

BERKHAMSTED TOWN COUNCIL

01442 800146
enquiries@berkhamstedtowncouncil.gov.uk

www.berkhamstedtowncouncil.gov.uk

2nd Floor
Civic Centre
161 High Street
Berkhamsted
Hertfordshire
HP4 3HD

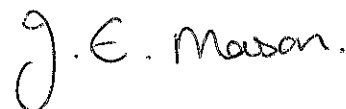
2 July 2019

There will be a meeting of the **Allotment Management Team** on Monday 8 July 2019 at 10 am in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Berkhamsted

Councillors: G Stevens, Chair
P de Hoest
N Woolner

Allotment Reps: John Eaton, Sunnyside
John Fisher, Butts Meadow
Diana Reay, Dellfield
Geoff Halls, Sunnyside
Keely Siddiqui Charlick, Sunnyside Rural Trust

Officers: John Bushby, Town Warden
Janet Mason, Town Clerk
Katie Morrison, Admin Assistant



Mrs J Mason
Town Clerk

THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND ALL MEETINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

AGENDA

OPENING MATTERS

AMT 20/19 Apologies for Absence

To receive any **apologies for absence**.

AMT 21/19 Minutes of the previous Meeting

- (i) To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 29 April 2019 (previously circulated);
- (ii) To review action arising from the previous meeting not covered on the agenda.

AMT 22/19 Chairman's Communications

3 May e-mail from Lina Nieto, Public Affairs, Affinity Water regarding the company's WhyNotWater manifesto (previously circulated 2-07-19).

AMT 23/19 Public Participation

To invite any public participation

FINANCE MATTERS

AMT 24/19 Income and Expenditure Report

- (i) To **consider** the allotment income and expenditure at 31 May 2019 (attached).
- (ii) To note that at 31 May 2019 Allotment Reserves stood at £15,016.

ALLOTMENT MATTERS

(Colony system papers to follow)

AMT 25/19 To consider, as appropriate, allotment and plot inspection reports and other current matters at:

- (i) Dellfield (DR)
- (ii) Sunnyside Old and Sunnyside New. (JE)
- (iii) Butts Meadow (JF)
- (iv) Sunnyside Rural Trust (KSC).

AMT 26/19

(i) To consider whether to increase allotment charges for the allotment year commencing 30 September 2019 and to make recommendations as appropriate.

(ii) To **receive and note** for future reference and information submitted by Ms J Sippings about the history of water charges (e-mailed to AMT 2-07-19)

(iii) Also regarding water charges **to note** for future reference that a Dellfield Allotment plot holder has suggested the following possibility for water charges:

“There was a discussion a little while ago about a more equitable split of water charges, recognising that tenants without hose licences also make use of the water supply, though probably in a much smaller quantity per unit area.

If this is still an active topic I wonder what would be the financial effect of charging £1.00 per pole for hose users and £0.50 per pole for others, the watering can users. These latter would need to account for at least 50% of the Dellfield acreage to maintain your current income level.

The amounts of money per tenant are pretty trivial so it is really a question of the principle.”

AMT 27/19 Update on Town Council staffing

AMT 28/19 **Date of next meeting**

Monday 14 October 2019

2-07-19

Townclerk

From: Townclerk
Sent: 05 June 2019 15:46
Subject: FW: #WhyNotWater Affinity Water Manifesto

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

From: Nieto Pacheco, Lina <lina.nietopacheco@affinitywater.co.uk>
Sent: 03 May 2019 10:04
To: berkhamsted.towncouncil@dacorum.gov.uk
Subject: #WhyNotWater Affinity Water Manifesto

Dear Sir or Madam,

I wanted to let you know about a manifesto and campaign we are launching on 7 May.

Our campaign aims to mobilise support to act now on the issue of water and environmental conservation. We believe the answer lies in a few simple actions which can make a difference on a national and global scale.

Defra is announcing a consultation and call to evidence on lowering the national per capita consumption (PCC) target. We welcome this intent, but we feel the target date being suggested of 2050 is simply not urgent enough.

Our #WhyNotWater manifesto will detail how we, at Affinity Water, want to work together with key stakeholders, to deliver key changes and conserve and protect our water supplies well before 2050. Following the launch of the manifesto on 7 May, we will be unveiling an ice installation on 10 May at St Albans Cathedral to help raise awareness.

Water efficiency is critical in the South East – a severely water stressed area. We have outlined the challenges we have set ourselves in our Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP), but with climate change likely to reduce our water supply by 39 million litres per day and population expected to grow by 51% by 2080, we can't do this alone.

This campaign seeks to engage us all to help take account of these factors and make some fundamental changes.

