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## Minutes of a meeting of Wrington Parish Council held on Wednesday 16 November 2022

Present: Cllr P Neve (Chair) Cllr Abdul-Wahab

Cllr S Treweek Cllr B Taylor Cllr J Steinbach Cllr D Yamanaka

Cllr L Vaughn Cllr G Bigg F Burke (Clerk) Cllr Jervis

In attendance: District Cllr Hogg

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

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Lovell, Cllr Coffey, Cllr Ward and Cllr Houshmand-Rahimi.

- To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) related to agenda items and to receive any amendments to the Register of interests.
   No items were received.
- 3. To confirm and sign as a true record the minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 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. Email from a resident expressing concern over the changes at the pavilion and the impact on local community groups. It was agreed to discuss this under agenda item 10.
  - b. Email from a resident concerning dangerous parking along High Street. It was agreed to wait until the building works along the lower end of the High Street had finished and to then monitor the situation.
- 6. To receive the Clerk's report. The report is available for inspection in the minute book.
  - It was agreed to check with the NSC tree officer with regards to the best replacement tree for the Ash tree that has been felled due to Ash dieback near the Old Surgery site.
- 7. To receive summary reports from:
  - a. District Councillor Report, Cllr Hogg. Cllr Hogg gave a verbal report.
  - He reported that a new gully was being installed to help improve the large puddles on the new Silver Street pavement near Wrington motors.
  - An initiative is being set up with the residents of the Holiday Inn to hold a cultural event. Local churches will be involved, and Cllr Hogg asked if a representative from the PC would be willing to play some part in it.
    - b. Environment, Highways and Climate Change, Cllr Neve.

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No report had been received.

c. Bristol Airport update, Cllr Steinbach

Cllr Steinbach gave a brief verbal update. He said the Aviation Working Group had held separate meetings on 1 and 13 November. Louise Leeder had succeeded Hilary Burn as chair of the PCAA. A recent Zoom conference with Dr Liam Fox MP and Louise Leeder had been helpful. Cllr Steinbach had attended the High Court hearing of BAAN's planning statutory review of the appeal decision granting planning permission for an expansion of Bristol Airport. He had met BAAN's counsel, Estelle Dehon KC, an experienced environment lawyer. Her closing statement had been impressive.

- d. Recreational Facilities Working Group, Cllr Ward No report had been received.
- e. MVMP Patient Participation Group (PPG), Cllr Bigg
  Cllr Bigg had information on the structure and job roles within the practice she will circulate this.
- f. Twinning Association/French Connection, Cllr Jervis. Cllr Jervis had nothing to report on currently.
- 8. To receive the Finance Statement to authorise payments recommended for approval.

Travis Perkins – hardware graffiti removal at the Recreation Field	£10.97
G B Sport & Leisure UK Ltd – removal of slide at the Recreation Field	£540.00
G B Sport & Leisure UK Ltd – repairs to swings and seesaw seats at	
Church Walk play area	£712.80
North Somerset Council - monthly inspection of play areas, November	£28.80
M F Clark & Son – cutting grass at the Mike Bush Paddock and hedge	
cutting at the Mike Bush Paddock and allotments. £1,250.00	
K & E Property Maintenance – dog bin emptying, October	£369.60
YMCA – Youth Club provision, October	£330.00
Regular payments:- cleaning of Broad Street toilets (Debbie Heal), NEST	
Pension Scheme, and salaries for Clerk, Assistant Clerk & Parish Orderly.	
The Royal British Legion – donation towards Remembrance Wreath (paid)	£30.00
Society of Local Council Clerks – Clerk's subscription (paid) £215.00	

Cllr Steinbach proposed approval of these payments, Cllr Taylor seconded the motion, all were in favour.

## 9. Matters of finance to consider:

a. A request from Bravo Medics for a £500 grant to fund their critical care volunteer responders in and around Wrington.

Councillors looked favourably on this application but wished to request that a representative from the organisation come along, if possible, to a meeting to explain more about what they do.

10. Wrington Sports and Social Club/the pavilion – decision on next steps to take. Councillors discussed this at length. Concerns raised by the Council include: food provision, membership and how Community groups appear to be being discouraged from hiring the pavilion due to the change of set up. All Councillors present were opposed to the pavilion running a takeaway service.

**Resolved:** To set up a working group/meeting with members of the WSSC to raise the Council's concerns.

Representatives from the Council of this working group: Cllrs Neve, Treweek, Jervis, Steinbach and Ward (currently away but as Chair of the Recreational Facilities group

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it was felt she should be present if possible).

11. To ratify a quote, recommended by the Recreational Facilities group, of £41,600 from Proludic for play equipment on the Recreation Field. These funds to come from the Play improvement grant (£20,000) and the Bristol airport Community fund (£10,000), with the remainder to come from the Council's budgeted capital reserves for play equipment.

**Resolved:** The quote was ratified, all in agreement.

- 12. To consider the issue of light pollution in the Parish (Cllr Treweek). It was agreed to postpone this item until another meeting.
- 13. To note and inform Councillors of 'Small business Saturday' on 3 December (Cllr Neve). Cllr Neve did not have anything to report on this. He had previously thought there may have been funding available, but this tuned out not to be the case.
- 14. To note the agreement on the 2022/23 new pay scales by the Local Government Association (LGA). These to be implemented from 1 April 2022. Also, to note that, with effect from 1 April 2023, an increase of one day to all employees' annual leave entitlement has been agreed. This was noted.
- 15. Consultations:
  - The Boundary Commission for England, 2023 review of Parliamentary constituencies BCE Consultation Portal (bcereviews.org.uk), Closing date: 5<sup>th</sup> December This was noted. It does not have an effect on Wrington.
- 16. To receive matters for information and items for possible consideration at the next meeting of the Council.
  - Councillors wished to thank Leo Taylor, Parish Liaison Officer, for his help over the last few years. He has now stepped down from the role.

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