



Bishop's Waltham Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
Community and Environment Committee
held at The Jubilee Hall on Monday 27th June 2022 at 7:00pm

Present

Cllr D Iro	
Cllr E Jelf	Chairman
Cllr R Latham	Vice Chairman
Cllr J Marsh	
Cllr P Wilson	
Cllr J Wood	

In attendance: C Wilkinson Clerk to the Committee

Members of the public: 0

CE024/22 To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance.
None

CE025/22 To receive and accept declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests relating to items on this agenda.
None relating to the business of the meeting.

CE026/22 To receive and accept any personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests relating to items on this agenda.
None relating to the business of the meeting.

CE027/22 Public Session
The team organising the upcoming Henry VIII event (2nd and 3rd July) had contacted the Parish Council as part of the call for volunteers. Any councillors who were happy to volunteer should do so as individuals and contact the organising team directly to offer their assistance.

A public consultation meeting was planned for Monday 4th July to discuss a planning application for a solar farm. All Councillors were welcome to attend.

Hampshire County Council's Passenger Transport Forum was open to members of the public for comment. A social media post would be created to publicise this. **ACTION: Clerk**

A letter from Victim Support had been received thanking the Council for their recent grant.

CE028/22 To approve the minutes from the meeting of 23rd May 2022
Resolved: To approve the minutes of the meeting of 23rd May 2022.
Proposed: Cllr J Marsh
Seconded: Cllr J Wood
All in favour.

CE029/22 Actions arising from the meeting of the Community & Environment Committee – 23rd May 2022
Action item CE006/22 had been complete by Councillor Marsh, who had contacted Bishop's Waltham Junior school to thank their Eco Champions group for their efforts.
The target date for completion of the cycle route check was to be updated to September 2022.

CE030/22 Financial position year to date
Noted. The Senior Administration Assistance had offered to create a budget report for the recent Jubilee activities, this was welcomed by the Committee.

CE031/22 Forward Plan 2019-2023 - for information
Item CD 3.1.2, Identify location for Councillors' Surgeries had been discussed recently. The banner used at surgeries was reported to be broken and a replacement required. **ACTION: Clerk**

It was requested that copies of the new leaflet created by Winchester City Council for Bishop's Waltham be added to the Councillors' Surgery box of resources. **ACTION: Clerk**
It was suggested that local Tourist Information Offices be contacted to find out whether they had any leaflets regarding Bishop's Waltham, and to supply them if necessary (CD 3.1). **ACTION: Clerk**

CE032/22 Grant Opportunities – for consideration

Councillor Latham reported that a new round of funding might soon be available from Sport England that might be relevant to the Skate Park project.

CE033/22 To appoint representatives to the Town Team, Chamber of Trade, and other Organisations – for consideration

The following representatives were agreed by the Committee.

Organisation	Representative	Stand In Representative
Chamber of Trade	Cllr J Marsh	
Museum Trust	Cllr J Wood	Cllr P Wilson
North Pond Conservation Group	Cllr J Marsh	Cllr E Jelf
Swanmore College	Cllr R Latham	Cllr E Jelf
Town Team	Cllr D Iro	Cllr E Jelf

Resolved: To appoint representatives to Community Organisations as tabled above.

Proposed: Cllr J Marsh

Seconded: Cllr D Iro

All in favour.

CE034/22 Appointment of ex-officio member of the Environmental Initiatives Working Group – for consideration

Resolved: To appoint H Gabriel as an ex-officio member of the Environmental Initiatives Working Group.

Proposed: Cllr E Jelf

Seconded: Cllr R Latham

All in favour.

CE035/22 Environmental Policy – for consideration

Resolved: To authorise the Environmental Initiatives Working Group to draft an Environmental Policy for consideration by the CEC Committee.

Proposed: Cllr P Wilson

Seconded: Cllr E Jelf

All in favour.

CE036/22 Village of the Year Awards – for consideration

The value of the award was recognised by the Committee, however, it was agreed that a submission would not be made for this year's awards in light of other Parish Council priorities and the large number of ongoing projects.

Resolved:

i) To note the date of the Village of the Year Awards event as Thursday the 29th September.

ii) To approach the Town Team to offer assistance with any submissions for the 2022 scheme.

Proposed: Cllr E Jelf

Seconded: Cllr J Marsh

5 in favour, 1 abstention.

CE037/22 Repair Café suggestion – for consideration

The suggestion was considered by the Committee. The provision of such a resource was considered to be outside the Parish Council's remit. The Waltham Chase Repair Café was discussed. It was agreed that contact with this group would be made, to ask their permission to promote their services.

ACTION: Clerk

CE038/22 Dementia Survey – for consideration

It was acknowledged that highly valuable support for residents with dementia was already provided by groups such as the Meon Valley Carers and the Village Agent. Other established groups in the area were mentioned that provided valuable social opportunities.

Several members of the Committee had read the Dementia-Friendly Communities Guide and found it informative.

Opportunities to learn more about dementia were discussed and it was agreed that available training be investigated with a view to discussing the possibility of hosting some training for the benefit of the Parish Council and the wider community.

The Halls and Grounds Committee were to be requested to consider undertaking a dementia audit of Parish Council buildings.

ACTION: Clerk

Resolved: To authorise Councillor J Wood and the clerk to complete the survey on behalf of the Parish Council.

Proposed: Cllr P Wilson

Seconded: Cllr D Iro

All in favour.

CE039/22

Environmental Event – for consideration

The availability of the Gold Room on the agreed date was to be confirmed.

ACTION: Clerk

A future agenda item was requested to progress with the organisation of the event.

Resolved: To hold the environmental event of Saturday the 8th October, to coincide with the next litter pick event.

Proposed: Cllr P Wilson

Seconded: Cllr R Latham

All in favour.

CE040/22

Jubilee Celebrations Report – for consideration

The Committee discussed the recent Jubilee events at length. Areas for improvement were discussed including the need for promotion in local press. The events were noted as having been successful.

CE041/22

Carnival Parish Council Stand Report – for consideration

The results of the voting activity were discussed and actions agreed to move forward with the ideas where possible.

HCC to be contacted to request whether additional verges and other areas be identified as wildflower areas.

ACTION: Clerk

The Halls and Grounds Committee were to be notified of the popularity of the micro forest idea with a view to this being considered as a potential use for new land acquired by the Parish Council in the future.

ACTION: Clerk

Existing cycle routes were to be checked as part of an existing action item.

A suggestion was to be made to the Planning and Highways Committee that the importance of cycle routes be included in future discussions with potential developers and to continue to lobby to improve the number of cycle paths within Bishop's Waltham.

CE042/22

Councillors' Reports

i) Museum Trustees – for information

Noted.

ii) Swanmore College Community Meeting – for information

Noted. Councillor Wilson requested a copy of the meeting minutes.

ACTION: Clerk

CE043/22

Chairman's report – for information

Noted.

CE044/22

Requests for future agenda items – for information only

Environmental Event

Dementia awareness

CE045/22

Date of next meeting – 25th July 2022

Noted.

The meeting closed at 21.12 pm.