## 37. ROOFING AT WOODFORD PARK LEISURE CENTRE

The Deputy Town Clerk presented Report No. SR 23/19.

# **RESOLVED:**

• To note Report No. SR 23/19.

## 38. WOODLEY AIRFIELD CENTRE

The Town Clerk presented Report No. SR 24/19 and informed Members that she had finally managed to arrange a meeting with the Wokingham Borough Council Head of Strategic Assets to discuss this matter. The meeting would take place later in the week.

## **RESOLVED:**

- To note Report No. SR 24/19.
- That the Town Clerk would advise the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the outcome of the meeting.

# 39. CONVEYANCE RELATING TO LAND IN WOODLEY

The Town Clerk presented Report No. SR 25/19.

## **RESOLVED:**

- To note Report No. SR 25/19.
- That the Town Clerk be directed to discuss this matter further with the Council's solicitors and that a report be provided accordingly at the next meeting of the Committee.

The meeting closed at 10:30 pm

#### Current Account List of Payments made between 01/06/2019 and 30/06/2019

Date Paid Payee Name 14-Jun-19 A Better Drainflow Ltd 05-Jun-19 Advanced Maintenance UK Ltd 12-Jun-19 Alan Hadley Ltd 14-Jun-19 Anchor Vans 05-Jun-19 BALC 07-Jun-19 Be Fuelcards Ltd 14-Jun-19 Be Fuelcards Ltd 20-Jun-19 Bowak Ltd 05-Jun-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 12-Jun-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 20-Jun-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 05-Jun-19 Brown Bag Cafe Ltd 10-Jun-19 BT Telephone Payment Centre 14-Jun-19 Castle Water 14-Jun-19 CDK Casting Ltd 03-Jun-19 CF Corporate Finance Ltd 03-Jun-19 Club Manager Ltd 24-Jun-19 Crown Gas & Power 14-Jun-19 DANFO UK Ltd 12-Jun-19 Dejac Associates Ltd 20-Jun-19 Dejac Associates Ltd 20-Jun-19 EDF Energy 1 Ltd 12-Jun-19 Epos Now Ltd D/D 20-Jun-19 Ethos Communications Solutions Ltd 20-Jun-19 Farol Ltd 12-Jun-19 Fencing Products Ltd 20-Jun-19 Fenland Leisure Products Ltd 20-Jun-19 Fraser Office Supplies Ltd 11-Jun-19 Global 4 Communications 20-Jun-19 HMRC Cumbernauld 20-Jun-19 IBS Office Solutions Ltd 14-Jun-19 IMAGE BOX 03-Jun-19 InTouch 14-Jun-19 John Willis 14-Jun-19 Just Tiles Ltd 14-Jun-19 Lantec Security Ltd 27-Jun-19 Les Mills Fitness UK Ltd 20-Jun-19 Lightatouch 14-Jun-19 Lister Wilder Ltd 20-Jun-19 Lister Wilder Ltd 04-Jun-19 Lloyds Bank D/D 14-Jun-19 Lloyds Bank D/D 17-Jun-19 Mainstream Digital Ltd 17-Jun-19 Merchant Rentals Ltd 17-Jun-19 Merchant Rentals Ltd 20-Jun-19 Mrs K Vevers 05-Jun-19 Piercing Glance Ltd 21-Jun-19 Pitney Bowes Ltd 14-Jun-19 Playsafety Ltd 12-Jun-19 Plusnet Plc

Amount Paid 90.00 Clear drain blockage - WPLC 900.00 Remove tank & replace pipe 297.00 Refuse collection 11222.80 Purchase maintenance van (Cap prog) 3103.06 BALC subscription 2019/2020 0.76 Admin charge 49.68 Petrol - Depot 317.46 Cleaning supplies 244.86 Vending supplies 350,33 Vending supplies 557.37 Vending supplies 221.76 Catering services 173.52 Phone 1868.27 Water rates 96.60 Bronze plaque 166.32 WPLC Qtrly photocopier charge 80.40 Club Manager membership 559.39 Gas supply 546.19 Gas supply 131.10 Gas supply 117.53 Gas supply 85200.00 New WTC public toilet 780.00 New email server - councillors 120.00 2 year certificate -email 23,74 Electrical supply 30.00 EPOS till mthly charge 272.08 Qtrly photocopier charge & printing 89,73 Flymo blade/strimmer head 79.20 half round posts 282.12 Play ground chains repair/belt seat 706.94 Stationery supplies 294.86 Phone 14115.65 PAYE & NI 707.75 Qtrly photocopier charge & printing 108.00 Foamex sign boards-Lake project 35.99 Website support 125.00 Window cleaning 92.16 Ultra leveling compound 3657.20 Move fire alarm WPLC/lights OC 197.76 Coach 208.33 Internal audit services 163,78 Hedge shears/chain lubricant 292.70 Votex blade set - Depot 43.14 Bank sevice charge 247.09 Monthly cardnet service charge 1.00 Phone 15.29 Monthly cardnet charge 15.44 Monthly cardnet charge 650.00 Woodley Herald - delivery 116.70 Staff uniform-maintenace team 150.00 Postage franking machine top up 577.20 Park inspections 52.20 Phone

