

WENDOVER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

3rd August 2021 at 7.30pm

Meeting held at St Anne's Hall

Present: Councillor Ballantine, Worth, Bulpett, Washington, Malleson, Gallagher, Lloyd-Evans, Williams.

Clerk: Louise Hayday

Chairman: Sheila Bulpett

Members of Public: 2

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

PC21/113 Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Durden-Moore and Councillor Walker, no apologies were received from Councillor Standen.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

PC21/114 None

3. MINUTES

Consideration of approval of minutes of the meeting of 6th July 2021

PC21/115 The minutes were **RESOLVED** as a true record and signed by the chairman.

4. CO-OPTION

Consideration of an application to co-opt onto the Council

PC21/116 The presentation was heard; the Chairman requested the Council members consider the application for discussion in confidence at the end of the meeting.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PC21/117 None

6. CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS

PC21/118 None

7. REPORTS FROM BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCILLORS

PC21/119 Cllr Richard Newcombe was in attendance, he confirmed the areas that each of the County Councillors would now be involved with.

Cllr Peter Strachan - Cabinet Member for Climate Change and Environment

Cllr Steve Bowles - Cabinet Member for Communities

Cllr Richard Newcombe - Audit and Governance Committee, [Central Buckinghamshire Area Planning Committee](#), [Strategic Sites Committee](#)

Cllr Newcombe explained the current issues in other areas within Buckinghamshire with HGV refuse collectors and that while there is currently no issue in the Aylesbury area it is worth being aware of. The three County Councillors had met with the HS2 Minister and voiced various concerns. The HS2 lorry traffic is now increasing and all were reminded of the need to report HS2 lorries cutting through Wendover. Cllr Newcombe was asked to chase up the 'No HS2 Traffic' signs.

There is a new local area technician for the Wendover area, Cllr Strachan would be meeting with him to discuss the issues at Clay Lane/Icknield Close.

The Planning department at Buckinghamshire Council are under a lot of pressure, planning applications have vastly increased and staffing is currently stretched, as a result planning applications may take slightly longer than usual.

Cllr Newcombe gave some figures for the community board spending, including stating that amounts over £3000 will require some match funding and amounts over £10,000 will require business plans. It was also stated that a maximum of £25,000 would be available per project, although this would be more flexible in the current financial year.

8. CLERKS REPORT

PC21/120 The Clerks report was NOTED

9. REPORT FROM THAMES VALLEY POLICE

PC21/121 None

10. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

PC21/122 Paul Mooring gave a written update from both the Highways & Transportation Action Group and the Environmental & Climate Change Action Group, both of which are part of the Community Board. The Council were encouraged to think of possible funding projects.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

PC21/123 The correspondence was discussed,

The Council **RESOLVED** to allow the Chiltern Ridge Ultra Trail to use Hampden Meadow for their race should they not be able to find more a more suitable location.

12. FINANCE COMMITTEE

To consider the list of payments and sign cheques

PC21/124 It was **RESOLVED** to accept the list of payments; the list and cheques were duly signed. BACS payments to be made on next working day.

13. PLANNING COMMITTEE

To note draft minutes of the meetings of 20th July 2021

PC21/125 The draft minutes were NOTED.

14. AMENITIES COMMITTEE

To note the draft minutes of 20th July 2021

PC21/126 The draft minutes were NOTED.

To consider a recommendation from the Amenities Committee

PC21/127 The Council **RESOLVED** to proceed with the new wildlife vision for the pond and convey this information to residents. The Council also **RESOLVED** to appoint the contractor who submitted quote one for the fencing work, at a cost of £16,654.60 to be paid from the pond EMR.

A discussion took place regarding fishing at the pond and the Council **RESOLVED** to allow fishing to return on a trial until the end of October 2021.

15. OTHER MATTERS

(a) HS2 Working Group

PC21/128 Cllr Bulpett updated on the meeting with the HS2 Minister, updated that a section 61 notice had been refused regarding working outside of designated hours and informed the Council that test piling would be started within the next few weeks with a large piling rig coming through to Rocky Lane. A discussion then took place regarding the perceived lack of transparency of the HS2 grant system.

(b) WPC 5 Year Plan Working Group

PC21/129 The group has now met twice, and work is well underway on the assigned objective.

(c) Speed & Noise Working Group

PC21/130 Paul Mooring gave a written update stating that the group had written to the Thames Valley Police & Crime Commissioner challenging the blanket ban on new speed cameras. He also stated that the group intended to start with the information consultation on the 20mph zone in September.

(d) WGNS Warden Event

PC21/131 The warden event is booked for 7th August 2.30pm- 4.30pm, current response is at 53 attendees.

(e) Policy Reviews

- (i) **PC21/132** The council **RESOLVED** to accept the updated Information Security Policy including the BYOD information.
- (ii) **PC21/133** The council **RESOLVED** to sign the Health & Safety Policy Statement.

(f) All Councils Charter

PC21/134 The council **RESOLVED** to approve the All Councils Charter when able to.

16. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

PC21/135 The date of the next Parish Council meeting is to be 7th September 2021. The Chairman also explained that a staffing meeting would be required and that this would take place on 17th August, time TBC.

17. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

PC21/136 A discussion took place regarding the application for co-option and it was **RESOLVED** to co-opt Rob Goodman to the council.

18. CLOSURE OF MEETING

PC21/137 The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed by *S. Bulpett*
Chairman to the Parish Council

Date: 07.09.2021