

BISHOP'S WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Jubilee Hall,
Little Shore Lane, Bishop's Waltham
on Tuesday 9th May 2017 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Cllr Mr B Nicholson	Chairman
Cllr Mr R Howe	Vice Chairman
Cllr Mr S Jones	
Cllr Mr S Miller	
Cllr Mr R Shields	
Cllr Mr G Westcombe	
Cllr Mrs P Wilson	
Cllr Mr T Wilson	
Cllr Mrs J Wood	

In attendance:

Mrs L Edge - Clerk
Mrs E McKenzie – Administration Officer
Mrs E Mar-Molinero – Assistant Administration Officer

Also in attendance:

Cllr D McLean	WCC
Cllr R Humby	HCC

Members of the public: 1

17:001 Election of Chairman of Council.

Nomination:

Cllr Barry Nicholson Proposed: Cllr Miller Seconded: Cllr Howe

Resolved: to elect Cllr Mr Barry Nicholson as Chairman of the Council.

All in favour.

17:002 To receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Chairman signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office which was countersigned by the Clerk.

17:003 Election of Vice Chairman.

Nomination:

Cllr Robin Howe Proposed: Cllr T Wilson Seconded: Cllr Miller

Resolved: to elect Cllr Mr Robin Howe as Vice Chairman of the Council.

All in favour.

17:004 To receive the Vice Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Vice Chairman signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office which was countersigned by the Clerk.

The Chairman advised the Parish Council that he had received and accepted the resignation of Cllr Conduct. The Chairman thanked Cllr Conduct for her years of service and all of her work for the Council.

17:005 Approval of Standing Committees for 2017/2018.

Resolved: to approve the Standing Committees for 2017/2018 as tabled with the addition of Cllr Jones to the Finance, Policy & Resources Committee.

Proposed: Chairman

All in favour.

Cllr Jones offered to attend Community Development Committee meetings, when his work load allowed.

17:006 Reappointment of Council working parties for 2017/2018.

Resolved: to re appoint the Council working parties for 2017/2018 as tabled with the addition of Cllr Howe to the ACSO sub committee.

Proposed: Cllr T Wilson

Seconded: Cllr Mrs P Wilson

All in favour.

17:007 Approval of representatives to outside bodies for 2017/2018.

Resolved: to approve the representatives to the outside bodies for 2017/2018 as tabled with the addition of Cllr Wood as reserve for the Swanmore Management Committee.

Proposed: Cllr Howe

Seconded: Cllr Miller

All in favour.

17:008 Acceptance of calendar of meeting dates for 2017/2018.

Resolved: to accept the calendar of meeting dates for 2017/2018 as tabled.

Proposed: Chairman

All in favour.

17:009 To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance.

Cllr Mrs Marsh – indisposed

Cllr Mr Wright – work commitment.

Resolved: to receive and accept apologies for non-attendance as tabled.

Proposed: Chairman

All in favour.

17:010 To receive and accept Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.

None relating to the business of the meeting.

17:011 To receive and accept any personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.

Cllr Miller – items 22 and 23

Cllr Nicholson – item 23

17:012 Co-option to the Council.

Paper from the Clerk for consideration.

Resolved: to advertise the three casual vacancies for Councillors and to seek to fill the positions by co-option.

Proposed: Cllr Miller

Seconded: Cllr T Wilson

All in favour.

Action: Clerk

17:013 Public Session.

The member of the public did not wish to address the Council.

17:014 Approval of the minutes of the meeting 11th April 2017.

Resolved: to approve the minutes of the meeting 11th April 2017.

Proposed: Cllr Howe

Seconded: Cllr P Wilson

All in favour.

17:015 To receive the report from the County Council/District Council Representative – Cllr Rob Humby.

The Chairman congratulated Cllr Humby on his recent re-election as Hampshire County Council Councillor for the area.

Cllr Humby reported/commented on the following: pleased to have been re-elected as representative for the next 4 years; he will not know his exact role until the Cabinet is appointed on the 25th of May; thanked the Parish Council for their support; challenges ahead, with the changes to school funding, loss of revenue support grant in 2020, and the need to save £20 million from his budget in the next 10 years; need for the council to generate more income by finding new revenue streams and work in partnership with other organisations; the new Leader and Deputy Leader to the Council to be appointed on the 17th of May; Cllr Nicholson asked about devolution, Cllr Humby informed the Council that it was still ongoing and that changes were going to happen.