- 18-Jun-19 Plusnet Plc 20-Jun-19 Prudential 26-Jun-19 Public Works Loan Board 04-Jun-19 Rathbones Investment 14-Jun-19 Rialtas Business Solutions Ltd 14-Jun-19 Rigby Taylor 04-Jun-19 SGW Payroll Ltd 17-Jun-19 Siemens Financial Services 05-Jun-19 Spriggan Promotions Ltd 14-Jun-19 SSE Southern Electric 28-Jun-19 SWALEC 14-Jun-19 Technical Surfaces Ltd 20-Jun-19 The Berkshire Pension Fund 12-Jun-19 The Big Display Co 05-Jun-19 The Interactive Health & Safety Co Ltd 14-Jun-19 Token Security Solutions Ltd 20-Jun-19 Trade UK - Screwfix 20-Jun-19 Travis Perkins Trading Co 20-Jun-19 Tudor Environmental 20-Jun-19 Unison Collection Ac 18-Jun-19 Vodafone 03-Jun-19 Wokingham BC - Rates 05-Jun-19 Woodley Newsagent Ltd
- 52.20 Phone 7.24 AVC payment deducted from pay 10640.58 Public Works Loan 80000.00 2019/2020 Investment 342.00 Bookings software support 737.66 Lawn sand/Sulphur/Fineturf Bio 176.18 Payroll services 1100.80 Gym equip monthly rental 800.00 Centre Stage entertainment 1689.66 Electrical supply 14.70 Electrical supply 840.00 3G service - AstroTech supply 15712.06 Pension - employers and employees 337.93 Events medals with ribbons 120.00 Online training package 24.00 Call out charge 266.33 Building supplies 10.00 Building supplies 1218.30 Presure washer/welding rods 34.00 Union fees deducted from pay 295.05 Phone 2246.00 Rates - WPLC 358.00 Rates - Coro Hall 162.00 Rates - Chapel Hall 884.00 Rates - Oakwood 23,00 Newspapers 248637.14

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Date Paid Payee Name 03-Jun-19 (Personal Information) 17-Jun-19 (Personal Information) 18-Jun-19 (Personal Information) 24-Jun-19 (Personal Information) 26-Jun-19 (Personal Information) 12-Jun-19 (Personal Information) 06-Jun-19 Anglo Aguatic Plan 27-Jun-19 Birmingham Telecom 27-Jun-19 Carbonite 25-Jun-19 DVLA Vehicle Tax 03-Jun-19 Hearing Dogs 26-Jun-19 Llloyds Bank 27-Jun-19 Lloyds Bank 14-Jun-19 Lloyds Bank D/D 03-Jun-19 McAfee.com 17-Jun-19 MS Society Reading 03-Jun-19 PETTY CASH A/C 26-Jun-19 PETTY CASH A/C 11-Jun-19 Plasticsheets 17-Jun-19 Printed.com 25-Jun-19 Ryman.co.uk

Amount Paid 50.00 Refund deposit 26.99 Gym membership charged twice 20.00 Refund WPLC party 50.00 Refund deposit 50.00 Refund deposit 76.00 Refund deposit 50.00 Refund deposit 133.18 World of Water-Lake project 50.00 Refund deposit 117.67 2x days holiday pay net 200.00 Refund deposit 1453.56 Lake project plants 43.13 Panasonic KX-T7433 Headset 68.18 WTCMI backup-Carbonite 260.00 MW65 EHN - Vehicle Tax 50.40 Paid in error to WTC 48956.96 Net payroll-June 2019 1.87 Transaction fee-Carbonite 14.34 Bank service charges 89.99 Annual subscription 362.50 Payment to Mayor's charity 2018-19 107.27 Top up petty cash 139.32 Top up petty cash 94.01 Clear Perspex sheets 90.58 WP Dog signs 310.00 Comb binding machine 52865.95

