

Locum Clerk to the Council/RFO: Shaun Jones
Chairman: Cllr Mark Underwood

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7.15 pm on **Monday 13 September 2021** in Lythwood Room, Bayston Hill Memorial Hall.

Present: Cllrs Underwood (MU), (Chair); Clarke (TC); Clode (CC); Higgins C (CH); Higgins P (PH); Merricks-Murgatroyd (HMM); Shaw (CS); Stevens (PS) & Teckoe (CT);

Not Present: Cllrs Parkhurst, Rust & Whittall

In attendance: Shaun Jones (SJ), Locum Clerk & PC Rebecca Howell 20430 (RH).

57.21/22 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE** – Cllr Rust – Unwell & Cllr Whittall – Holiday.

58.21/22 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None.

59.21/22 **PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS** – There were no members of the public present.

60.21/22 **NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING MATTERS** – Police Constable Rebecca Howell attended the meeting. She explained she is the new Safer Neighbourhood Police Officer for Shrewsbury Rural East. In addition, PCSO Lyn Birch and PCSO Stuart Roberts make up the Safer Neighbourhood Team serving the residents of Bayston Hill. Confirmation that the top 3 issues for Bayston Hill PC are Anti-social behaviour, Traffic Speeding & Pavement Parking noted on the Community Charter. RH supplied a stack of cards promoting the Neighbourhood Matters website (www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk). Mention also made of the local Neighbourhood Watch group and keeping the co-ordinator in the loop, including Police Surgery events planned for BH. The next one is planned for 6th October 2021 11:00am Christchurch car park. The written report supplied by RH was noted.

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- 61.21/22 **CHAIR'S REPORT** – MU reported on a matter that was highlighted in discussion over the expected outline planning application off Lyth Hill Road for a new development of around 115 new homes. This matter concerned improvements of the Lyth Hill Road and A49 junction to avoid additional congestion should planning be approved. It appears that a traffic light-controlled junction is discounted and MU wishes to request more information from National Highways (previously Highways England) through known contacts responsible for the A49. He asked if members approved of this action – **All in favour**. SJ also alerted to an earlier report on the junction that maybe filed in the Parish Office.
- 62.21/22 **SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – TC produced a written report ahead of the meeting and this was noted by members. CH asked if there is an admission charge for Shrewsbury Museum and Art Gallery – post the meeting SJ researched and confirms that admission is free but a ticket reservation is required – go to www.ticketsource.co.uk/shrewsburymuseum
- 63.21/22 **MINUTES** – The draft minutes for the Full Council Meeting held Monday 26th July 2021 are now put to the Council as an accurate record of proceedings. After small corrections to minute 34.21/22 and 46.21/22 date and initial respectively, **the motion proposed PH and seconded CH was passed unanimously**. The draft minutes for the Extraordinary Full Council Meeting held Monday 6th September 2021 are now put to the Council as an accurate record of proceedings. After small corrections to minute 54.21/22 and 55.21/22 [punctuation corrected & spelling error and typographical error & note on TC not voting respectively], **the motion proposed CS and seconded CC was passed unanimously**. Matter arising: Minute 44.21/22, SJ provided an update on progress to date.
- 64.21/22 **SENSORY GARDENS – APPLE PRESS** – CC outlined a wish to support the volunteer group looking after the Sensory Gardens by purchasing equipment to facilitate apple pressing – inviting the community to participate. It was **proposed by MU, seconded PS** to agree in principle and provide up to £250 from the budget set aside for Repairs and Maintenance of the Sensory Gardens and SJ to assist with procurement, the equipment remains in BHPC ownership – **motion carried**.
- 65.21/22 **SHREWSBURY HEALTH & WELLBEING HUB** – members wish to encourage residents to respond to the listening/consultation which closes 26th September 2021 – suggest using social media channel to promote again. MU is attending the Beeches – Patient Participation Group meeting tomorrow evening. He hopes to gain an understanding of this proposal from the view of the practice in BH. The fact the proposed location of the Hub is still unknown is an issue.

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- 66.21/22 **STREET LIGHTING – PART-NIGHT LIGHTING** – SJ outlined to members the Shropshire Council (SC) Part-Light Policy (extinguish at midnight/back on at 5:30am). Members agreed that a consultation with residents of Bayston Hill be undertaken to gauge opinion. Included will be the option to dim over extinguish in the wee hours. CH and CS agreed to draft and look at possibly offering an online survey monkey as well as including in The Villager – subject to costings.
- 67.21/22 **GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK** – MU invited members to join him at the BH Villager’s Wildlife Group stand at The Eco Fete planned for this Saturday. Set up from 11:30am and the fete runs from 1pm to 4pm. MU provided a recap of all the events planned throughout the week. He thanked Council for the financial support – £252 for printing. Distribution of the Great Big Green Week programme through The Villager noted too.
- 68.21/22 **CLERK’S ORAL REPORT** –
- SJ asked for confirmation that no action can be taken if unsigned letters addressed to the Council are received. **Members confirmed.**
 - A resident reacted unfavourably to the offer by BHPC to make a contribution to prune a couple of trees impacting their rear boundary – they maintain BHPC are fully responsible. A second resident requests that our maintenance team look to tame a buddleia bush back to fence height. Members requested both sites be reviewed by our Handyperson team to ascertain what work could be undertaken without engaging a contractor.
 - SJ advises that the Zoom Video Conferencing subscription is to be cancelled.
- 69.21/22 **PAYMENTS** – SJ advised he had planned for two lists to be presented but the second list has not been published – for the October meeting this will be presented. **Motion proposed CH, seconded CC, the Council unanimously approved the payment list tabled.**
- 70.21/22 **TO PRESENT ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA.**
- Neighbourhood Safety – BHPC to look at this topic in the round to make sure residents are properly informed.
 - Longmeadow Play Area – Winter use, muddy wet conditions. Consult with Handyperson team, what measures could be taken e.g. bark chips at the landing area of slides etc. **SJ to action.**

The meeting closed at 9:12pm.

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