

Clerk to the Council/RFO: J Hodgkiss
Chairman: Cllr R Ruscoe

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:15pm on **Monday 2nd September 2024** in The Memorial Hall.

Present: T Clarke (TC), K Fairclough (KF), T Markham (TM), T Osenton (TO), R Ruscoe (RR) – Chair, C Shaw (CS), P Stevens (PS), C Teckoe (CT), M Underwood (MU), J Whittall (JW)

In attendance: Julie Hodgkiss – Clerk (JH), 3 MOPs

FC40.24/25 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE
Apologies were received from Cllr Clode – work commitments and Cllrs Price and Jones – annual leave

FC41.24/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
None

FC42.24/25 PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS
2 members of the public spoke against item FC44.24/25 and in favour of FC45.24/25.

FC43.24/25 MINUTES
RESOLVED: CT proposed to approve the minutes of Full Council held on 12th August 2024, seconded by MU and agreed by all members present.

FC44.24/25 THE PAVILION
TC proposed “Could we perhaps pause our plans for the Pavilion, please? And now thoroughly consider the SC Library Head’s previous suggestion to convert the spacious former garage into a PC office and local community space. If carefully redesigned it could I believe be a much more attractive and accessible office, being on the 27 bus route and with parking for half a dozen cars. Importantly it would also safeguard the future of our library”.
Amendment tabled by MU “This Council will continue with the development of its facility at the Pavilion and will work with Shropshire Council and other stakeholders with the aim of securing the long-term future of the Bayston Hill Library for the benefit of the residents and others who use the library from outside The Parish.”
All members took part in the debate.
RESOLVED: The amendment was seconded by TO, 8 members voted in favour and 2 against, amendment carried.

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RESOLVED: The original motion was seconded by PS, 8 members voted against, 2 in favour, motion fell.

FC45.24/25 THE PAVILION

Mr J Salt, architect, took any queries from members on the latest plans. Members noted the final plans and associated surveys before submission of planning application.

FC46.24/25 PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS

RESOLVED: CT proposed to approve all payments and receipts, as per the attached schedule, including July and August 2024 salary payments, seconded by PS and agreed by all members present.

FC47.24/25 CHAIRS REPORT

Cllr Ruscoe presented his pre-circulated report.

FC48.24/25 SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cllr Clarke presented his pre-circulated report and highlighted the ongoing conversations around the green waste scheme and the relocation of Shropshire Council workforce to alternative buildings.

FC49.24/25 Clerks Report

The Clerk presented her report and wished to highlight thanks to Mr M Clarke who has volunteered his time reconfiguring the football pitches and assisted the team.

FC50.24/25 MEETING SCHEDULE

Noted

FC51.24/25 CITYFIBRE POLES

Item deferred for further information. TC to forward briefing note. Possible legal advice to be sought.

FC52.24/25 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Members noted the alterations made to this years budget due to unplanned spends.

FC53.24/25 STANLEY PARKER PLAYING FIELD LEASE

RESOLVED: JW proposed to approve the signing of the lease, seconded by KF and agreed by all members present.

FC54.24/25 REABROOK FOOTPATH

RESOLVED: MU proposed to approve support for the declaration of footpath as a Public Footpath, seconded by TC and agreed by all members present. Clerk to write a letter of support.

FC55.24/25 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

None present

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FC56.24/25

STAFFING MATTERS

RESOLVED: CT proposed to approve the retention of a handyperson post up to one day a week until the current vacancy is filled, seconded by JW and agreed by all members present.

The Chair gave a vote of thanks to Cllr Janet Whittall who this evening marked her 25 years service as a member of Bayston Hill Parish Council.

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