#### Current Account List of Payments made between 01/07/2019 and 31/07/2019

Date Paid Payee Name 05-Jul-19 Advanced Maintenance UK Ltd 03-Jul-19 Alan Hadley Ltd 12-Jul-19 Alan Hadley Ltd 26-Jul-19 Alan Hadley Ltd 19-Jul-19 All Glass Window Cleaning 19-Jul-19 Allen's Design & Print Ltd 03-Jul-19 AYS Cleaning Contractors Ltd 12-Jul-19 AYS Cleaning Contractors Ltd 26-Jul-19 AYS Cleaning Contractors Ltd 12-Jul-19 Be Fuelcards Ltd 26-Jul-19 Be Fuelcards Ltd 19-Jul-19 Berkshire Pension Fund 19-Jul-19 Bowak Ltd 03-Jul-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 05-Jul-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 26-Jul-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 03-Jul-19 Brewers Decorator Centrers 03-Jul-19 Brown Bag Cafe Ltd 12-Jul-19 Brown Bag Cafe Ltd 26-Jul-19 Brown Bag Cafe Ltd 12-Jul-19 Castle Water 03-Jul-19 Churchill Contract Services Ltd 26-Jul-19 Churchill Contract Services Ltd 01-Jul-19 Club Manager Ltd 03-Jul-19 CoolerAid Ltd 26-Jul-19 CoolerAid Ltd 22-Jul-19 Crown Gas & Power 12-Jul-19 Derbyshire Services 05-Jul-19 Earth Anchors Ltd 12-Jul-19 EDF Energy 1 Ltd 16-Jul-19 Epos Now Ltd D/D 19-Jul-19 Eventu 03-Jul-19 Farol Ltd 12-Jul-19 Farol Ltd 05-Jul-19 Fencina Products Ltd 19-Jul-19 Fraser Office Supplies Ltd 09-Jul-19 Global 4 Communications 12-Jul-19 Greenspace Designs Ltd 19-Jul-19 HMRC Cumbernauld 01-Jul-19 InTouch 05-Jul-19 JMVA Ltd 05-Jul-19 John Stacey - Sons Ltd 12-Jul-19 John Stacey - Sons Ltd 12-Jul-19 John Willis 19-Jul-19 Just Around The Corner 12-Jul-19 Kim Bedford 26-Jul-19 Kingfisher Direct Ltd 03-Jul-19 Lamps-Tubes Luminations Ltd 19-Jul-19 Laundry Depot 29-Jul-19 Les Mills Fitness UK Ltd

Amount Paid 220.20 Call out charge/repair 297.00 Refuse collection 297.00 Refuse collection 297.00 Refuse collection 60.00 Window cleaning 270.00 WTCMI-Market banners 3515.82 Contract Cleaning 30,38 Contract Cleaning 2237.75 Contract Cleaning 43.61 Petrol - depot 15.83 Diesel - MW65 EHN 15767.85 Pension - employers and employees 803.72 Cleaning supplies 428.64 Vending supplies 180.34 Vending supplies 646.76 Vending supplies 124.96 Building supplies 1066.14 Catering services 190.08 Catering services 1039.80 Catering services 1412.51 Water rates 2484.90 Contract Cleaning 2484.90 Contract Cleaning 80.40 Club Manager membership 212.08 Bottled water 118.37 Bottled water 410.81 Gas supply 203.65 Gas supply 117.12 Gas supply 85.80 Gas supply 57.83 Kids size litter pickers 214.74 Red Neatasac dog sacks 18.49 Electrical supply 30.00 EPOS till mthly charge 15.00 Attendance at meeting & advice 3576.00 Two wheeled drive tractor power unit 94.45 Strimmer cord/grease gun 1294.92 WP Lake project - rails/posts 279.31 Stationery supplies 293.71 Phone 1800.00 WP Lake project - Triangular dipping ponds 13761.72 PAYE & NI 35.99 Website support 43.75 Web support services 696.00 Refuse collection 720.00 Refuse collection 125.00 Window cleaning 6338.00 Grant 358.95 Councillor training 341.89 Dog bins 174.00 WTCMI-engineers lighting repairs 64.80 Laundry table cloths

02-Jul-19 Llovds Bank D/D 12-Jul-19 Lloyds Bank D/D 26-Jul-19 Lyreco UK Ltd 12-Jul-19 Mainstream Digital Ltd 03-Jul-19 Maintel Europe Ltd 03-Jul-19 McFarlane Telfer Ltd 12-Jul-19 McVeigh Parker & Co Ltd 15-Jul-19 Merchant Rentals Ltd 15-Jul-19 Merchant Rentals Ltd 12-Jul-19 PHS Group 19-Jul-19 PHS Group 12-Jul-19 Plusnet Plc 18-Jul-19 Plusnet Plc 19-Jul-19 Prudential 05-Jul-19 Reading Borough Council 12-Jul-19 Rialtas Business Solutions Ltd 05-Jul-19 Seton 08-Jul-19 SGW Payroll Ltd 15-Jul-19 SGW Payroll Ltd 15-Jul-19 Siemens Financial Services 03-Jul-19 SSE Southern Electric 12-Jul-19 SSE Southern Electric 19-Jul-19 SSE Southern Electric 12-Jul-19 Stackhouse Poland Ltd 26-Jul-19 SWALEC 03-Jul-19 T H White Ltd 26-Jul-19 Technical Surfaces Ltd 03-Jul-19 Thames Valley Water Services Ltd 19-Jul-19 Thames Valley Water Services Ltd 26-Jul-19 Thames Valley Water Services Ltd 19-Jul-19 The Letterworks Ltd 12-Jul-19 The Wokingham Paper Ltd 03-Jul-19 Thomas Fattorini 19-Jul-19 Token Security Solutions Ltd 03-Jul-19 Trade UK - BandQ 19-Jul-19 Trade UK - BandQ 03-Jul-19 Trade UK - Screwfix 19-Jul-19 Trade UK - Screwfix 19-Jul-19 Unison Collection Ac 03-Jul-19 Veolia ES - UK Ltd 26-Jul-19 Veolia ES - UK Ltd 18-Jul-19 Vodafone 03-Jul-19 Windowflowers Ltd 01-Jul-19 Wokingham BC - Rates 03-Jul-19 Wokingham Pools & Spas 26-Jul-19 Wokingham Pools & Spas 23-Jul-19 Woodley Carnival

