

## YEOVIL TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the meeting of **YEOVIL TOWN COUNCIL** held in the Council Chamber, Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil on **Tuesday 4 August 2009**

(7.30pm to 8.47pm)

### **Present:**

Wes Read – Mayor  
J Vincent Chainey  
Philip Chandler  
Clive Davis  
Tony Fife  
Julian Freke  
Dave Gooding  
John Grana  
Dave Greene

Steve Hawker  
Ruth Kendall  
Tony Lock  
Ian Martin  
Pat Martin  
Tom Parsley  
David Recardo  
Alan Smith

### **Also Present:**

Sarah Hunt  
Tony Hampson  
Richard Buckley

Assistant Town Clerk  
SHINE Project Manager  
SHINE (Chairman)

### **PRAYERS**

Reverend Howard Davenport led the Council in prayers on behalf of the Townspeople of Yeovil.

### **GRANTS PRESENTATIONS**

The Mayor presented grant cheques to representatives of the following organisations for the purposes indicated:

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
Monday Club Awareness Centre	£150	Towards general running costs
Yeovil & District Chrysanthemum & Dahlia Society	£450	Towards general running cost of society and its shows
Yeovil Olympiads Athletic Club	£800	To support the annual promotion of the Yeovil Games
Octagon Theatre	£1000	To assist with the cost of the annual Octagon Summer School
South Somerset Citizens Advice Bureau	£2000	To assist in the general running of the Bureau

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments from members of the public.

### **7/357 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 7 July 2009, copies of which had been circulated, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

7/358 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from John Cruddas, Bridget Dollard, Pete Goodman, Peter Gubbins and Andrew Kendall.

7/359 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

7/360 **MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S RECENT AND FORTHCOMING ENGAGEMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Details of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor's recent and forthcoming engagements and announcements were attached to the Agenda.

7/361 **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Assistant Town Clerk reported receipt of the following items of correspondence:-

- Yeovil Federation Directors' Report July 2009
- South Somerset District Council's News – Summer 09

7/362 **SOCIAL AND HEALTH INITIATIVES ENTERPRISE (SHINE)**

Tony Hampson, Project Manager for SHINE, gave a presentation on the background and objectives of the project, which aims to reach out to members of the community who need help for a variety of reasons to access social and health initiatives. SHINE is now offering courses in Yeovil. (A summary of the main points covered during the presentation, including contact details, is attached as an Appendix to these Minutes).

The Mayor thanked Tony for his interesting and informative presentation, and wished him every success with the project. It was

**RESOLVED**

that the matter be noted.

7/363 **YEOVIL - PROMOTIONAL FILM**

Council considered the report of the Town Clerk (Agenda item 7 refers).

Members acknowledged the benefits and potential of promoting and marketing 'a year in the life' of Yeovil. Cost, timescales, partner involvement and editorial control were considered during the ensuing discussion.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that the matter be noted; and
- (2) that Council views the original eight minute video at the next meeting; and
- (3) that David Recardo, in his capacity as Chair of Promotions and Activities Committee, undertakes further research and brings a final report back to Council in due course.

## 7/364 **CHANGES TO BUS SERVICES**

Council welcomed the improved, more accessible bus service linking the market towns but noted that it had not been formally consulted prior to the decision being taken to implement the revised routes. Disappointment was also expressed that there were no late buses, i.e. the latest Service 99 from Yeovil to Chard ran at 19.35.

### **RESOLVED**

- (1) that the matter be noted; and
- (2) that the Assistant Town Clerk writes to the Operations Manager, Transporting Somerset, at County Hall to highlight a) the lack of formal consultation and b) the curtailed bus timetable.

## 7/365 **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES AND OTHER MEETINGS**

The Chairmen of the various Committees of the Council presented the Minutes from the previous cycle of meetings, drawing attention to specific references to Council, any matters of particular interest and answering any questions.

### **Planning and Licensing Committee**

6 July 2009  
20 July 2009  
3 August 2009

### **Grounds and General Maintenance Committee**

13 July 2009

### **Promotions and Activities Committee**

14 July 2009

### **Buildings and Civic Matters Committee**

21 July 2009

### **Policy, Resources and Finance Committee**

28 July 2009

## 7/366 **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

### **Yeovil Twinning Association**

16 June 2009

### **Yeovil Youth Council**

29 June 2009

**Yeovil Crematorium and Cemetery Committee**

15 July 2009

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments from members of the public.

Mayor

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Shine

working with you to improve your health

# Working with you to improve your health

- a **strong enabling and facilitative** role and it has worked with individuals, informal self-help groups and organisations to engage them with current strategies for reducing health inequalities. (Over 100 groups and individuals)
- a **community focussed approach** which has required the sharing of information, signposting and advice, and sought to build links between previously isolated groups. (Chard Intentional Peer Support group)
- **working with hard-to-reach groups**, and where possible has tried to connect at public events. (Ilminster Healthy Living Project and Birchfield public meetings regarding setting up a Community organisation)
- **bringing together professionals** who are tasked with delivering services to the hard-to-reach. (Health trainers and Active Lifestyles)
- **provider of services** where there are gaps in provision (Health walks, NLDC funded Active Lives and Learning and Cardiac rehabilitation Phase IV)

# Shine initiatives

- Public Consultation - SHINE reference group meetings
- Cardiac re-habilitation Phase IV classes
- Active Lives and Learning community-based training
- Funding application for Yeovil based community learning offering a menu of well-being activity
- Yeovil Health walk from Sept 09

# Community Reference group

- First meeting in Chard on 15th May 2009
- One more meeting for Chard, two for Yeovil
- 10 participants - group representatives and individuals

## Identified Needs

- Support for local groups in delivering social and health initiatives
- a central hub saying what's on
- Input with funding applications
- Know-how in keeping groups sustainable
- Direct communication between groups
- Effective publicity
- Support cross agency, intergenerational working

# Active Lives and Learning training

- the objective of the project is to enable participants to become healthier, more active and have improved I.T. skills to make them better able to enter paid or voluntary employment
- The course provided 8 free sessions of training
- Three courses delivered – two in Chard and one in Yeovil
- Delivered locally at Yeovil Baptist Church and Dolphin Centre
- Funded by Somerset Skills and Learning
- Delivered in partnership with the SSDC Active Lifestyles Team
- It offers
  - A free health check - blood pressure, height and weight, blood sugar levels and lung capacity checked in a short assessment
  - A Personalised well-being programme
  - Three I.T sessions from Somerset Skills and Learning where participants learn to e-mail and use the internet
  - Careers Guidance and follow-up learning
- 35 different people have participated
- 18 attended I.T. Training
- 30 had free health checks