

'protecting and improving the quality of life for all Bayston Hill residents'

Clerk to the Council/RFO: J Hodgkiss

Chairman: Cllr C Clode

Minutes of the **Services Committee** held at 7.15pm on **Monday 6th June 2022** in the Lythwood Room, Bayston Hill Memorial Hall.

Present: Cllrs Clarke (Chairman); Parkhurst, Shaw, Whittall

In attendance: Julie Hodgkiss,(JH) Clerk; Peter Orrell,(PO) Deputy Clerk

S1.22/23 **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

RESOLVED: AP proposed Cllr Ted Clarke as Chair for 2022/23, this was seconded by JW and agreed by all members present. Cllr Clarke accepted this nominated and took the chair.

S2.22/23 **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

RESOLVED: TC proposed Cllr J Whittall as Vice Chair for 2022/23, this was seconded by AP and agreed by all members present.

S3.22/23 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE – Cllr

Merricks-Murgatroyd – University commitments. Cllr C Clode – Work

commitments.

S4.22/23 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

S5.22/23 PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

None

\$6.22/23 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: The draft minutes for the Services Committee held on 4th April 2022 were put to members as an accurate record of proceedings, the motion was proposed by TC and seconded by JW. Motion Passed.

S7.22/23 DEPUTY CLERKS AMENITIES REPORT

PO highlighted the following in his report

- Longmeadow Play Improvements imminent, hope to have it complete by school summer holidays
- We have received an estimate for BMX track repairs and quotes will be brought to Full Council for approval
- YCB electric works will go back out for quotes, last contractor let us down

Members raised the following questions/made the following comments

- The goal mouths need re-turfing every year and should be on the maintenance schedule
- Spotlight needs adjustment on Bowling Green, it moved during high winds

- Many of the walking routes around the village are over grown and nearly impassable. TC to report to SCC and JH to investigate options to clear.
- Bus shelters and benches should be cleaned monthly, alteration to be made on work schedule.

S8.22/23 STREET LIGHT SURVEY

PO presented the results of the recent street light survey that was collated via facebook and hardcopy at the Annual Parish Meeting.

Three options were offered,

- 1. Part-night lighting, lights turned off midnight to 5am
- 2. Part-night dimming, after midnight
- 3. Continue with LED replacement, but burn at full intensity from dawn to dusk

A total of 38 individual surveys were completed

Option 1 17 (45%) Option 2 20 (53%) Option 3 1 (2%)

Members discussed the rapidly escalating costs of electricity which has already this year been astronomical and is set to rise. Members also expressed concern about the impact on the environment of energy usage. A member also pointed out that the lights controlled in the village controlled by Shropshire CC are already switched off during the early hours. Members would like to see the replacement LED programme speeded up.

RESOLVED: CS proposed that option 1 is recommended to Full Council for adoption, this was seconded by AP and agreed by all members present.

S9.22/23 SENSORY GARDEN

Replacement bench – members decided that a replacement was not needed as the repair is sufficient. JH to create a Bench/Memorial Policy. Sensory Garden Planting proposal from Bayston Hill Village Association – JH to write to the individual and agree to the proposal but stipulate that the trees be fruit trees (damson/plum/similar) and be planted in the orchard area.

S10.22/23 TO PRESENT ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE AGENDA

Amenities maintenance schedule Interpretation panel Bench and Memorial Policy