

**Thorpe St Andrew Town Council  
Minutes of the Finance and Staff Committee Meeting  
held on 17 June 2019 at 7.30pm**

**1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Two nominations were proposed and seconded and, on being put to the vote, it was **RESOLVED** that Miss S Lawn be elected Chairman of the Committee.

**2 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED** that Mr Reeves be elected as Vice-Chairman.

**3 Present:**

Miss S Lawn (Chairman)

Mr F Bowe      Mr I Mackie      Mr L Reeves      Mr S Snelling

Mr J Fisher and Mr J Ward arrived for item 4 onwards

**Apologies:** Mr J Emsell and Mr N Shaw

**In attendance:**

Dr T Foreman (Town Clerk)

Mrs F Bass – (Deputy Clerk)

Mr D Sayer (Parks and Estates Manager)      Mrs D Matthews (Committee Officer)

No members of the public were present.

The Committee congratulated Mr Emsell on the birth of his daughter and wished them all well.

**4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

Mr S Snelling	Item 8 - Dementia Café Magic Table – chairman of the Thorpe dementia team
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**5 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 25 February 2019 were agreed and signed as a true record.

**6 PUBLIC SESSION (limited to 3 minutes per speaker)**

No public present.

**7 TOWN WELCOME SIGN**

Members reviewed a drawing of the preferred design of the Town sign previously considered by the Committee.

**RESOLVED** to proceed with the erection of the sign.

**8 DEMENTIA CAFÉ MAGIC TABLE**

Members considered details of the Tovertafel Magic Table and viewed a video demonstration of the device which projected games onto a table surface and enabled user interaction and stimulation. The Deputy Clerk explained that the device had been developed for use by dementia sufferers but could potentially have a number of other benefits including, for rehabilitation, motor dexterity, children's parties, nurseries etc. The package included a range of games, with new games available monthly, and up to four ceiling mounts which would enable it to be used at a number of locations and potentially be hired out to other interested organisations to help recoup the costs of the equipment. Members felt it would be useful to see a full live demonstration of the equipment at a meeting of the dementia café and were keen to hear from other users of the equipment. A question was raised as to whether the initial interest in the games would lessen after a period of time.

**RESOLVED** to arrange a demonstration of the Magic Table at the dementia café for further consideration at a future meeting of the Committee.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None raised.

*The meeting closed at 7.25pm.*

*Signed:* .....

*Dated:* .....