Stone Town Council – Management Sub-Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in St Michael's Suite at the Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone on Tuesday 21 November 2017

PRESENT: Councillor M. Green in the Chair and

Councillors Mrs E. Mowatt, A. Osgathorpe, Mrs E. Mowatt, J. Davies and

R. Kenney

By Chairman's invitation: Mrs K. Green, Mrs J. Hood and I. Fordham

ABSENT: Councillor G. Neagus, M. Shaw, Mrs M. Goodall and M. Williamson

MAN18/005 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor G. Neagus, M. Shaw, Mrs M. Goodall and M. Williamson

MAN18/006 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None received

MAN18/007 Representations from Members of the Public

None received

MAN18/008 Code of Conduct

The Sub-Committee considered a draft copy of the Council's Code of Conduct*, in accordance with the Council's programme of reviewing its policies and procedures on a regular basis. The Code included a suggested update at paragraph 13 on page 3 to add the words 'the details of' in the first line.

A discussion took place about the rules and processes relating to standards and the Code of Conduct of members; as well as the effectiveness of the system.

It was suggested that Stone Town Council's Code of Conduct should include the process for making complaints.

RECOMMENDED: that the item be deferred to the January 2018 meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

RECOMMENDED: That the Town Clerk writes to Stafford Borough Council asking for a list of the Members who sit on the Standards Committee and how many

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times they have acted upon cases referred to it.

MAN18/009 Surveillance Camera Code of Practice

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Town Clerk*, the purpose of which is to consider the Council's compliance with the Surveillance Camera Code of Practice following the introduction of an updated CCTV system at the Frank Jordan Centre.

The use of surveillance cameras requires compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998 including registration with the Information Commissioner's Office.

RECOMMENDED: That the legal requirements placed on the Council as a CCTV operator be noted as well as the current situation regarding the Council's compliance with the Code.

MAN18/010 Updates on Current Issues

Website

There are no updates and a report will be provided at the next meeting of the Sub-Committee.

Outstanding actions listed in the council handbook

Business Continuity Plan - The Town Clerk advised that a great deal is being done, that continuity had improved although not yet documented in a written plan.

Grant Application Policy Review – This item is due for consideration at the next meeting of the Sub-Committee.

RECOMMENDED: The updates on current issues were noted.

Town Mayor

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