Minutes of a meeting of Wrington Parish Council held on Wednesday 20 September 2023

Present: Cllr D Yamanaka (Chair) Cllr B Taylor

Cllr J Morgan Cllr Abdul-Wahab

Cllr J Steinbach Cllr G Bigg
Cllr S Treweek (to item 8) Cllr T Woolway

J Bishop (Assistant Clerk)

In attendance: Four residents

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

No apologies had been received.

 To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) related to agenda items and to receive any amendments to the Register of interests.
 No declarations of interest were received.

3. To confirm and sign as a true record the minutes of the meeting held on 16 August 2023.

The minutes were signed as a true record.

4. To confirm and sign as a true record the confidential minute 5 of the extraordinary meeting held on 16 August 2023.

The minutes were signed as a true record.

5. To adjourn the meeting for Public Participation.

Four residents attended the meeting to discuss possible issues relating to the planters on School Road. A report was read out highlighting what they believed were the safety and legal issues associated with the planters, possible alternatives and what the proposed future consultation might look like. Cllr Yamanaka explained that the Parish Council understood the consultation (which would include the yellow lines as well as the planters) was the responsibility of NSC but would be organised in conjunction with the Parish Council, the School and NSC officers. One of the residents said, from emails with NSC, he understood that only the Parish Council and the school were to be consulted but Cllr Yamanaka replied that this was not her understanding. It was agreed to contact NSC about the consultation (ie what form it might take and when it is likely to start). The issue of whether the planters complied with the Disability Discrimination Act had previously been raised with NSC and it was agreed to now press them for an answer and request that the planters were removed temporarily if it was established they were not DDA compliant.

The residents left the meeting

Then to reconvene the meeting

6. To note items of correspondence received and requiring possible action:

a. A request from the Wrington Dickensian Fayre Committee enquiring if the Council will be supplying a Christmas tree on the village green this year and if it would be ready for switch on at the Fayre on 8th December. Resolved: To provide the tree as in previous years. Cllr Woolway proposed approval and Cllr Bigg seconded the motion; all were in favour.

- b. Email regarding Bristol Water supply to Butts Batch and Kings Road and identified leakage.
 - Cllr Abdul-Wahab outlined the history of the water supply, why the pipes were privately owned and the potential costs to residents if Bristol Water installs a new supply. Several courses of action were suggested including contacting West of England Rural Network (WERN) and it was agreed the Parish Council would contact ALCA to see if this issue has arisen in any other parishes.
- c. Request from NSC Wildlife and Woodland Expansion Officer for ideas on where further tree planting may take place in the Parish.

 Councillors should email the Clerk with any suggestions.
- d. Emails regarding the School Road planters.
 This had been discussed under agenda item 5 (Public Participation) above.
- e. Email from a resident concerning the use of the North side of the allotments.

 Resolved: To inform the resident that the Council did not wish to sell the land.

7. To consider reports from:

- a. District Councillor Report, Cllr Hogg No report had been received.
- b. Bristol Airport update/Aviation, Cllr Steinbach Cllr Steinbach gave a report. He said he would like to call a meeting of the Aviation Working Group shortly. He outlined the details of planning application 23/P/1637/FUL (for the use of land at 'Cogloop 2' for additional parking during the building of the public transport interchange and multi-storey car park). He felt the issues raised by the application were as much about public order as of planning which would require co-operation between NSC and the police. Finally, the airport had asked Parish Councils to list their three keys issues. Councillors mentioned: illegal parking on the A38, possible use of bollards on A38, off-site parking in local villages, lack of advertising about the free Silver Zone waiting area, poor traffic management leading to long queues near the airport and noise issues (particularly relating to early morning and night flights). Cllr Yamanaka asked that all these issues should be passed to the airport, not just three of them.
- c. MVMP Patient Participation Group (PPG), Cllr Bigg
 In relation to a recent survey conducted by MVMP, Cllr Bigg reported that there
 appeared to be discrepancies between the findings of the survey and the
 practices own internal figures. MVMP are continuing to use the 'eConsult'
 system and reception will assist any patients who do not have internet access.
- d. Wrington Recreational Facilities No meeting had taken place.
- e. Environment, Highways and Neighbourhood Plan
 No meeting had taken place. Cllr Bigg reported that the results of the Local Plan
 consultation would be available shortly. This would mean the Council could
 begin working on the Neighbourhood Plan again.
- f. Wrington Sports and Social Club (WSSC)

 No meeting had taken place. Cllr Treweek would like more information on the financial relationship between WSSC and the 'Rec Bar'.

8. To receive the Finance report to authorise payments recommended for approval. Copies of the report circulated separately.

