Minutes of a Meeting of Wrington Parish Council held in the John Locke Room on Wednesday 20 February, 2019

Present: Cllr B Taylor (Vice Chair) Cllr P Ledbury

Cllr G Bigg Cllr S Lovell
Cllr P Jervis Cllr D Yamanaka

Judith Bishop (Assistant Clerk)

In attendance: Mr P Neve, Mr J Steinbach, the Revd David Gent and one resident.

As the Chair, Cllr Robertson, was absent the Vice Chair, Cllr Taylor, took over as Chair of the meeting.

Cllr Taylor proposed an extraordinary Planning Committee meeting be convened at the close of this meeting. The Planning Committee meeting scheduled for 19 February had not been quorate and, therefore, a meeting was required as a matter of urgency due to the necessity of submitting planning comments to NSC. This was unanimously agreed (see separate minutes in Planning Committee Minute Book).

1. To receive apologies for non-attendance and to approve the reasons where appropriate.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Robertson (prior commitment) and Rawlins (personal).

- To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) related to agenda items and to receive any amendments to the Register of Interests.
 Cllr Bigg declared an interest in agenda item 11c (renewal of annual membership to the Campaign to Protect Rural England) as she volunteers for the organisation.
- 3. To confirm and sign as a true record the minutes of the meeting held 19 January 2019.

The minutes were signed as a true record.

4. To adjourn the meeting for Public Participation.

Then to reconvene the meeting

One resident attended to observe the meeting as she is considering applying for cooption onto the Council. She did not wish to speak.

The Revd David Gent spoke in relation to agenda item 7b (email from Tina Huckle-Mills, Village Agent, with regards to a new project they have received funding for called 'Rural Connections in North Somerset' to help facilitate and support older people in the rural communities they live in and to help reduce loneliness) and how this initiative could be used to support residents travelling to the Pudding Pie Lane surgery or to access basic medical facilities away from the surgery. David Gent offered to speak further to Tina Huckle-Mills on this. Cllr Bigg offered to meet with David Gent and Tina Hucke-Mills. Cllr Yamanaka suggested the initiative should be promoted in the Village Journal.

5. Joachim Steinbach and Phil Neve to address the Council in relation to their requests to be co-opted to the Council.

Joachim Steinbach and Phil Neve addressed the Council with their reasons for wanting to join the Council. They then left the room, along with the other members of

the public present.

6. To consider the co-option of Joachim Steinbach and Phil Neve to the Council Councillors discussed the matter and considered whether to co-opt Joachim Steinbach and Phil Neve to the Council.

Resolved: It was unanimously agreed to co-opt Joachim Steinbach and Phil Neve to the Council.

Joachim Steinbach, Phil Neve and the other members of the public returned to the room. Joachim Steinbach and Phil Neve signed a declaration of office and were welcomed to the Council by the Chair.

- 7. To note items of correspondence received and requiring possible action:
 - Email from Penny Price, Access Support Officer, NSC concerning a Public Path Diversion Order- PPO 179, AX 30/71, Pharaohs House, Wrington Hill, Wrington. This was noted.
 - b) Email from Tina Huckle-Mills, Village Agent, with regards to a new project they have received funding for called 'Rural Connections in North Somerset' to help facilitate and support older people in the rural communities they live in and to help reduce loneliness.
 - See agenda item 4 (Public Participation) above. Cllr Bigg suggested Tina Huckle-Mills should be invited to the Annual Parish Meeting.
 - c) Letter from Alice Griffin, Senior Transport Planning Officer, informing the Council about the changes to the A5 bus service, effective since 4 February (previously circulated). This was noted.
 - d) Letter from Julia Ross, Chief Executive of Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group informing the Council that they are publishing proposals to reform urgent and emergency services at Weston General Hospital (previously circulated).
 - This was noted. The Clerk to promote the consultation.
 - e) Letter copied to the Council from a resident suggesting the Parish Council provides litter-picking equipment to volunteer residents. It was agreed to look into this further: Cllr Bigg offered to provide procedures from other organisations. The Assistant Clerk is to reply to the resident and also get costs of litter grabbers. Once more information is to hand, Cllrs Bigg and Lovell are to look at co-ordinating a litter picking event.
 - f) Letter from Vision North Somerset thanking the Council for their grant donation of £200. This was noted
 - g) Letter from the Secretary of Wrington Sports and Social Club regarding the improvements to the Pavilion and renewal of the lease.
 A discussion on this was carried forward to agenda item 12d (Reports).
- 8. To receive the Clerk's report. The report is available for inspection in the minute book.
 - Cllr Yamanaka asked for an update on the portable speed signs and re-iterated her offer to attend a site meeting about the location of the signs. The Clerk is to update the Council on her return to work.
- 9. To receive the Finance Statement and report and to authorise payments recommended for approval. Copies of the report circulated separately.
 - Approval for the following payments is sought:

North Somerset Council - monthly inspection of play areas, February £28.80 Travis Perkins – hardware for repairs:- play areas (£155.08) and the Memorial Hall (£80.32) £235.40 Parish Orderly – travel around the parish, 8 to 24 January 2019 £7.20 Regular payments: - cleaning of Broad Street toilets (Debbie Heal). Handyman (Charlie Griffin), NEST Pension Scheme and salaries for Clerk, Assistant Clerk & Parish Orderly. Vision North Somerset – grant (paid) £200.00 Simon Payne - new windows for John Locke House (paid) £2.910.00 North Somerset Council - contribution towards new footpath gates (paid) £400.00 The PCC of Wrington – hall hire for meetings about Bristol Airport expansion plans (paid) £45.00

Cllr Lovell proposed approval of the above payments with Cllr Bigg seconding the motion, all in favour.

