

BISHOP'S WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Resumption of the Meeting of the Parish Council adjourned on 10.9.19
held in the Jubilee Hall, Little Shore Lane, Bishop's Waltham
on Thursday 26th September 2019 commencing at 7.00 pm.

Present:

Cllr Mr T Wilson	Chairman
Cllr Mrs J Marsh	Vice Chairman
Cllr Mr N Cole	
Cllr Mr R Haysom	
Cllr Mr R Howe	
Cllr Mr S Jones	
Cllr Mr B Nicholson	
Cllr Mr R Shields	
Cllr Mrs L Thompson	
Cllr Mr A Webb	
Cllr Mr G Westcombe	
Cllr Mrs P Wilson	
Cllr Mrs J Wood	

In attendance:

Mrs L Edge – Executive Officer
Mrs E McKenzie – Deputy Executive Officer
Cllr Mr R Humby – HCC/WCC
Cllr Mr S Miller – WCC

Members of the public: 1

19:085 To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance.

Cllr Mrs Clarke – family commitment.

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

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Marsh

Seconded: Cllr Wilson

All in favour.

Apologies also received from Cllr McLean, WCC.

19:086 To receive and accept Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.

None relating to the business of the meeting.

19:087 To receive and accept any personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.

None relating to the business of the meeting.

The Chairman broke the meeting to announce that Bishop's Waltham had won the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Village of the Year competition. Thanks were passed to Cllr Shields, Mrs Sarah Berry and Mr Robin Shepherd for their work in preparing the submission document.

The meeting adjourned on September 10th 2019 now resumed.

19:088 Approval of the minutes of the meeting 9th July 2019.

Resolved: to approve the minutes of the meeting 9th July 2019.

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Wilson

Seconded: Cllr Webb

12 in favour, 1 abstention.

19:089 To receive the report from the County Council/District Council Representative – Cllr Rob Humby.

Cllr Humby reported/commented on the following: Apologies for non-attendance at previous meetings, this was due to having 4 Parish Councils who met on Tuesday evenings. The Clerk was in regular contact with his PA to address any issues; special Council meeting to discuss the 2050 vision for Hampshire; climate change emergency; appointment of Cllr Warwick as Assistant to the Executive for Environment; budget announcements; meeting with local MPs; Stagecoach route 69 rerouting; Bank Street correspondence re road closure.

Cllr Nicholson commented on the tree clearance works that HCC were undertaking on bus routes and the need to cut the trees back on Free Street.

19:090 To receive the reports from the District Council Representatives – Cllr D McLean and Cllr S Miller.

Cllr McLean – apologies received.

Cllr Miller reported/commented on the following: Congratulations to all for the Village of the Year win; Free Street yellow lining – new officer in post; 69 bus problems; car park review; climate change emergency – suggestions needed; Local Plan Review – employment sites needed; budget; HCC currently subsidising waste services – may be passed back to WCC; Station approach.

Cllr Miller took questions on a WCC cold caller survey and P & R sides.

19:091 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 Mrs Wilson

Seconded: Cllr Howe

All in favour.

19:092 Actions Arising from the minutes of the meeting of 9th July 2019.

Noted.

19:093 Ratification and payment of accounts – to authorise payments.

Resolved: to authorise the payments.

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Marsh

Seconded: Cllr Nicholson

All in favour.

19:094 To receive current financial statement and balance sheet.

Resolved: to receive the current financial statement and balance sheet.

Proposed: Cllr Cole

Seconded: Cllr Howe

All in favour.

19:095 Recommendation from the Finance, Policy & Resources Committee for consideration:

i) Upgrade of toilets at the Hoe Road pavilion.

Cllr Nicholson presented the proposal.

Resolved: to approve the spend of £12,373.42 +VAT for KJN Home Improvements to upgrade the toilets at the Hoe Road pavilion.

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Marsh

Seconded: Cllr Mrs Wilson

All in favour.

Action: Deputy Exec Officer

19:096 Relocation of hearing loop from office to Ruby Room.

To consider quotation received.

Discussion points: impact on room of other hirers; confidentiality issues; difficulty in meetings when system picks up other noises; portable system option.

Resolved: to approve the relocation of the hearing loop from the office to the Ruby room by Action on Hearing Loss at a cost of £1,401.20.

Proposed: Cllr Nicholson

Seconded: Cllr Mrs Marsh

All in favour.

Action: Admin Asst

19:097 Planning Applications:

i) To ratify the recommendations of the Planning & Highways Committee.

Resolved: to ratify the recommendations of the Planning & Highways Committee.

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Wilson

Seconded: Cllr Howe

All in favour.

ii) To ratify the recommendations of the delegated members of the Planning & Highways Committee.

Resolved: to ratify the recommendations of the delegated members of the Planning & Highways Committee.

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Marsh

Seconded: Cllr Howe

All in favour.

19:098 United Free Church Pedestrian Sign.

Proposal from Cllr Mrs Wilson for consideration.

Cllr Mrs Wilson presented her proposal.

Discussion points: other new sides provided in the town; possible location for new sign.

Resolved: to write to the responsible Cabinet Member outlining the Council's disappointment that the UFC is still waiting for their request for a pedestrian sign to be installed as agreed and promised these last 7 years.

Proposed: Cllr Mrs Wilson

Seconded: Cllr Cole

All in favour.

Action: Exec Officer

19:099 Jubilee Hall car park extension project.

i) Notes from working group meeting 30.7.19.

Noted.

Update received from Ed Molloy, Project manager – meeting with working group to be arranged.

19:100 Rural Exception Sites.
Update (for information only).
Noted.

19:101 Southern Parishes Group.
Notes from meeting held 22.7.19 (for information only).
Noted. Next meeting 21.10.19.

19:102 Councillors' surgeries.
i) Report on surgery held 27.7.19.

Noted.

ii) To confirm the Councillors for the surgery on 27.9.19.

Due to the adjournment of the meeting 10.9.19 it was agreed to cancel this surgery due to the short notice.

19:103 Working Group Status Updates (for information only).
Noted.

19:104 Chairman's report (for information only).
Chairman's report on file.

19:105 Councillors'/Clerk's reports (for information only).

i) Report on WCC PDC Meeting – Malt Lane Proposal – 18.7.19 – Cllr Shields.

Noted. Cllr Mrs Wood updated the Council on a conversation with Mr Francis of Country Homes who had advised that they would not be progressing the full development on the site.

ii) Report on meeting with Bargate Homes – 29.8.19 – Executive Officer, Cllr Shields.

Noted.

iii) WCC Planning meeting – Botley Road swimming pool application – Cllr Shields.

19:106 Requests for future agenda items (for information only).
None at this time.

19:107 Date of next meeting – 8th October 2019.
Noted.

19:108 Motion for confidential business:

The Chairman then moved:

“That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted involving commercially sensitive business as detailed below it is in the public interest that the public and the press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.

19:109 Jubilee Hall car park extension.

Funding proposal for consideration.

Cllr Wilson presented his proposal and outlined the funding situation.

Discussion points: use of CIL funding for other projects, Council reserves, loss of some funding from WCC.

Resolved: to fund the car park extension without having to increase the Parish Precept to permit other planned projects, to take advantage of the relatively low interest rates currently available and to arrange a Public Works Loan Board loan of £100,000 with a repayment period of 10 years. The loan repayments will then be funded by the receipts from the car park, again without any necessity to raise the Parish Precept.

Proposed: Cllr Wilson

Seconded: Cllr Mrs Marsh

All in favour.

Action: Exec Officer

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:34pm.