

**Minutes of Okehampton Town Council Policy and Resources Committee held on
Monday 26 September 2016 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Okehampton at 7.00 pm**

Committee Members Present: Councillor B Stephens (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs J Yelland (Vice Chairman)
Councillor Mrs V Cushing
Councillor Mrs C Marsh
Councillor P Vachon
Councillor Mrs J Goffey (Town Mayor)
Councillor T Leech (Chairman, Planning)
Councillor D Weekes (Chairman, Property)

Other Members Present: Councillor Mrs J Carpenter
Councillor Miss C Holt

In Attendance: P R Snell (Town Clerk)

	Action
<p>227. <u>Urgent Items</u> - The Mayor brought to the attention of the Committee information concerning the proposed loss of inpatient beds at Okehampton Community Hospital. A letter had been drafted and a Facebook page set up (www.facebook.com/okeybeds). The Clinical Commissioning Group board meeting was scheduled for 28 September. This would be a public meeting.</p> <p>228. <u>Apologies for Absence</u> - Apologies for absence were presented on behalf of Councillor Tolley.</p> <p>229. <u>Deferment of Business</u> - No public presence.</p> <p>230. <u>Members' Questions</u> - None.</p> <p>231. <u>Minutes</u> - The minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee meeting held on 15 August 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman on the proposition of Councillor Yelland, seconded by Councillor Vachon.</p> <p>232. <u>Matters Arising</u> - Nil.</p> <p>233. <u>Grant Applications</u> - The Committee considered the following application for a Town Council grant:</p> <p>233.1 Okehampton Street Pastors - Councillor Yelland declared a personal interest. After discussion, it was agreed to award a grant of £500 (Section 137) to equip volunteers with the 'Street Materials' pack essential to the task of the Street Pastors on the proposition of Councillor Marsh, seconded Councillor Leech.</p>	

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(iii) DALC County Committee (Councillor Marsh) - No meeting of the committee but a reminder for the Annual General Meeting of DALC on 11 October at Newton Abbot.	
(iv) DALC - Larger Councils Sub-Committee - Next meeting scheduled for 10 November. Clerk to attend, Councillor Stephens had presented his apologies.	
(v) Okehampton Fairtrade Group (Councillor Cushing) - A meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 28 September. Councillor Cushing sought an accurate figure for the population of the Okehampton community and was referred to the Devon County Council website.	
(vi) Okehampton Carnival Committee (Councillor Yelland) - Meeting scheduled for Tuesday 27 September.	
(vii) Okehampton and District Community Transport Group (Councillor Leech) - The group had succeeded in being listed by the Co-operative Store as one of three charities it would be supporting for the coming period.	

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.30 pm.

Councillor B Stephens
Chairman