

# Minutes of a Meeting of the **PARISH COUNCIL**

held on

Tuesday 10 January 2023 at 8:00pm

PRESENT: Cllrs: Mike Coker, Steve Collett, Hilary Doyle, Matthew Furber, Katherine Giles,

Ian Leake, Wendy Letton, Sarah Peacey & Paul Smith

Also present: Ceri Rance, Clerk & Amanda Sculley, Deputy Clerk

116 **APOLOGIES** 

None.

117 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** 

None declared.

118 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** 

None.

- 119 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON 13 DECEMBER 2022
- 119.1 It was proposed by Cllr Doyle, seconded by Cllr Coker and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 13 December 2022 should be approved and signed as a correct record.
- 120 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13 DECEMBER 2022.
- 120.1 None
- 121 **COMMITTEE MINUTES**
- 121.1 Planning & Transportation Committee held on the 20 December 2022

It was proposed by Cllr Doyle, seconded by Cllr Collett and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning & Transportation Committee held on 20 December 2022 should be approved and signed as a correct record.

122 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MINUTES

None.

- 123 **ACCOUNTS 2022-23**
- 123.1 Payment Approval List

It was proposed by Cllr Doyle, seconded by Cllr Collett and RESOLVED to accept the payment list totalling £20,106.00 and these be approved for payment. It was agreed that Cllr Collett should authorise the payments with the bank.

123.2 Projected Spend

The up-to-date spreadsheet was reviewed and NOTED.

123.3 CIL Update & Tracker

Councillors NOTED the receipt of a Liability Notice received regarding the application 22/00647/FUL Norbury, London Road, RG42 4BS, for £232,909.23. The parish share would be £58,227.31.

123.4 Quarterly Bank Reconciliations

The quarterly bank reconciliations to 31 December 2022 and bank statements were considered and the reconciliations were signed by the Chairman.

123.5 Internal Controller's Report

Cllr Leake's report was received and NOTED.

123.6 3Q Payments Over £500

The report was received, NOTED and signed by the Chairman.

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#### 124 REPORTS FOR DECISION

#### 124.1 Committee Choices for New Councillor

Cllr Letton agreed to join both the Planning and Transportation Committee and Foxes' Den Governance Committee. She would attend other committees to consider joining them too.

#### 124.2 Foxes Den

The report was considered. After discussion it was agreed to defer the rent review until the April Council meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Giles and **RESOLVED** to agree to the request to invoice the rent monthly, rather than quarterly. The other recommendations: change of name of the committee; changes to the Terms of Reference; and committee dates; would be considered at the next meeting of the Foxes' Den Governance Committee. The next meeting is set for Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm.

#### 124.3 War Memorial

The memorial, which is situated in the grounds of St Marks Church, has some cracks which have started to expand and chip. The office contacted AF Jones Group who are specialist stone masons to investigate the cost of necessary repairs. In order for AF Jones to provide an accurate quote, an initial assessment must be carried out at a cost of £150. It was proposed by Cllr Coker, seconded by Cllr Doyle and **RESOLVED** to approve the assessment cost of £150.00 to be taken from budget line 57: Contingencies. Councillors asked if A F Jones Group would be able to identify the cause of the cracks during the assessment. The office was asked to investigate.

## 124.4 Annual Parish Meeting

Councillors considered the report. After discussion the following was agreed.

- The meeting would be held at the Foxes' Den, Benetfeld Road on Thursday 23 March 2023.
- Philip Sadler, Electoral Services Manager, Democratic and Registration Services Delivery, would be invited to present to residents about the election in May and about the changes to the warding of the parish.

# 124.5 **Grants**

The Council considered the 13 applications submitted totalling £7,335.00. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Doyle and seconded by Cllr Smith and **RESOLVED** to make the following grant awards.

Name of Organisation	Award
1 <sup>st</sup> Binfield Rainbows	£390.00
1 <sup>st</sup> Binfield Brownies	£450.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Binfield Rainbows	£300.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Binfield Brownies	£250.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Binfield Guides	£495.00
Citizens Advice Bracknell & District	£1000.00
Cruse Bereavement Care Thames Valley Berkshire	£500.00
Foxes Den Community Hub	£450.00
Plus 3 Nurseries	£1000.00
South Berks Gang Show	£500.00
South Hill Park Arts Centre	£750.00
Stepping Stones	£750.00
Thames Hospice	£500.00
Total	£7,335.00

All organisations will be notified of their award and payments will be included in the payment approvals list for the February council meeting.



# 124.6 Welcome to Binfield Road Signs

Bracknell Forest Council requested that we pay for two new "Welcome to Binfield" signs. It was proposed by Cllr Doyle, seconded by Cllr Collett and **RESOLVED** to pay £528.22 for the signs with funds coming from ClL funds. Councillors asked the Clerk to arrange cleaning of the sign on Howe Lane.

# 124.7 CIL Projects

There was no update to report.

#### 125 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

#### 125.1 Clerk's Report

The report was **NOTED** and the following comments were made.

# 125.2 Repair to the York Road Seesaw

Eibe Play Limited had provided a free of charge replacement part to repair the seesaw. The installation charge was not covered by the guarantee. It was proposed by ClIr Doyle and seconded by ClIr Collett and **RESOLVED** to agree the installation with £1,933.33 coming from CIL funds. The Clerk was asked to ensure that if this should fail again the installation charge would be included in the free of charge replacement.

## 126 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Meeting closed at 10.05pm

Hilary Soyle.

