

**Clerk to the Council/RFO: J Hodgkiss**  
**Chairman: Cllr C Clode**

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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7.15 pm on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022** in Lythwood Room, Bayston Hill Memorial Hall.

Present: C Clode (CC) (Chair), C Higgins (CH), P Higgins (PH), C Shaw (CS), P Stevens (PS), C Teckoe (CT), M Underwood (MU), J Whittall (JW)

Not Present: Cllrs Clarke, Merricks and Parkhurst

In attendance: Julie Hodgkiss – Clerk (JH)

**FC21.22/23 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr Clarke – ill health, Cllr Merricks – ill health and Cllr Parkhurst – ill health.

**FC22.22/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**FC23.22/23 PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS**

None

**FC24.22/23 MINUTES**

JW asked that minute FC12.22/23 be amended to show she abstained.

**RESOLVED: CH proposed that the minutes from the Full Council of 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022 were an accurate record and be duly signed, this was seconded by CS and agreed by all members present.**

**FC25.22/23 CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair presented her pre-circulated report and highlighted the plans for the Big Green Week which are now coming along well, next meeting is August 9<sup>th</sup>. Also highlighted was the work of the Thomas Bowdler Trust locally and the "20s Plenty" campaign – a speaker from which will be joining us at our September Full Council.

**FC26.22/23 SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The Council noted Cllr Clarkes report in his absence.

**FC27.22/23 CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk presented her pre-circulated report. Members asked for clarity for planned works on the football pitches.

**RESOLVED: CT proposed that given the exceptional dry spell we are currently having that re-turfing is held off until the end of next**

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season (May 2023) as it would be a waste of time and resources if unsuccessful, seconded by MU, agreed by 7 members, one member abstained.

**RESOLVED:** MU proposed that “Plan A” for the Welcome Back Fund be reverted back to given the difficulty in moving forward with refurbishment, namely that the 3 new benches be installed, once the older benches were refurbished Council can decide their location, this was seconded by PS and agreed by all members present.

JH also updated members about the good progress of new the handyperson who was now in post.

**FC28.22/23 PAYMENTS**

**RESOLVED:** MU proposed that the payments for June 2022 be approved, this was seconded by PS and agreed by all members present.

**FC29.22/23 ASTRO TURF REPLACEMENT**

**RESOLVED:** MU proposed that CT (as its his area of expertise) feed back to the Deputy Clerk any feedback on the draft tender document, this was seconded by PS and agreed by all members present.

**FC30.22/23 BMX TRACK**

Full Council requested that quotes to replace the tarmac be researched and put before them as soon as possible.

**RESOLVED:** MU proposed that the 2<sup>nd</sup> option was approved;  
*Resurfacing of all gritted areas*

*This will be a one day's labour for three people, min. This includes the hire of an excavator and dumper to transport the material from our compound up to the track. Price does not include diesel. This will involve resurfacing all areas of the track that are already surfaced. £1280 plus VAT*

This was seconded by CS and agreed by all members present.

**FC31.22/23 CARBON NEUTRAL WORKING GROUP**

Cllr Underwood presented 5 items for approval from the work the Carbon Neutral Working Party.

Flyer – CS requested that the design be altered to improve readability.

**RESOLVED:** MU proposed that subject to style changes the leaflet be produced and that BHPCs logo be amended to include the “Carbon Neutral by 2030” tag line, this was seconded by PS and agreed by all members present.

Energy Audit – **RESOLVED:** CT proposed that a budget of up to £1000k be permitted for use for an energy audit, this was seconded by JW and agreed by all members present.

Planning – **RESOLVED:** MU proposed that subject to some minor typographical errors that the following paragraph be included in BHPC Planning Policy;

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1. *It is proposed that a standard “Carbon Neutral Planning Statement” is used in all new build planning applications that the Parish Council is consulted on.*
2. *The purpose for this is to push the Parish Councils Agenda for “Carbon Neutrality and to apply pressure to the Shropshire County Planning system to acknowledge this position.*
3. *It is recommended that this takes immediate effect.*
4. *The following statement is proposed:*

*'We expect all planning applications for development to pro-actively demonstrate how they are compatible with both the Parish Council and County Council's declaration of a climate emergency and support the ambition of both organisations in reaching net zero emissions by 2030. This includes:*

- that any construction activity seeks to use low-carbon and carbon neutral materials wherever possible and maximises material efficiency.*
- that the subsequent operation of any development maximises the potential use of renewable energy – for power, heating and mobility, as relevant*
- The construction is as energy efficient as possible, and will be resilient to the future climate changes that are expected at that location (for instance in relation to flood risk, heat stress etc.)*

**This was seconded by CH and agreed by all members present**

Repair Café – MU set out what a Repair Café would involve and how it has worked successfully elsewhere, the group are looking for support from the Parish Council in order to take next steps.

**RESOLVED: MU proposed that with the support of BHPC the CNWG will go ahead and gauge the interest of local volunteers to run a scheme, this was seconded by CT and agreed by all members present.**

Thermal Imaging Camera – **RESOLVED: MU proposed that BHPC purchase a camera for the community to make use of free of charge and the CNWG would ensure training and reporting was in place, this was seconded by JW and agreed by all members present.**

## **FC32.22/23**

### **FUTURE EVENTS**

- Apple pressing – confirmed for 8<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022
- Big Green Week – presented draft plan for the week 1<sup>st</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Oct
- Carols on The Parade – members suggested early liaison with other community groups.

## **FC33.22/23**

### **POLICY UPDATES**

- *Bereavement Policy:* **RESOLVED: CC proposed that the policy be approved subject to changes agreed at F&P 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022, this was seconded by CH and agreed by 7 members, one member abstained.**
- *BHPC Staff Handbook:* **RESOLVED: MU proposed that the Handbook be approved subject to a stronger section on**

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**"Drugs and Alcohol" and the future adoption of a stand alone policy on this issue be written, this was seconded by CC and agreed by all members present.**

- ***Anti-bullying and Harassment Policy: RESOLVED: MU proposed that the policy be adopted, this was seconded by JW and agreed by all members present.***

**FC34.22/23 TO PRESENT ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE MEETING AGENDA (FULL COUNCIL OR RESPECTIVE COMMITTEE)**

CS has been working with the Deputy Clerk on the interpretation board in the Sensory Gardens, JH suggested that members discuss the content at the meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> July.

**FC35.22/23 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

*To pass resolution to exclude the public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, so as to discuss the following confidential matters;*

**FC36.22/23 GLEBELANDS RENT**

**RESOLVED: MU proposed that the Clerk reply to Balfours reiterating our request to extend the lease in order to plan future events.**

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