

**Minutes of a Meeting of Wrington Parish Council
held in Wrington Memorial Hall on Wednesday 20 April 2022**

Present: Cllr P Neve (Chair) Cllr B Taylor (Vice-chair)
Cllr M Abdul-Wahab Cllr J Steinbach
Cllr G Bigg Cllr D Yamanaka
Cllr J Coffey Cllr S Lovell (from item 4)
J Bishop (Assistant Clerk)

In attendance: A member of the public

1. To receive apologies for non-attendance and to approve the reasons where appropriate.
Apologies were received from Cllr Ward (work commitment), Cllr Samuel (work commitment), Cllr Vaughn (prior commitment), Cllr Treweek (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.
No declarations were received.
3. To confirm and sign as a true record the minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2022.
The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.
4. To adjourn the meeting for Public Participation.
A Member of the public spoke about North Somerset Council's Local Plan 2038 Preferred Options consultation.

Cllr Lovell joined the meeting

The member of the public was concerned that there was a discrepancy because the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) still showed that the east side of the village could have potential for development. He felt this left the village at risk to speculative development as the developer could argue that NSC were in favour of development at this location. He requested the Council ask for the SHLAA to be amended to show the land had been 'discounted for development'. Councillors discussed this and the 5 year housing supply figure. Cllr Taylor read out extracts from the Council's prepared response, which Councillors felt covered this issue. The member of the public offered to read and make comments on the Council's response.

The member of the public left the meeting

Then to reconvene the meeting

5. To note items of correspondence received and requiring possible action:
 - a. Email from North Somerset Council inviting the Councillors to attend one of two Town and Parish Forum Sessions on 26 and 27 April
This was noted. Councillors are to contact the Clerk if they would like to attend.
 - b. Email from Bristol Airport inviting the Council to comment on a proposed 'Parish Pack'.
Councillors thought the document was useful. Cllrs Taylor and Steinbach had discussed it in depth. Cllr Steinbach to prepare a response.

- c. Request from Wrington Sports & Social Club that therapy and hearing dogs can be allowed into the Pavilion (the current lease mentions guide dogs only).
Resolved: WSSC are to be informed that all types of assistance dogs are allowed in the building. There is no necessity to amend the lease but, in future, the rule will be 'No dogs are allowed in the Pavilion except for Assistance Dogs'.
- d. The PCAA's Draft response to NSC Local Plan 2038 Consultation
This was noted. Cllr Steinbach has discussed this with Cllr Burn and will feed back that this Council is happy with the draft.

6. To receive written reports from:

- a. District Councillor Report, Cllr Hogg.
The report had previously been circulated and was noted.
- b. MVMP Patient Participation Group (PPG), Cllr Bigg.
Cllr Bigg gave a verbal update on the most recent meeting and explained that the Group were looking at collecting their own feedback.
- c. Wrington Recreational Facilities Working Group, Cllr Ward.
No report had been received.
- d. Bristol Airport update, Cllr Steinbach.
Cllr Steinbach reported on Bristol Airport Consultative Committee (ACC) and the progress made to amend its constitution. He gave details of resolutions that had recently been passed which included: the Chair can only serve as such for two three-year terms, the Parish Councils' Airport Association (PCAA) will be a member of the ACC and there will be more Working Groups (meeting as required). He felt these were extremely positive developments. However, he noted that the issue of local authority officer membership of the committee had still to be addressed.
- e. Climate Change Working Group, Cllr Neve.
Cllr Neve reported that NSC's six-monthly climate report that identified transport and housing/energy as being issues in the parish. Cllr Bigg reported that the possibility of installing EV charging points in the Memorial Hall car park would be looked at when the Clerk returned from holiday.
- f. Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group update, Cllr Bigg.
Cllr Bigg reported that there was to be a meeting shortly with Celia Dring of NSC to discuss how the Neighbourhood Plan would fit with the Local Plan.
- g. Twinning Association/French Connection, Cllr Jervis.
No report had been received.

7. To receive the Finance Statement to authorise payments recommended for approval.

Memorial Hall – grant, 1st quarter 2022/23	£3,000.00
Centregreat Ltd - six-year hard wire test of all Parish Council owned streetlights	£6,048.00
Somerset Tiling & Home Improvement Ltd – tiling at the Pavilion	£350.00
Glen Hooper Tree Care – works to hedge and trees along the Tennis Courts at the Recreation Field	£1,920.00
YMCA – Youth Club, March	£440.00
K & E Property Maintenance – dog bin emptying, March	£336.00
Pro-Heating Services Ltd – plumbing repairs at Broad Street public toilets	£81.00
Travis Perkins – door handles for Broad Street public toilets (£10.66) and postcrete	
For repairs to the Wrington Hill village sign (£35.76)	£46.42
Water2Business – water & sewage for Broad Street toilets, September 2021 to March 2022	£138.96
North Somerset Council - monthly inspection of play areas, April 2022	£28.80
Parish Orderly – travel around the parish, 3 January to 1 April 2022	£9.90
Assistant Clerk – reimbursement following purchase of Microsoft 365 subscription, November 2021 to April 2022	£90.60

Assistant Clerk - topping up of petty cash following purchases of stamps (£31.68)	
And Staples (£1.15)	£32.83
Regular payments:- cleaning of Broad Street toilets (Debbie Heal), NEST Pension Scheme, and salaries for Clerk, Assistant Clerk & Parish Orderly.	
T Bird – handyman, tree planting (paid)	£132.00
Wrington WI – grant (paid)	£200.00
Wrington Village Fair – grant (paid)	£500.00
Glen Hooper – removal and trimming of hedges at the Recreation Field (paid)	£360.00

Resolved: Cllr Steinbach proposed approval of the payments, Cllr Coffey seconded the motion. All were in agreement.

8. To receive the Finance group notes.
These were received and noted.
9. To consider finance recommendations:
 - a. To agree to renew the NALC/ALCA annual subscription at a cost of £661.75.
 - b. To agree to use Oak Accountancy Services for the Council's annual internal audit at a cost of £385.00 plus VAT.

Resolved: Both of the above were approved. Cllr Steinbach proposed approval with Cllr Taylor seconding the motion, all in favour.
10. To confirm the chosen scheme option for the Silver Street Pedestrian improvement scheme.
Resolved: Subject to future approval of costings, the scheme (as per David Murphy's email dated 19 April 2022) was approved.
11. Following reports of vermin at the allotments, to consider options to resolve the issue. Councillors discussed the use of poison and other control methods. A vote was taken on prohibiting the use of poison on the site – all in favour apart from one abstention. However, it was not clear whether this could be achieved with the current tenancy agreement. Therefore, it was **Resolved:** The Council, are against the use of poisons because they harm the environment and other wildlife. The Council will provide information and encourage tenants to practice good husbandry of their plots to discourage vermin. The Council will also consider measures to attract predators to the site. Finally, a review of the tenancy agreement will be undertaken.
12. Consultations:
North Somerset Council – Draft Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) 2022-2025.
Resolved: Cllr Bigg to draft a response for Councillors' agreement via email.
13. To receive matters for information and items for possible consideration at the next meeting of the Council.
Cllr Abdul-Wahab proposed that if the 'build-out' at Butts Batch (part of the 20mph Scheme) needs to be moved this should be discussed.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 9.00pm.

Chairman