Memorial Hall – Investment income paid on behalf of the Parish Trust	£257.86
Redhill Village Hall - Investment income paid on behalf of the Parish Trust	£85.95
Tincknells – fuel for strimmer	£24.99
Naturescape Wildflowers LLP – grass and flower seeds for the Quarry Project	£64.99
Aqua Washroom Solutions Ltd - servicing of sanitary bins at Broad Street publ	ic
toilets, 3rd quarter 2023/24	£20.10
K & E Property Maintenance – dog bin emptying, August	£462.00
North Somerset Council - monthly inspection of play areas, September 2023	£28.80
Regular payments:- cleaning of Broad Street toilets (D Evans), NEST Pension Scheme,	
HMRC (Tax & NI 2nd quarter 2023/24) and salaries for Clerk, Assistant Clerk and	
Parish Orderly.	
North Somerset Council - monthly inspection of play areas, August 2023 (paid)	£28.80
North Somerset Council – Recharge of election Expenses for Local Elections	
May 2023 (paid)	£184.00
Aquablast Drain Services – plumbing repairs, Broad Street Public Toilets (paid)	£138.00
K & E Property Maintenance – dog bin emptying, July (paid)	£369.60
Assistant Clerk – reimbursement following purchase of a toilet roll holder for	
Broad Street Public Toilets (paid)	£5.48
Scott Arrowsmith – plants for village planters (paid)	£105.00
Kabelec Electrical Services Ltd – replacement lighting to toilet, corridor and	
changing room (£1,519.20), faulty lighting in corridor (£102.00) and	
repairs to kitchen water heater (£105.60) (paid)	£1,726.80
D B Jonas – contribution towards new flooring at the Pavilion (paid)	£6,500.00

Cllr Steinbach proposed approval of the above payments. Cllr Taylor seconded the motion; all were in favour.

- 9. To consider the following proposed expenditure and recommendations:
 - a. To renew the annual subscription of the Society of Local Council at a cost of £296
 - **Resolved:** To renew the subscription as above. Cllr Taylor proposed approval and Cllr Steinbach seconded the motion; all were in favour.
 - b. To consider and approve the Redhill village Hall annual accounts, to enable their 2023/24 annual grant of £2500 to be paid.
 - **Resolved:** The annual accounts were approved and it was agreed to pay the annual grant. Cllr Morgan proposed approval and Cllr Woolway seconded the motion; all were in favour.
 - c. To consider a request from the Twinning Association for the Council to provide reimbursement for some of the running costs, totalling £222.69, and as has been done in previous years.
 - As the Parish Council no longer has a representative on the Twinning Association it was agreed the Association should complete a grant application form for discussion at a future Parish Council meeting.
- 10. To re-consider a request from Rose Cottage to re-route the garden wall between Rose Cottage and the John Locke Hall (as per planning application 21/P/2784/FUH) and to consider the implications of this. Further information/discussions have taken place since this was discussed in the July Parish Council meeting. After discussing the further issues raised by the owners of Rose Cottage, it was

realised that Marshall Clements, the Chair of Wrington Memorial Hall & Recreation Field Committee (who had been present at the first meeting), had not been informed of this latest correspondence. Therefore, it was agreed to carry forward this item to the next meeting so his views could be included in the discussion.

11. To consider a request from the quarry volunteer group who have asked if the Wrington Quarry could be known as Prestow Wood Nature Reserve (explanation about this sent out via email) and to consider signage for the quarry following on from the name change request.

Resolved: To change the name to Prestow Wood Nature Reserve. Cllr Bigg proposed approval and Cllr Morgan seconded the motion. Cllr Steinbach abstained but all other Councillors were in favour.

Resolved: The sign at the quarry face to read – 'Wrington Parish Council. Warning falling rocks. Users of this land do so at their own risk'

The signs at the entrances to read – 'Prestow Wood Nature Reserve. Leave only footprints. Take only photos. Please leave it neat and tidy and leave your bikes behind as they would disturb the growing plants. Warning - unstable quarry faces. Do not leave the path (in bold). Wrington Parish Council'

- 12. To consider a request from Wrington Redhill Football club/Wrington Sports and Social Club for permission to proceed with a grant application to the Football Foundation. Resolved: The Parish Council has no objection in principle to this request but a Working Group should be set up to look at all the issues involved. The group should consist of Cllrs Yamanaka, Treweek and Steinbach as well as Marshall Clements (representing Wrington Memorial Hall & Recreation Field Committee), Guy Winterbourne (representing WSSC) and Stephen Porter (representing Wrington Redhill Football Club). It was noted that the plans included with the email showed the door on the right of the front elevation of the extension had not been moved to the side of the extension (as requested by the Cricket Club to avoid the door opening behind a bowler's arm). The Assistant Clerk to remind Wrington Redhill Football club/WSSC about this.
- 13. To adopt Wrington Parish Council's updated code of conduct. Resolved: To adopt the updated code of conduct and to review it every four years. Cllr Taylor proposed approval and Cllr Morgan seconded the motion; all were in favour.
- 14. Consultations:
 - Corporate Plan and Budget Engagement (email circulated)
 deadline 16 October, 2023.
 - Cllr Yamanaka offered to review this consultation.
- 15. To receive matters for information and items for possible consideration at the next meeting of the Council.
 - Matters carried forward for further consideration are: possible grant to the Twinning Association (item 9c above) and to re-consider a request from Rose Cottage to reroute the garden wall between Rose Cottage and the John Locke Hall (item 10 above).

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 21.15pm.