255.36 WP Lake project - Galv welded mesh 15.44 Monthly cardnet charge 15.29 Monthly cardnet charge 118.21 Dust mats - gtrly rental 92.17 Dust mats - qtrly rental 52.20 Phone 52.20 Phone 307.24 AVC payment deducted from pay 3650.00 Half yearly allotmentsite lease rent 198.00 Allotments software annual support 396.94 spray cans for road marking 188.42 Payroll services 18.00 Payroll services 1100.80 Gym equip monthly rental 1138.53 Electrical supply 1410.01 Electrical supply 212.60 Electrical supply 524.16 New maintenace vehicle insurance 26.64 Electrical supply 4.00 Spark plug 480.00 3G rubber infill bags 336.00 Water safety checks 204.00 Water safety checks 414.00 Water safety checks 767.00 July 2019- printing Woodley Herald 180.00 WTCMI-Adverts 5927.52 New Mayorial chain/case/velvet backing 24.00 Call out charge 230.65 Building supplies 1039.74 Building supplies 1416.76 Building supplies 492.64 Building supplies 34.00 Union fees deducted from pay 699.11 Refuse collection 603.99 Refuse collection 287.74 Phone 5713.20 WTCMI-Baskets & Plants 2246.00 Rates - WPLC 358.00 Rates - Coro Hall 162.00 Rates - Chapel Hall 884.00 Rates - Oakwood

41.89 Bank sevice charge

338.71 Stationery supplies

59.05 Phone

206.54 Monthly cardnet service charge

348.42 Annual phone support WPLC

846.00 Servicing catering equipment

- 1764.00 Stregthen pool linings
- 210.00 Chlorine tablets
- 3000.00 Grant
- 104766.90

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08-Jul-19 Wickes Building

Amount Paid 90.00 Refund deposit 50.00 Refund deposit 200.00 Refund deposit 15.00 Refund deposit 50.00 Refund deposit 200.00 Refund deposit 50.00 Refund deposit 20.00 Refund deposit 50.00 Refund deposit 50.00 Refund deposit 71.50 Kraft 12oz Ripple cups 318.50 Refund invoice paid twice 100.00 Refund deposit 149.00 Fridge Freezer WPLC 260.00 Vehicle Tax - KD51 WTW 21.66 Hypa Cold Pack/Triangular band 46778.59 July 2019 net payroll 14.59 Bank service charges 50.00 Refund deposit 34.70 Flyers & Leaflets 217.92 2x Vinyl Banners-Picnic day 14.50 Paid in error to WTC 490.00 Tarmac/Ashphalt&Pothole repair 49595.96

