

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ALDEBURGH TOWN COUNCIL
PROPERTY & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 7.00 PM IN THE MOOT HALL**

Present: Cllr Jones took the chair

Committee Members Present:

Cllr Bond	Cllr Cox
Cllr Digby	Cllr Harris
Cllr Osben	Cllr Partel
Cllr Worster	

There were two members of the public in attendance.

1. Apologies: Cllr Kiff

2. Approval of previous Minutes

Cllr Jones commended the draft Minutes of the Property and Finance Committee meeting held on 29 August 2017 which were **APPROVED** by a show of hands, with Cllr Jones abstaining because of her absence from the last meeting. The Minutes were duly signed

3. Matters for Discussion

3.1 Sports

Cllr Jones reported on a successful season at the Bowls Club, where two members reached the semi-finals of the Presidents Plate, the club won the Bob Wright League Trophy and came fourth in the Saxmundham League Division One to which they were only promoted this year. Cllr Jones expressed her gratitude for the work undertaken by volunteers, particularly Geoff Cakebread.

She told Committee members that the Rugby Clubhouse was now open and the team celebrated by winning the first home game of the season.

3.2 Management/Maintenance of Council Property and Land

Cllr Jones brought the Committee up-to-date with a number of matters:

Groundsman's Cottage: the last of the decorating was under way and shelving was about to be assembled in the workshop.

King's Field: two quotes for secondary drainage work had exceeded the budget and investigations into reducing the cost were under way. She feared the work would now be delayed until Spring.

Moot Hall: two quotes to replace the storm-damaged kitchen had been received and would soon be submitted to the insurance company. A new non-return valve will be fitted shortly to prevent a recurrence of the flood.

Play equipment: new equipment was being installed and fencing completed after Bonfire Night. Quotes were still being sought for another five-a-side goal and, due to vandalism, the basketball post at Kemp's Field needs repairing.

Tennis Courts: contractors have now found a suitable meter to accept the new £1 coin and these will be fitted shortly.

Dog bins: Cllr Jones reported that dog owners were removing handfuls of bags from the dispensers, creating shortages. She also suggested replacing damaged and rusting dog bins.

4 Committee Finance Business

There was no new property and finance business to report

5 New Property and Finance Business

Cllr Jones reported that draft leases involving the Avocet Academy Trust were with solicitors and that leases for the Pumphouse and the Groundsman's Cottage were still outstanding.

There was nothing further to discuss and the meeting ended at 7.11pm.