We are calling for:

- **Mandatory water efficiency labelling** on all goods. We have this for energy, why not water? We want manufacturers to label their products so people know how much water they are using. A labelling scheme will empower people to make an informed choice, so they can save water, save energy and save money.

There are already effective water efficient labelling schemes in other countries such as Australia, China, Ireland, Israel, New Zealand, Singapore and USA and is demonstrating significant water savings, both in use and cost. If the UK follows suit, this will make huge strides in the climate change debate and will demonstrate real action.

- **Tenants should have the right to use water efficient goods** in the homes they rent, bringing water on a par with energy and saving them money and helping the environment.

We want landlords to offer water efficient properties just as they are obliged to do so under energy regulation and the Energy Performance Certificate (EPC). Energy and water should be viewed together and not separate.

Domestic water efficiency through fittings and fixtures through mandatory certification

There is considerable potential to improve water efficiency use by households if straight forward changes are made to fixtures and fittings through mandatory certification approvals, e.g. WRAS or KIWA. Local Authorities and Housing Associations regularly run retrofit programmes and there is an opportunity to procure water efficient devices to help reduce water and fuel poverty.

Water efficiency in new developments has been improving, but there is a long way to go – with the scale of new housing in the UK, there is significant opportunity and need to reduce water use in new developments. We want to partner with developers and local authorities to facilitate projects which include options on greywater reuse, integrating drainage and water in a holistic approach.

You can write to your MP and sign a [petition](#). There has been a lot of support from all quarters as shown by the Green New Deal in America, Greta Thunberg, Extinction Rebellion campaign and the Committee on Climate Change's 'Net Zero – The UK's contribution to stopping global warming' report. Your support for the changes outlined could make all the difference in bringing forward the issue of water conservation.

If you would like to attend our public launch and unveiling of the art installation at 4pm on Friday 10 May at St. Albans Cathedral, please let Lina Nieto (lina.nietopacheco@affinitywater.co.uk) know by Thursday 9 May.

Could you please let me know if there is a local magazine in which we could share key information with your residents.

I look forward to hearing from you. Parish Councillor Parish Councillor

Yours sincerely,

Lina Nieto

Public Affairs

Email: Lina.NietoPacheco@affinitywater.co.uk

T: +44 (0) 1707 250 345 M: +44 (0) 7790 827 662

This e-mail (including any attachments) is confidential and may also be legally privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure. If you are not the intended recipient of this e-mail or any parts of it please notify us by reply e-mail or by telephone on 01707 268 111 immediately on receipt and then delete the message from your system. You should not disclose the contents to any other person, nor take copies nor use it for any purposes and to do so could be unlawful. The presence of this footnote indicates: this email message has been tested for the presence of known computer viruses, unless the email has been encrypted (in part or full) wherein the email will not be checked for computer viruses. All incoming and outgoing emails may be monitored in line with current legislation. Affinity Water Limited (Company Number 02546950) is registered in England and Wales having their registered office, at Tamblin Way, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, AL10 9EZ. www.affinitywater.co.uk

Click [here](#) to report this email as spam.

BTC Income Expenditure Current Financial Year

	Actual 31-Mar-18	2019-20				Budget Less YTD 2019/20
		Budget 2018/19	Actual 31-Mar-19	Budget 2019/20	Actual 31-May-19	
INCOME						
0600/05 Allotment Land Rent	7,041	7,300	7,417	7,100	221	
0603 Allotment Income - Other	-	-	-	-	-	
0610 Allotment Water Rates Income	1,761	1,800	1,869	1,800	40	
0612-18 Water & Gate Key Sales (Prev incl deposits)	130	120	170	120	-	
Allotment Income	8,932	9,220	9,455	9,020	261	8,759

Berkhamsted Town Council Income Expenditure Current Financial Year

2019-20

	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget Less YTD
	31-Mar-18	2018/19	31-Mar-19	2019/20	31-May-19	2019/20
EXPENDITURE						
7300 Improvements	4,091	2,000	627	2,000	-	
7303 Water Supply Charges	1,172	1,500	1,824	1,500	-	
7304/07 General Expenses	16	-	8	-	2,696	
7306 Annual Maintenance Costs	2,235	2,250	2,086	2,250	475	
7308 Legal Fees	-	-	-	-	-	
7309 Allotment Software Support	464	500	478	500	243	
7794/5 Allotment Key Refunds	16	10	20	20	-	
Overpayment of Rents	6	-	0	-	-	
New Projects	-	7,630	-	1,000	-	
8100 Bad Debt	-	-	100	-	-	
Allotments	7,988	13,890	5,142	7,270	3,414	3,856

Grass Cutting May 255

Water Main repairs 80.48

Water Supply at SSN.