#### **Woodley Town Council**

#### **Current Account**

#### List of Payments made between 01/08/2019 and 31/08/2019

Date Paid Pavee Name 09-Aug-19 Advanced Maintenance UK Ltd 16-Aug-19 Advanced Maintenance UK Ltd 02-Aug-19 Alan Hadley Ltd 22-Aug-19 Alan Hadley Ltd 02-Aug-19 Alan Harland 22-Aug-19 ASAP Computer Services 22-Aug-19 AYS Cleaning Contractors Ltd 02-Aug-19 Basil and Crew 02-Aug-19 Be Fuelcards Ltd 23-Aug-19 Be Fuelcards Ltd 22-Aug-19 Bowak Ltd 02-Aug-19 Bradleys Master Locksmiths 02-Aug-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 09-Aug-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 16-Aug-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 22-Aug-19 Brake Bros Foodservice Ltd 22-Aug-19 Brewers Decorator Centrers 02-Aug-19 Brown Bag Cafe Ltd 09-Aug-19 Brown Bag Cafe Ltd 22-Aug-19 Brown Bag Cafe Ltd 22-Aug-19 Broxap Ltd 23-Aug-19 BT Telephone Payment Centre 09-Aug-19 Castle Water 01-Aug-19 Club Manager Ltd 22-Aug-19 CoolerAid Ltd 22-Aug-19 Crown Gas & Power 16-Aug-19 DCK Accounting Solutions Ltd 09-Aug-19 Dejac Associates Ltd 16-Aug-19 Dejac Associates Ltd 09-Aug-19 EDF Energy 1 Ltd 22-Aug-19 Energy Electrical Distributors Ltd 12-Aug-19 Epos Now Ltd D/D 22-Aug-19 Evolution Water Services Ltd 09-Aug-19 FMC Ltd 22-Aug-19 Fraser Office Supplies Ltd 09-Aug-19 Global 4 Communications 02-Aug-19 Henley Theatre Services Ltd 22-Aug-19 HMRC Cumbernauld 30-Aug-19 Information Commissioner's Off 01-Aug-19 InTouch 16-Aug-19 JMVA Ltd 16-Aug-19 John Willis 16-Aug-19 Katrina J Belton 09-Aug-19 Kim Bedford 16-Aug-19 Lantec Security Ltd 22-Aug-19 Laundry Depot 02-Aug-19 Leonard Tridgell Associates 27-Aug-19 Les Mills Fitness UK Ltd 16-Aug-19 Lightatouch 09-Aug-19 Lister Wilder Ltd 22-Aug-19 Lister Wilder Ltd 14-Aug-19 Lloyds Bank D/D

Amount Paid 576.00 Gas tightness test - WPLC 456.00 Pipe alteration - WPLC 297.00 Refuse collection 297.00 Refuse collection 520.00 Assistance with year end accounts 7737.91 New computers/software WPLC 2230.13 Contract Cleaning 425.00 WTC Community picnic 141.98 Petrol/Diesel-depot/van 47.23 Diesel 243.17 Cleaning supplies 1317.60 Phoenix Firefox Safe-WTC 588.37 Vending supplies 320.75 Vending supplies 321.69 Vending supplies 640.68 Vending supplies 186.87 Building supplies 520.32 Catering services 149.36 Catering services 1628.08 Catering services 1197.60 Cast iron seats 153.72 Phone 3144.79 Water rates 80.40 Club Manager membership 315.65 Bottled water 339.47 Gas supply 201.75 Gas supply 105.07 Gas supply 56.11 Gas supply 468.00 Calculation of VAT partial exemption 234.00 Update software on WTC computers 823.20 Update software on WTC computers 14.47 Electrical supply 259.38 Electrical supplies 30.00 EPOS till mthly charge 300.00 Staff training-Legionella awareness 14488.24 WPLC office regeneration 143.30 Stationery supplies 297.90 Phone 3513.16 Electrical/Pat/weight testing OC theatre 14578.63 PAYE & NI 35.00 Data protection fee 35.99 Website support 35.00 Website support 125.00 Window cleaning 110.00 Refund payment made twice in error 358.95 Councillor training 1432.80 Fire Alarm theatre repair 99.80 Laundry table cloths 720.00 Professional fees-public toilet 197.76 Coach

- 50.00 Review financial regulations draft
- 91.19 Blades for Kubuta vehicle
- 35.62 Re-coil spring/windscreen cleaner depot
- 291.59 Monthly cardnet service charge

22-Aug-19 Lyreco UK Ltd 14-Aug-19 Mainstream Digital Ltd 02-Aug-19 Margaret Macknelly Design 15-Aug-19 Merchant Rentals Ltd 15-Aug-19 Merchant Rentals Ltd 16-Aug-19 Mrs S C Ellis 16-Aug-19 National Association of Civic Office 22-Aug-19 Office Furniture Online 02-Aug-19 Pest Control Wokingham 02-Aug-19 PHS Group 12-Aug-19 Plusnet Plc 19-Aug-19 Plusnet Plc 22-Aug-19 Prudential 16-Aug-19 Reading Community Energy Soc Lt 16-Aug-19 Roof Asset Management 02-Aug-19 Seton 05-Aug-19 SGW Payroll Ltd 15-Aug-19 Siemens Financial Services 09-Aug-19 Sports & Fitness Flooring Ltd 02-Aug-19 SSE Southern Electric 16-Aug-19 SSE Southern Electric 27-Aug-19 SWALEC 02-Aug-19 Technical Surfaces Ltd 16-Aug-19 Thames Valley Water Services Ltd 22-Aug-19 The Berkshire Pension Fund 02-Aug-19 The Institute of Groundsmanship 22-Aug-19 Trade UK - BandO 22-Aug-19 Trade UK - Screwfix 16-Aug-19 Tudor Environmental 22-Aug-19 Unison Collection Ac 22-Aug-19 Veolia ES - UK Ltd 19-Aug-19 Vodafone 16-Aug-19 WFL UK Ltd 01-Aug-19 Wokingham BC - Rates 01-Aug-19 Wokingham BC - Rates 01-Aug-19 Wokingham BC - Rates 01-Aug-19 Wokingham BC - Rates