17:016 To receive the reports from the District Council Representatives.

Cllr McLean reported/commented on the following: expressed his sadness in hearing of Cllr Conduct's resignation from the Parish Council; the new Chief Executive at WCC is currently reviewing the ways things are done within the Council; Cllr Mclean to start his Mayoral duties on Tuesday the 16th of May; attended the opening of the Living Well Centre; would like to attend as many events as possible in Bishop's Waltham.

Cllr Miller reported/commented on the following: The Friars Gate car park turned into a two level car park, offering much needed extra parking in Winchester; architects have been appointed for the new leisure centre; Middle Brook Street fountain to be removed in order to reduce the crime in the area.

17:017 To receive the Minutes of the Committees of the Parish Council.

Resolved: to receive the Minutes of the Committees of the Parish Council.

Proposed: Cllr T Wilson

Seconded: Cllr Howe

All in favour.

17:018 Actions Arising from the minutes of the meeting of 11th April 2017.

Noted.

17:019 Ratification and payment of accounts – to authorise payments.

Resolved: to authorise the payments.

Proposed: Cllr T Wilson

Seconded: Cllr Miller

All in favour.

17:020 To receive current financial statement and balance sheet.

Resolved: to receive the current financial statement.

Proposed: Cllr T Wilson

Seconded: Cllr Miller

All in favour.

Cllr T Wilson reported that the majority of the overspend would be covered by reserves.

17:021 Internal Auditor – to confirm the re-appointment for 2017/2018.

Resolved: to re-appoint Fair Account as the Council's Internal Auditor for 2017/2018.

Proposed: Cllr Miller

Seconded: Cllr Jones

All in favour.

17:022 Grant applications for 2017/2018.

To consider the recommendations of the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee.

- 1. Resolved: to award a section 144 grant of £1,000 to Bishop's Waltham In Bloom in the Council year 2017/2018**

Proposed: Cllr Wood

Seconded: Cllr Howe

8 in favour

1 abstention.

- 2. Resolved: to award a section 144 grant of £2,000 to Bishop's Waltham Chamber of Trade in the Council year 2017/2018**

Proposed: Cllr Wood

Seconded: Cllr Jones

8 in favour

1 abstention.

- 3. Resolved: to award a section 142 grant of £1,000 to Winchester District CAB in the Council year 2017/2018**

Proposed: Cllr Howe

Seconded: Cllr T Wilson

8 in favour

1 abstention.

- 4. Resolved: to award a section 137 grant of £1,000 to 1st Bishop's Waltham Scout Group in the Council year 2017/2018**

Proposed: Chairman

8 in favour

1 abstention.

17:023 Planning Applications:

To ratify the recommendations from the Planning, Environment & Highways Committee.

Resolved: to ratify the recommendations from the Planning Committee.

Proposed: Cllr Howe

Seconded: Cllr Jones

7 in favour

2 abstentions.

17:024 Audio Visual Equipment for the Jubilee Hall (Solafields grant).

Recommendation from the Finance, Policy & Resources Committee for consideration.

Resolved: to ratify the recommendations from the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee in regard to the supply and installation of the audio visual equipment at the Jubilee Hall.

Proposed: Cllr Miller

Seconded: Cllr Wood

All in favour.

Action: Admin Officer

17:025 BW Gardening Club – report on meeting with Crest Nicholson and PC.

For information only.

Noted

Cllr Shields' comments also noted.

17:026 Town Team Minutes 4.4.17

For information only.

Noted.

17:027 Councillors' surgeries.

i) Report on surgery held 25.3.17 and 28.4.17.

Noted

Cllr T Wilson suggested that the comments regarding 'Bites' be forwarded to the Town Team

ii) To agree the Councillors for the surgery on 27.5.17.

Cllrs Wood, Jones, Shields.

Action: JW/SJ/RS

17:028 Chairman's report (*for information only*).

Working party had a meeting to discuss the Cricket Club's proposal, minutes of the meeting to be circulated in due course.

Chairman and Clerk will be attending the Mayor Making event on the 17th May 2017.

17:029 Councillors' and Clerk's reports (*for information only*).

None at this time.

17:030 Requests for future agenda items (*for information only*).

None at this time.

17:031 Date of next meeting – 13th June 2017.

Noted.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:12 pm.