- 10. To receive notes from the Finance Working Group and to consider any issues arising. Copies of the meeting notes circulated separately
 - Sycamore tree by the allotments

 Resolved: To reduce the height of the tree to the same level as the hedge.
 - NEST pension fund Resolved: Cllr Bigg was nominated to replace David Glynn as a delegate on the NEST pension fund.
- 11. To consider and agree the following proposed expenditure and recommendations:
 - a. To agree to proceed with a tree survey on Church Walk, the Glebe Field, The Recreation Field and the Broad Street toilets at a cost of £645.00 plus VAT. Resolved: To agree to this expenditure.
 - b. To agree to pay £108 towards a metal accessible footpath gate from Halfyard onto the adjacent field with a permissive path.
 - **Resolved:** To agree to this expenditure.
 - c. To agree to renew annual membership to the Campaign to Protect Rural England at a cost of £36.00.
 - **Resolved:** To agree to this expenditure.
 - d. To agree to renew the annual subscription to Clerks and Councils Direct at a cost of £75.
 - **Resolved:** To agree to this expenditure.
 - e. To agree to the increase in four Spinal Column points for the Clerk and Assistant Clerk (explanation papers sent to Councillors previously with the finance agenda) and to agree the Clerk increases her hours by two extra a week, effective from February. (The Assistant Clerk left the room and the Revd David Gent left the meeting)
 - **Resolved:** To agree to this expenditure.
 - f. To agree to pay overtime accumulated from November to the Clerk.
 Resolved: To agree to this expenditure. (The Assistant Clerk returned to the room)
 - g. To agree to purchase gravel to spread on the Albury's/Ladywell footpath at an estimated cost of £100.
 - Cllr Lovell questioned whether reinforced plastic mesh would be a better solution. **Resolved:** To agree to purchase gravel as above.

Cllr Taylor proposed approval of the above expenditure with Cllr Ledbury seconding the motion, all in favour.

12. Receive and consider reports from:

- a) District Councillor, Cllr Yamanaka. The report was received and noted. Cllr Yamanaka reported that NSC were increasing the budget for waste services and the Council should consider whether anymore litter bins were needed. The amount of litter in the verges near the airport was discussed. Although it was understood the airport organised regular litter picks it was felt the level of litter was currently unacceptable. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Jacqui Mills.
- NE Ward/Redhill, Cllr Lovell.
 Cllr Lovell reported that the Redhill Village Club is fundraising to refurbishing the play area.
- c) MVMP Patient Participation Group (PPG), Cllr Bigg Cllr Bigg reported there was to be a meeting tomorrow when more information should be made available on the new Medical Centre at Smallway, the Riverbank surgery and the practice's plans to change the Pudding Pie Lane surgery dispensary to a pharmacy.
- d) Wrington Sports & Social Club, Cllr Rawlins. Cllr Taylor reported, in Cllr Rawlins' absence, that WSSC and the Football Club have been invited to meet with a working group to develop a plan for alterations to the Pavilion and to begin discussions on the renewal of the lease. Cllr Jervis offered assistance with the drafting of a new lease when required.
- e) Twinning Association, Cllr Jervis.
 Cllr Jervis reported the Twinning Association no longer met on a regular basis.
- 13. To recommend and confirm that Cllr Rawlins becomes a Councillor Representative on the Memorial Hall and Recreation Field Committee. Cllr Ledbury proposed Cllr Rawlins' nomination with Cllr Lovell seconding the motion, all in favour.
- 14. To consider actions needed regarding the WSSC lease agreement, due to expire 30 September, 2020.See agenda item 11d above.
- 15. To review actions needed with regards to applying for a Modification Order for Railway Wharf, Wrington.
 - The paperwork has been received from NSC. It was agreed to send copies of the witness statements to all Councillors, with Cllrs Taylor and Ledbury distributing copies door to door near Railway Wharf. The need for witnesses should also be promoted using the usual channels.
- 16. To review progress and any further update on the 20mph speed limit scheme in Wrington.
 - As Cllr Robertson was absent it was agreed to wait until her return.

17. Consultations:

Proposed Change to Healthwatch Provision in North Somerset.
 http://consult.n-somerset.gov.uk/consult.ti/healthwatch_july18/consultationHome

Deadline for comments: 21 February, 2019.

Cllr Bigg urged Councillors to take part in the survey.

• Aviation 2050: The future of UK Aviation.

https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/aviation-2050-the-future-of-uk-aviation

Deadline for comments: 11 April, 2019.

This was noted and was to be discussed in the forthcoming Planning Meeting.

18. To receive matters for information and items for possible consideration at the next meeting of the Council to be held Wednesday 20 March.
There were no matters for consideration at the next meeting. However, Cllr Yamanaka requested the Clerk, on her return, update Councillors on the

arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.10pm.

Chair