- 23.98 Stationery supplies
- 3.51 Phone
- 168.75 Herald design/Cllr graphics
- 15.29 Monthly cardnet charge
- 15.44 Monthly cardnet charge
- 44.90 Assistance with GDPR process
- 95.00 Staff training
- 1965.60 WPLC office furniture
  - 60.00 Removal of wasp nests
  - 364.74 Qtrly dust mat charge OC/WPLC
  - 52.20 Phone
  - 52.20 Phone
- 307.24 AVC payment deducted from pay
- 1598.20 Solar panel electrical supply WPLC
- 6470.82 Oakwood ctre site inspection/mtg valuations
- 1013.41 Line marking cans/signs
  - 178.22 Payroll services
- 1100.80 Gym equip monthly rental
- 10655.74 WPLC new flooring
  - 824.10 Electrical supply
- 2595.74 Electrical supply
- 31.64 Electrical supply
- 360.00 3G matchfit service
- 954.00 Water safety checks
- 16105.16 Pension employers and employees
  - 150.00 Annual membership
  - 77.52 Building supplies
  - 317.43 Building supplies
  - 342.00 Pressure washer/sharpen chipper blade
  - 34.00 Union fees deducted from pay
  - 694.93 Refuse collection
  - 281.46 Phone
- 2043.00 Diesel Depot
- 2246.00 Rates WPLC
  - 358.00 Rates Coro Hall
  - 162.00 Rates Chapel Hall
  - 884.00 Rates Oakwood
- 115655.70

#### **CLERKS IMPREST A/C**

Date Paid	Payee Name	Amount Paid	
19-Aug-19	(Personal Information)	20.00	WPLC course refund
12-Aug-19	(Personal Information)	200.00	Refill darts for Nerf N-Strike
19-Aug-19	(Personal Information)	50.00	Refund deposit
19-Aug-19	(Personal Information)	50.00	Refund deposit
05-Aug-19	(Personal Information)	50.00	Refund deposit
06-Aug-19	247 Curtains.co.uk	207.00	Coro Hall-Ready made curtains
12-Aug-19	Amazon.co.uk	18.39	Refill darts for Nerf N-Strike
16-Aug-19	CPC.co.uk	49.98	WPLC TV booster
12-Aug-19	Dance Reality	100.00	Refund deposit
06-Aug-19	First Fence	655.44	fencing panels/coupling
28-Aug-19	Lloyds Bank	49180.97	Aug 19 payroll
09-Aug-19	Lloyds Bank D/D	14.12	Bank service charges
15-Aug-19	Poles Direct.com	155.15	Curtain poles - Coro Hall
08-Aug-19	Salt Supermarket	284.99	Hydrosoft salt tablets
02-Aug-19	Solopress	23.82	Postcards - Oakwood Ctre
05-Aug-19	St Johns Ambulance	324.00	Health & Safety training
06-Aug-19	Wickes Building	455.26	Coro Hall - building supplies
		51839.12	

- List of Payments made between 01/08/2019 and 31/08/2019
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#### **WOODLEY TOWN COUNCIL**

# EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY STATEMENT

The aim of this policy is to explain the commitment of Woodley Town Council, its councillors and officers, to meet the Public Sector Equality Duty, in force from April 2011.

The Equality Duty applies to public bodies and others bodies carrying out public functions/services.

The Equality Duty supports good decision making and encourages public bodies to understand how different people will be affected by their activities so that policies and services are accessible to all and meet different people's needs. By understanding the effect of their activities on different people, and how inclusive public services can support and open up people's opportunities, public bodies are better placed to deliver policies and services that are efficient and effective. The Equality Duty helps public bodies to deliver the government's overall objectives for public services.

It is the Town Council's policy to provide representation, information, facilities, services and employment to all irrespective of:

- age
- disability
- gender reassignment
- pregnancy and maternity
- race this includes ethnic or national origins, colour or nationality
- religion or belief this includes lack of belief
- sex
- sexual orientation
- marriage and civil partnership

The Town Council is required to have due regard to the aims of the Act which are to:

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by the Act;
- advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it; and
- foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.

Woodley Town Council is opposed to all forms of unlawful and unfair discrimination and believes that supporting equality is important.

The Council aims to engender a culture where people's differences and values are respected and where dignity, equality and diversity are promoted. The Council will also aim to help individuals or groups to achieve their full potential in our community by removing barriers, bias or discrimination.

The Council's aim is to challenge discrimination and to provide equality and fairness to all in the community - it expects all councillors and employees to be aware of their duty under the Public Sector Equality Duty.

