Minutes of a Meeting of Wrington Parish Council held in Wrington Memorial Hall on Wednesday 16 February 2022

Present: Cllr P Neve (Chair)

Cllr B Taylor (Vice-chair)

Cllr L Samuel

Cllr H Ward

Cllr J Steinbach

F Burke (Clerk)

Cllr P Jervis

Cllr S Treweek

In attendance: Leo Taylor, NSC Parish Liaison Officer

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

Apologies were received from Cllr Vaughn (work commitment) and District Cllr Hogg.

- 2. To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) related to agenda items and to receive any amendments to the Register of interests.

 Cllr Yamanaka and Cllr Taylor declared an interest with regards to item 11.
- 3. To confirm and sign as a true record the minutes of the meeting held on 20 January 2022.

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

- 4. To adjourn the meeting for Public Participation.

 No members of the public were present
- 5. To note items of correspondence received and requiring possible action:
 - a. Letter from Stephen Porter requesting permission for the Football Club to make an application for planning permission to commence the process of greater use of the buildings. This was noted.
 - Cllr Neve confirmed that he had contacted representatives from the tennis club, the football club, the cricket club and the Memorial Hall Committee and had requested a meeting in order to clearly identify the needs, wishes and concerns of all parties and then determine what specific improvements will best meet these needs and that all can agree on.
 - b. North Somerset Council's finalised recycling and waste strategy for the next 10 years. This was noted.
 - c. A request from a resident for a new dog bin to be installed at the top of the Dring due to the lack of other bins in that area and repeated dog mess being reported. A discussion took place but no agreement was reached. The Clerk to circulate a list of current dog bins to all Councillors so more thought could be put into the best positioning of a new bin, if it were to be agreed.
 - d. A request from a resident to install a shed on allotment number 25a, 4ft by 3ft. This was approved.
- 6. To receive the Clerk's report. The report is available for inspection in the minute book. This was received.
 - It was agreed to continue with the application to the Bristol airport Community Fund for bus stops on the A 38, Cowslip Green (as previously agreed by the Council at the beginning of the pandemic).

• Phone box – Cllr Ward agreed to help Cllr Samuel with this. The Clerk will put a new sign up to deter people dropping off more books when it is already full.

 Platinum Jubilee – the Council does not have plans to construct a beacon for this due to the cost and logistical issues. The Wrington Fair week will be holding some Platinum jubilee themed events, so it was suggested that they should be encouraged to apply for a grant from the Council for these.

7. To receive written reports from:

- a. District Councillor Report, Cllr Hogg. This was received.
- b. MVMP Patient Participation Group (PPG), Cllr Bigg. Cllr Bigg gave a verbal update and reported that she had encouraged the Practice to use the village journal to reach residents to provide information on the appointment system going forward.
- c. Wrington Recreational Facilities Working Group, Cllr Ward. Cllr Ward reported that WSSC were proceeding with the various pieces of work that had been approved by the council.
- d. Bristol Airport update, Cllr Steinbach. At the Chair's request, Cllr Steinbach agreed to give his update at the end of the meeting to allow uninterrupted public participation during the discussion of the other agenda items. When public participation had ceased, he commented on the implications of the inspectors' decision to allow BAL's planning appeal and to grant outline planning permission. He explained briefly the legal remedy now available to North Somerset Council and community groups including the PCAA. There followed a wider discussion of these and related issues.
- e. Climate Change Working Group, Cllr Neve Cllr Neve reported that the rewilding scheme works had now started and were proceeding successfully.
- f. Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group update, Cllr Bigg. Cllr Bigg reported that due to recent medical issues she had been unable to progress this but would start work on it again soon.
- g. Twinning Association/French Connection, Cllr Jervis. Cllr Jervis gave an update on the plans for the visit for Villeneuve and explained what the Twinning Association had requested a grant for, this also covered under finance recommendations.
- 8. To receive the Finance Statement to authorise payments recommended for approval. The following payments were approved:

YMCA – Youth Club provision, January	£330.00
K & E Property Maintenance – dog bin emptying, January	£336.00
Clerks and Councils direct/Local Councils update annual renewal	£75.00
Aquablast, clearing blocked toilet in Broad Street	£114.00
Reimburse Parish Orderly for Heavy duty Leaf collectors from Amazon	£11.99
Kabelec Electrical Services – EICR work for the completion certificate at the	
pavilion	£695.00

Regular payments:- cleaning of Broad Street toilets (Debbie Heal), NEST Pension Scheme, salaries for Clerk, Assistant Clerk & Parish Orderly.

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

9. To receive the Finance group notes. The notes were received and noted.

10. To consider finance recommendations:

a) To approve a request for a grant of £1000 to the 'Wrington thru the lens' project from the budgeted Section 137 grant allocation. This to be subject to various conditions being met, as detailed in the finance meeting report.

Resolved: The grant request was approved by a majority subject to the grant money being paid into the Village Association or preferably the Local History Society. The grant form to be amended accordingly with a clear audit trail for this.

b) To agree to repair the leaking showers in the pavilion at a cost of £365.

Resolved: To agree to this work.

c) To agree to accept a quote from Centregreat for the six-year hard wire test of all Parish Council owned streetlights at a cost of £5,040.

Resolved: To agree to the test being carried out by Centregreat.

- d) To agree to remove accumulated items and rubbish from behind the hall next to the fence estimated removal price of £200.
- e) To agree to provide The Twinning Association with a grant of £272.11 to help towards the costs of maintaining their relationship with Villeneuve the Zoom subscription, web and domain hosting and software.

Resolved: To agree to the above costs.

f) To consider installation of a safety light, as detailed in the electrical safety certificate, with sensors to provide standard emergency lighting to the rear fire doors at the pavilion, to replace the lights that are no longer working at a cost of £420.00. **Resolved:** To agree to this installation at the above cost.

11. To ratify the Planning comments:

APPLICATION 22/P/0005/TPO – 33, GARSTONS CLOSE, WRINGTON, BS40 5QT The Council offers no objections to the pruning works proposed to this protected alder tree.

APPLICATION 22/P/0017/TRCA – 33, GARSTONS CLOSE, WRINGTON, BS40 5QT

The Council objects to the proposal to fell this Japanese Maple tree.

Resolved: To agree to ratify the above planning comments

12. To consider a date and possible content for the Annual Parish meeting (meeting of electors), to be held between March and June, 2022.

The clerk to circulate possible dates, 11 May being the most likely. Ideas for presentations at the meeting included rewilding. A newsletter would also hopefully be written for this meeting. The Chair asked for ideas to include in the newsletter to be circulated.

13. Consultations:

The West of England Combined Authority Spatial Development Strategy Update. Spatial Development Strategy - West of England Combined Authority (westofengland-ca.gov.uk)

Cllr Taylor provided an update on this.

14. To receive matters for information and items for possible consideration at the next meeting

No matters were received.

The Chair proposed a resolution that: The press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of item 7d on the grounds that publicity might be prejudicial to the public interest. All were in agreement. Leo Taylor left the meeting.

Cllr Steinbach addressed the Council with an update on Bristol airport, see minute 7d above.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 8.40pm.

Chairman