

RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 18th October 2021 at 7.30p.m. at Hanham Hall, Whittucks Rd, Hanham

PRESENT: Members: Councillors J Goddard, H Goddard, T Bray, B Langley & S Atwell
Officer: Mrs C Dolman – Clerk
Others: None

1. Appointment of Chairman for the ensuing year

Resolved that Councillor J Goddard be appointed as Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

2. Appointment of Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year

Resolved that Councillor T Bray be appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

3. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Hicks.

4. Confirmation of minutes

Resolved that confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd April 2021 as printed and circulated, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5. Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported on the following:-

- The in-year assurance audit will be undertaken by SGC earlier than normal this year to ensure that it is completed by the time the new Clerk takes over.
- Following the recommendation to donate £250 to the Royal British Legion, the Clerk contacted them asking for BACS details to make the payment. Unfortunately, they are unable to accept BACS payments and can only accept payments by credit/debit card which the parish council are not able to do. The Clerk will try to contact their local office to see if payment can be made by cheque.

6. Consideration of Planning Matters

Resolved that the following comments be made:-

P21/04593 **Land adjacent to 15 Castle Farm Road**

Erection of one dwelling with access, parking and associated works.

Objections. We reiterate the comments made on application P21/04593 – the proposed dwelling appears to be out of character with neighbouring buildings and the demolition of the natural stone boundary wall will have a detrimental impact on the character of the area. This does not accord well with NPPF Section 13 and PSP7 of the Policies Sites & Places Plan. The proposed development is in the Green Belt and we do not consider that any special circumstances exist to compensate for loss of green belt amenity.

7. Financial Report

The Clerk presented the Financial Report including summary of bank accounts, summary of payments and receipts against budget, year end bank reconciliation and corresponding bank statements which were duly noted and agreed.

8. Consideration of grant applications

The Clerk circulated grant application forms from Friends of Avon Valley Woodlands and Bristol East Fringe Cycle & Walking Group.

Recommended that:-

Friends of Avon Valley Woodlands receive a grant of £250 (*Cllr T Bray declared an interest as he is a member and refrained from discussions*)

Bristol East Fringe Cycle & Walking Group receive a grant of £250

9. Adoption of Training Policy

The Clerk circulated a Training Policy for consideration. Recommended that this Training Policy be duly adopted.

10. Review of insurance provision

The Clerk circulated the current insurance schedule from Hiscox which was reviewed by members.

Recommended that under Property – Buildings:-

- The sum insured for Gates & Fences be increased to £500 to cover both gates at Hanham Common
- The sum insured for Playground Equipment be increased to £11,000 to cover the two spring riders that were installed earlier this year.
- The sum insured for Other Surfaces be increased to £2,528 to cover the rubber surfacing in the play area that was installed earlier this year.
- The sum insured for Sports Surfaces be increased to £2,000 to cover the senior football pitch (Clerk to liaise with Prestige Grounds to ascertain adequate sum insured)

11. Items to be placed on next Full Council agenda

- Arrangements for Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

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Chairman