

Clerk to the Council/RFO: Julie Hodgkiss
Chairman: Cllr Mark Underwood

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

Present: Cllrs T Clarke (TC), C Clode (CC), C Higgins (CH), P Higgins (PH), H Merricks-Murgatroyd (HM), M Underwood (MU) (Chairman), P Stevens (PS)

Not Present: Cllrs Parkhurst, Shaw, Teckoe and Whittall

In attendance: Julie Hodgkiss – Clerk (JH)

178.21/22 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE** – Apologies were received from Cllrs Teckoe and Whittall – personal commitments.

179.21/22 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – *In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, members shall withdraw from any discussion or vote for which they hold a disclosable pecuniary interest.* **NONE**

180.21/22 **PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS** – *To allow members of the public the opportunity to speak on an item listed on the agenda for a maximum of 3 minutes.* **NONE.**

181.21/22 **MINUTES** - The draft minutes for the Full Council Meeting held Monday 21st March 2022 are now put to the Council as an accurate record of proceedings, **the motion proposed by CH and seconded HM was passed unanimously.**

182.21/22 **CHAIR'S REPORT** – MU
The Chair had circulated his report prior to the meeting. There were no questions

183.21/22 **SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT - TC**
Cllr Clarke informed the Council that SCC had not met since his last report. TC informed the meeting that SCC had now established a team to handle the now 150 offers of accommodation for Ukrainian refugees that have been made from Shropshire residents.

184.21/22 **CLERKS REPORT**
The Clerk had pre-circulated a report. JH corrected the date of the Strategy/Planning meeting, it is July 18th and not 17th as stated in her report. Cllr Clode volunteered to assist with the stall on June 3rd for the Jubilee Picnic. JH highlighted that there have been no handipersons working for 3

weeks due to illness and annual leave and passed her thanks to the Deputy Clerk for his hard work in covering several tasks.

185.21/22

MEETING SCHEDULE

JH presented the Meeting Schedule 2022/23.

RESOLVED – PS proposed to adopt the meeting schedule for 2022/23, this was seconded by CH and agreed by all members present.

186.21/22

COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERNCE

JH presented a draft of the Committee Terms of Reference. CH pointed out the quoracy of the Full Council should be no lower than 5 as we have 15 seats – JH to amend. Planning members to be looked at again. Paper to return for Annual Council and approval.

187.21/22

FEES AND CHARGES

RESOLVED : CH proposed that the evening charge (token needed) is raised to £19 and that these rates are listed as standard with the agreed prices from April 1st offered to local residents as a discount, this was seconded by CC and agreed by all members present.

188.21/22

ASSET REGISTER

JH presented the Asset Register prior to approval at Annual Council. CC asked a question regarding the values placed on property; JH explained that this was part of a bigger review that was needed in order to update our insurances and this work is on the Actions List.

189.21/22

VACANT HANDIPERSON POST

JH updated the Council on the recruitment. 3 applicants had been invited to interview, one declined.

190.21/22

PAYMENTS

TC asked if Bayston Community Group still used the Numbers Plus account, JH to enquire.

RESOLVED: MU proposed to approve the payments, this was seconded by CC and agreed by all members present.

191.21/22

TO PRESENT ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE MEETING AGENDA (FULL COUNCIL OR REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE)

- 20s Plenty Speaker – JH to check if appropriate for July 18th Strategy Meeting
- Defibrillator at Memorial Hall and its ownership

192.21/22

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 matter.

None present.

193.21/22

ASTRO TURF PITCH

The pitch is in an unsafe state and was closed on Tuesday 5th April. JH presented prices from 2 contractors for a) repair b) replace.

RESOLVED: MU proposed that Contractor B is selected to carry out the immediate repair needed at the cost of £400. That the same contractors offer of a maintenance contract is explored to see if it is best value for money. The Council will go out to tender as per our Financial Regulations to collate bids for a complete astro pitch replacement. This was seconded by CC and agreed by all members present.

CH recommended that opportunities for funding and advice be sought from the FA and other sporting organisations. TC also highlighted other local astro pitch sites that would be worth talking to. Deputy Clerk to action immediate repair and maintenance talks, JH to create tender documents for approval by council.

Meeting end 8.20pm