

Minutes of the meeting of the Hartley Wintney Full Council held at 7.30pm on Monday 4th April 2022 in the Victoria Hall, West Green Road, RG27 8RG to which Councillors were summoned to attend.

Present: Cllr Chris Farrance (Chairman), Cllr Stuart Elborn, Cllr Diana Harvey, Cllr Richard Dodds, Cllr Roger Robertson, Cllr Nick Cooper, Cllr Chris Cornwall, Cllr Stuart Ovenden, HDC Cllr Tim Southern, HCC Cllr Tim Davies

In attendance: Cllr Becky Moss, Karyn Reid (Executive Clerk) and Helen King (SCO)

20/21PC 101. OPEN FORUM

There were no members of the public in attendance.

20/21PC 102. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence received from Cllr Peter Gee, Cllr Janaka Alwis, Cllr Steve Airton, HDC Cllr Anne Crampton and HDC Cllr Spencer Farmer

20/21PC 103. DISPENSATIONS & DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Executive Clerk previously granted dispensation to all members for business conducted within Full Council meetings until 31st March 2022.

No Declarations of interest were made.

20/21PC 104. WARD MEMBERS REPORT

Please see appendix.

HCC Tim Davies shared that he has spoken to all affected parish councils, Reading Buses and the local MP regarding the cancellation of the No.7 Reading buses service. It is apparent that the Tiger No.7 Bus was not being used sufficiently to warrant its use. Cllr Rob Humby has spoken to his counterpart at Reading Unity Authority and Cllr Davies has spoken to Wokingham Borough Cllr for Swallowfield; Stuart Munro. Swallowfield have used section 106 funds to subsidise the service as far as Riseley. HCC will not use section 106 funds to subsidise the No.7 bus through Hartley Wintney. Cllr Davies noted that the leader of HCC has announced that he is intending to stand down in May, there will be a leadership election.

Cllr Farrance wished to note our appreciation that Cllr Humby has responded to our letter regarding the No.7 Bus cancellation and has engaged fully with HWPC.

20/21PC 105. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, ACTIONS LOG & PARISH OFFICE REPORT

Cllr Elborn proposed approval of the minutes and actions log of the Full Council Meeting on 7th March 2022, seconded by Cllr Harvey. **AGREED by all.** Cllr Farrance signed the minutes as a complete and accurate record.

The Cllrs reviewed the actions log. Cllr Farrance noted that it was decided not to publish an article on the precept within the contact magazine. Cllr Farrance shared that Cllr Airton attended a meeting with HWFC and HWJFC regarding a 3G pitch, HWPC will be supporting partners rather than sponsors of the project.

Cllr Farrance wished to thank the office staff for arranging a farewell celebration for John Cox.

20/21PC 106. PARISH COUNCIL FINANCE - To review & approval of following:

- i) To approve Payments listing (attached)

The Council reviewed the Payments listing. Cllr Harvey proposed approval of the payments listing, seconded by Cllr Cooper. **AGREED by all.**

- ii) To receive Income & expenditure, cashbooks & bank reconciliations for February 2022 (attached)

Cllr Farrance noted receipt of the Income & expenditure, cashbooks and bank reconciliations for February 2022.

- iii) Update and recommendation from E&A Committee (attached)

The Executive Clerk shared a recommendation from the E&A Committee regarding the shared funding proposal of cricket nets at the Lucy Pygott Centre. **The Council AGREED recommendation.**

20/21PC 107. PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

- i) To consider “20’s plenty for us” Campaign (attached)

The Cllrs reviewed the ‘20’s plenty for us’ campaign proposal and accepted the initial principles of the campaign. The Cllrs discussed the requirement for a community consultation regarding driving speeds within the village. Cllr Farrance requested that Cllr Davies discuss this further at his next HCC meeting.

ACTION; C.Cllr Davies to raise public consultation aspect of ‘20 is Plenty’ scheme at his next HCC meeting.

- ii) To discuss arrangements for Annual Parish Meeting (circulated)

The Executive Clerk noted that the proposal is to replicate last years APM in a face to face meeting at the Victoria Hall, rather than online. HWPC will facilitate the meeting for the community.

- iii) Annual General Meeting – points to note

Cllr Farrance noted that he will be standing down as Chairman in May, however will stay on the Parish Council for a further year. Cllrs also shared that Cllr Airton wishes to stand down as chair of E&A and Cllr Harvey is standing down as chair of Planning.

20/21PC 108. CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH COUNCILLOR MATTERS

Cllr Robertson queried when the new parish truck will be ready. The Executive Clerk confirmed that the delivery date is still expected to be the end of April. Cllr Robertson shared his frustration regarding the delay to the ponds and commons 10 year strategic review.

Cllr Farrance noted that the zebra crossing on the High Street needs repointing and refacing. Cllr Davies confirmed that he will raise this with Highways. Cllr Farrance noted that he has received resident concerns that the public toilets in the Monachus Lane Car park are closing too early. The Executive Clerk noted that HWPC can decide what time to close the toilets as the lock is on an automatic timer. The Council agreed that 8pm is a suitable time.

ACTION: Executive Clerk to arrange for Public Toilets timer change to 8pm Summertime.

20/21PC 109. COMMITTEE MINUTES & UPDATE INC. WORKING GROUPS

- i) Committee meetings – to receive approved minutes (circulated)

The Council noted that Committee meeting minutes were received.

20/21PC 110. CONFIDENTIAL MATTER FOR DISCUSSION

The Council discussed and agreed any necessary actions on a confidential matter for Hartley Wintney Parish Council

20/21PC 111. CORRESPONDENCE & DATES OF MARCH MEETINGS

The committee discussed correspondence received from a resident querying whether HWPC have any specific plans to support Ukrainian refugees. Cllr Farrance suggested sharing this with Dorothy Harvey of the Community Hub.

A resident of Paddock Court has complained of tree roots from the Jubilee Fields causing damage to his patio. The Executive Clerk shared that there is no obligation on the HWPC's behalf to rectify this.

However, there is a suggestion that the trees haven't been maintained regularly enough and require an arboreal survey of the tree health.

ACTION: Executive Clerk to arrange for a basic survey of the trees and quotes for remedial works.

- Planning Committee – Monday 11th April 2022 at 7.00PM
- Finance Committee – Monday 25th April 2022 at 7.00PM

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 20.59

..... Chairman

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Appendices

- Actions Log
- Payments Listings
- Finance paperwork
- Ward members report
- Recommendation from E&A Committee
- 20 is plenty campaign document.
- Correspondence

Abbreviations used in these minutes: Cllr ~ Councillor. HCC ~ Hampshire County Council. HDC ~ Hart District Council. HWPC ~ Hartley Wintney Parish Council. LPC ~ Lucy Pygott Centre. HWFC – Hartley Wintney Football Club. HWJFC – Hartley Wintney Junior Football Club.