

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Bitton Parish Council held on Tuesday 11 January 2022 at 7.30pm at the Community and Youth Building, Rear of Redfield Edge School.

PRESENT: Councillors: J Allinson, M Bridge, R Coales, P Collins,
L Efthymiou, S Hawking, G Hardman, P Hughes,
St Nash, Su Nash, K Scudamore, A Thomas

Officer : Mrs K Fry – Clerk

234/22. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Rickerby and Williams.

235/22. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 14 December 2021 were presented. The accuracy of the Confidential Item on page 71 point 231/21 was raised. This was put to the Council with the majority agreeing the point was as agreed.

RESOLVED that under point 220/21 of the minutes, Mill Lane should be replaced with Cadbury Heath Road. With this amendment, the minutes of the meeting held on 14 December 2021 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

236/22. PLANNING COMMITTEE

The decisions made from the Planning Committee of the 4 January 2022 were presented.

RESOLVED that the minutes be received as presented.

237/22. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES AND OUTSTANDING ITEMS

The Clerk reported that she had started the process to adopt the Telephone Kiosk at Upton Cheyney. She had spoken with the Conservation Officer at South Gloucestershire Council to see if planning permission was required. The 90 day consultation period has commenced and she will update the Council further once more information is received.

238/22. UPDATE FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Hughes reported that rogue traders had been in operation and targeting vulnerable residents with spray insulation. He advised all to take a look at the South Gloucestershire Councils initiative “Warm Well”.

Councillor Hughes reported that further information is to follow on Small Business Grants for those businesses who have been hit hard by COVID.

Councillor Hughes reported that he has reported the non-existent road markings on West Street leading into the High Street to Streetcare.

239/22. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk gave an update on the hirers of the building and the new users that we have. She reported on the need to get the window in the kitchen of the Community Building fixed.

240/22. LONE WORKING POLICY

RESOLVED to amend point 7 to “they are not” rather than “she”. With this amendment this is to be adopted for a further 2 years and to be reviewed in January 2024.

241/22. LOCATION OF BENCH FOR QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE

RESOLVED to give Councillors time to consider this and to mark it as an agenda item for the February Full Council meeting.

242/22. WORKING PARTY FOR THE QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE

Councillors discussed holding an afternoon tea on the Thursday 2 June 2022 with 52 residents invited who were alive in 1952.

RESOLVED Councillors Allinson, Bridge, Efthymiou, Hawking and Hughes be on the Working Party.

243/22. TO CONSIDER THE CORRESPONDENCE FROM SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNCIL WITH REGARDS TO THE KISSING GATE AT PBN/62/30

RESOLVED to respond to South Gloucestershire Councils Public Rights of Way team asking them to ensure that the gate is accessible for all.

244/22. ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVED that the Annual Assembly will take place on Tuesday 12 April 2022 at 7.00pm. This will include the Annual Meeting of the Bitton Welfare Fund.

245/22. TO AUTHORISE THE COUNCILS FINANCES FOR THE PERIOD 1.4.21 – 4.1.22

The clerk circulated a financial report for the period 1.4.21 – 4.1.22. This was noted

246/22. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Clerk submitted a schedule of accounts for payment and authorisation.

RESOLVED that the accounts listed be settled and the schedule signed by the Chair.

The meeting ended at 8.25 pm

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Chair