

CABINET COMMITTEE

9 June 2020

Present: Chairman: Councillor Nash

Councillors: Carter Corbett Hopkins Pennington

Officers: Simon Fisher, Town Clerk

Members of the Public: One

27. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor Pennington, seconded by Councillor Carter and agreed

THAT Councillor Nash is elected as Chairman of the Cabinet committee for the Civic Year 2020/21.

28. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor Nash and seconded by Councillor Corbett

THAT Councillor Hopkins is elected as Vice Chairman of the Cabinet committee for the Civic Year 2020/21.

29 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 12 May 2020 having been circulated to all Members were confirmed as a true record by the committee.

30. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Godwin

31. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

None

32. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no requests to speak from the public present.

33. REPORT FOR INFORMATION - MARKETS

The report was received and noted. Officers explained that whilst there has been a significant reduction in the type of retailing that was allowed during the lock down, the Town Council had managed to maintain one of the very few markets in the County

From 15 June it is planned to open up the Shambles but officers stressed that it will take some time to rebuild confidence for shoppers to return.

Officers went on to explain that they were working with other stakeholders to encourage visitors back to the town centre, but care needed to be taken not to move too quickly placing pressure on the ability to manage social distancing which could then frighten people off from revisiting.

34. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – GULL DETERRENCE

The report was received and noted

35. REPORT FOR DECISION – STAFF WELFARE, INTERNAL MEETING ROOM AND CIVIC ENTERTAINING SPACE

After a general debate and confirmation that changes would not prevent the Mayor from using the space it was proposed by Councillor Nash and seconded by Councillor Carter and agreed

THAT the committee accepted the recommendation that the Mayor's Parlour become part of the office environment with improved layout for staff and the Mayor to share.

36. REPORT FOR DECISION - COMMUNITY GRANT AWARDS MAY 2020

It was proposed by Councillor Hopkins and seconded by Councillor Corbett and agreed

THAT the Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre (Wessex) Ltd receive a £100 grant from the 2020/21 grant budget and the Wharf Theatre receive £300 from the 2020/21 grant budget.

37. QUESTION TIME

None

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