## **Equality Commitments**

The Town Council will:

- Promote equality of opportunity for all persons.
- Ensure a positive and harmonious environment where all are treated with respect.
- Prevent unlawful direct discrimination, indirect discrimination, harassment and victimisation.
- Take lawful and positive action where appropriate.
- Fulfil the Council's legal obligations under equality legislation and associated codes of practice.

#### WOODLEY TOWN COUNCIL

# **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY POLICY**

As an employer, Woodley Town Council has a duty to encourage and promote equality in providing its services and in carrying out its public functions.

The Town Council recognises the importance of its employees in achieving the Council's aims and their role in providing quality services. We aim to create an environment where all people are able to give their best; free from discrimination, harassment, victimisation and bullying - where everyone feels valued and motivated and decisions are based on merit.

## **OUR INTENT**

Woodley Town Council is committed to fairness and equality.

We will:

- Carry out employment practices, provide services and carry out public functions in a way that ensures that no employee, potential employee or service user is treated unfairly on the grounds of their sex, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion or belief, age, disability, gender-reassignment, pregnancy and maternity or any other grounds which cannot be justified, either job related or in law.
- Promote equality of opportunity for service users, employees and potential employees.
- Work with our partners to tackle prejudice where it occurs and promote understanding between different groups.

The commitment of the Town Clerk and councillors as well as the cooperation of employees are vital to the success of equality strategies.

## SCOPE AND APPLICATION

Members, employees and those acting on behalf of the Town Council, including other organisations and persons commissioned or contracted to deliver public functions, are responsible for implementing and supporting equality and diversity and have a duty to challenge all forms of discrimination, harassment and victimisation and promote equality of opportunity and good relations.

The policy is applicable to any employment matter in which equitable treatment of a current or potential employee may be an issue.

We acknowledge our responsibility to promote and encourage equality in the provision of services, employment practices and will include appropriate obligations in contracts with other organisations and persons commissioned or contracted to deliver services on the Town Council's behalf.

## EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

We recognise the obligation to provide equitable treatment to current and potential employees and the need to refrain from any discriminatory practice that may impair the Council's ability to make full use of skills and aptitudes of potential or existing employees.

When advertising jobs, writing job descriptions and person specifications, shortlisting and interviewing we will take care to ensure that unlawful discrimination does not occur and that

processes do not exclude members of a particular group that may face barriers in gaining employment.

Where possible and appropriate we will support people to access employment opportunities from under represented groups.

We aim to ensure equality and fairness in employment matters.

We have robust recruitment and selection practices in place.

All job applicants with a disability who meet all of the essential criteria for a job vacancy will be interviewed and considered on their abilities.

For employees who become disabled we will make every effort to enable them to continue to work for the council and will offer retraining where appropriate.

We will make reasonable adjustments for existing employees and those attending for interview where required.

## TRAINING AND LEARNING

We are committed to equality of opportunity in the provision of training opportunities. We wish to engender a working environment that is safe and supportive and where employees are able to learn and develop and work to the best of their abilities.

## SERVICE DELIVERY AND CUSTOMER CARE

The Council regularly seeks the views of residents on the quality of our services and their suggestions for improvements. We will seek to find out more on whether our services are meeting the needs of users and where possible and appropriate include actions to meet the needs of people who are under represented or disadvantaged because of particular equalities issues.

#### Partnership working

We consult and work in partnership with several organisations and groups in the town and seek to promote equality and diversity.

#### Procurement

In procuring contracts for works the Town Council aims to ensure that all businesses have fair access to opportunities to work with the Council. In the delivery of these contracts we will ensure that evaluation models, specifications, contract conditions, quality requirements and monitoring procedures fully address equalities issues. We aim to ensure compliance with equalities legislations and use positive action provisions in assessing the commitment of firms tendering to the aims and value of this policy.

#### **Community engagement**

We aim to ensure that equality and diversity are part of community involvement and in doing so to try and meet the needs of different groups in an appropriate and sensitive manner. Involving local people and our partners is central to our work at the Town Council. Our policies will have a more lasting impact and services more responsive to local need if they are influenced by those they directly affect. We will continue to seek feedback and suggestions from the town's residents and our customers through the bi-annual residents survey and on specific service or provision projects as they occur.

# LEGISLATION

# Equality Act 2010

The Equality Act replaced existing anti-discrimination laws with a single act.

