



Minutes of Crediton Town Council's Old Landscore School Committee held on Tuesday, 4th June 2019, at 1.00 pm, at the Old Town Hall, Searle Street, Crediton.

Present: Cllrs Mr A Wyer, Mr J Ross, Mr F Letch, Miss J Harris, Mr P Vincent

In Attendance: Mrs Lisa Blake, Assistant Clerk

1. To elect a Committee Chairman for 2019-2020

It was **resolved** to elect Cllr Wyer as Committee Chairman for 2019-2020. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)

2. To elect a Committee Deputy Chairman for 2019-2020

It was **resolved** to elect Cllr Harris as Committee Deputy Chairman for 2019-2020. (Proposed by Cllr Letch)

3. To receive and accept apologies.

There were no apologies.

4. Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Letch & Wyer declared that as members of more than one authority, that any views or opinions expressed at this meeting would be provisional and would not prejudice any views expressed at a meeting of another authority.

5. Order of Business

There were no announcements.

6. Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements - To receive any announcements which the Chairman and Clerk may wish to make, for information only. The Clerk advised there had been no further developments, the Tenancy at Will had still not been received from Devon County Council and she was waiting to hear from Mr David Bowles, Estates Manager at Devon County Council.

7. Committee Meeting Minutes - To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Old Landscore School Committee meeting held on 10th May 2019. It was **resolved** to approve and sign the minutes of the Old Landscore School Committee meeting held on 10th May 2019 as a correct record. The minutes were duly signed by Cllr Harris. (Proposed by Cllr Harris.)

8. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

9. To discuss and consider the key information required to be given to Mrs Dawn Eckhart of Devon Communities Together to produce a Feasibility Study on the Old Landscore School building.

Councillors had an in-depth discussion about possible questions and information that would be important to ascertain within the feasibility study. The following questions were agreed to be used.

- What are the costings of the running of the building, estimated maintenance etc?
- Which other organisations/suitable tenants would be potentially interested in using the space?

ATW

- Is it possible for the rear external office to house the Council Offices so that the main building can be managed on site and separately?
- What facilities would the potential other groups using the facility wish to have?
- Would it be best for the Tenancy at Will and any future agreements to be in the Town Councils name or would setting up a Community Interest Company/Group be more preferable?
- What other places are there available for community groups within the local area to use and what facilities do they currently have?
- What improvements can be made to the Grade 2 listed building?
- What are the pros and cons to freehold and leasehold?
- Could a flexible room divider be an option to make the space more usable?
- What basic improvements would be required to bring the building to a usable community space and what are the costings in line with these?
- Could this be a suitable home for more permanent community organisations i.e. Community Transport, Citizens Advice?
- Are there any restrictions or protections on the building? For example, would there be any issues with removing the railings to the front of the building for potential parking?

10. To discuss the interim table and seating requirements following completion of the Tenancy at Will. Councillors decided that the most important things were foldable tables and either folding or stackable chairs. The Assistant Clerk agreed to obtain quotations for these for around a seating arrangement of 16 initially and report findings at the next meeting.

11. Close

The meeting closed at 1.56 pm.

Signed.....
(Chairman)

Date: 17/09/19