The main provisions of the Equality Act include:

- Protection against direct and indirect discrimination, harassment and victimisation in employment, services, public functions and premises
- Protection from discrimination by association and perception
- Enhanced protection for disabled people, their carers and families, including protection from discrimination arising out of disability and in recruitment procedures
- Extending protection from third party harassment to all equalities groups
- Allowing employers to take positive action in recruitment and promotion
- Requiring employers to report on gender pay gaps and making pay secrecy clauses unenforceable
- Require public bodies to take account of 'socio-economic disadvantage' when making strategic decisions
- Extending the existing race, gender and disability duties on public bodies to age, preganancy and maternity, religion and belief, gender and reassignment and sexual orientation requiring the Town Council to have due regard to the need to:
  - eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by the Act
  - advance equality of opportunity between all persons
  - foster good relations between all persons

## Human Rights Act 1998 (implemented October 2000)

Rights include freedom of thought, conscience and religion, freedom of expression and the right to privacy and not to be discriminated against in respect of these rights and freedoms.

# TYPES OF DISCRIMINATION

Woodley Town Council will address any of the following:

<u>Direct discrimination</u> - applying a policy, criteria or practice which, although applied to everyone equally, treats a person unfavourably on the grounds of their sex, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion or belief, age, disability and gender re-assignment and which cannot be shown to be justifiable.

<u>Discrimination arising out of disability</u> - treating a person less favourably because of something connected to their disability.

<u>Combined discrimination</u> - treating a person less favourably because of a combination of two equalities issues, for example race and sex.

<u>Discrimination by association</u> - treating a person less favourably because of their association with another, eg a disabled person.

<u>Perceptive discrimination</u> - treating a person less favourably because of particular perception, eg a person who is perceived to be gay.

<u>Victimisation</u> - a person being given less favourable treatment than another in the same circumstances because it is suspected or known that they have brought proceedings under legislation or given evidence or information relating to those proceedings or alleged that discrimination has occurred.

<u>Harassment and bullying</u> - unwanted conduct either intentional or unintentional, which violates a person's dignity or creates an intimidating, hostile, degrading, humiliating or offensive environment for another person. This includes harassment of a sexual nature or related to gender reassignment. Harassment can be on any basis including sex, race, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief and gender re-assignment - and extends to harassment by third parties and by association. Bullying is where someone uses their power or strength to undermine an employee or a groups of employees.

<u>Vicarious liability</u> - employers are liable for acts of unlawful discrimination by their employees, even if the employer did not approve or even know about the acts in question, unless they can prove they took such steps as were reasonably practical to prevent the discrimination.

Woodley Town Council is committed to promoting an environment where employees can work without fear of being intimidated, harassed, bullied or being subject to physical or verbal aggression.

# WOODLEY TOWN COUNCIL'S RESPONSIBILITIES

As an employer and service provider, the Town Council has a responsibility for ensuring equality of opportunity and is responsible for discrimination, harassment or victimisation by any employee, councillor or organisation delivering services on its behalf, whether or not it was done with the Town Council's approval.

The Town Council requires its employees and councillors, irrespective of their position on the Council to have responsibility in ensuring they read and understand policies and by being involved in their creation and implementation. Appropriate obligations will be included within any contracts with other organisations or persons commissioned or contracted to deliver services on behalf of the Town Council.

## Responsibilities:

Town Clerk - to assess employment practices in relation to this policy and advise on remedial action, where required and to coordinate the provision of advice, training and guidance to employees on equality and diversity in employment and delivering services.

Managers and supervisors must recognise their responsibility to adopt employment practices and provide services that are consistent with this policy and should promote an awareness of the principles involved to their colleagues.

Employees must cooperate with any measures to develop equality and diversity and refrain from any discriminatory actions or decisions as explained in this policy.

Councillors - Members must recognise their responsibility to meet the requirements of the Public Sector Equality Duty and the Human Rights Act. Equality and diversity training will be offered to all councillors.

# WOODLEY TOWN COUNCIL'S COMMITMENTS

- To ensure that the necessary resources are available to monitor equality and diversity.
- To ensure that employment practices and services are carried out in a way that ensures that no employee, potential employee or service user is treated unfavourably.
- To promote equality of opportunity.
- To promote good relations in the town.
- To ensure that all employees are aware of this policy.
- To provide guidance and training to all employees and councillors to ensure they understand their responsibilities under the law and this policy.
- To review policies and procedures and change them should they be found to be discriminatory.
- To monitor the existing workforce and job applicants.
- Publish relevant equalities information demonstrating the Town Council's progress in meeting on matters relating to the Equality Duty.
- Take disciplinary of any other appropriate action against any employee or councillor who breaches the Equality and Diversity policy.

In terms of service delivery:

- We will ensure that employees delivering services do not discriminate on any of the grounds set out in the Equality Duty.
- We will continue to assess and improve access to our facilities and services.
- We will review our services regularly, via the bi-annual residents survey and as a one-off exercise for specific projects, to make sure they meet the needs of everyone in the community.

## MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Where appropriate, we will include equalities information in reports to the Town Council and its committees and working parties, including equality objectives where relevant and progress on any objectives set.

September 2019