West Tytherley, Frenchmoor & Buckholt Parish Council

Annual General Meeting held on Monday 9th May 2022 at King Edward's Hall, West Tytherley

Present: Fiona Collier – Chair (FC), Councillors John Camilleri (JC), Lucia Homer (LH), Debbie Hook (DH), Karen James (KJ) and Jennie Newell (JN).

Also: Neil Carpenter (Clerk/RFO) - (NC), Ian Jeffrey (TVBC Councillor) and four members of the public.

The meeting opened at 7.12 p.m.

56/22 Election of Chairperson

FC declared that she was prepared to stand for the position of chairperson for a maximum of one year. Proposed by KJ, seconded by LH. Carried unanimously.

57/22 Election of Vice-chairperson

FC nominated JC who declined due to commitments with his planning brief. FC then nominated JN, seconded by LH. Carried unanimously.

58/22 Apologies for absence

Received from Nick Adams-King (HCC Councillor).

Also absent Councillors Tim Koetser and Nigel MacPherson.

FC introduced Neil Carpenter, the new Parish Clerk.

At this point, FC asked TVBC Councillor Ian Jeffrey to speak (due to his limited me availability) – refer to item 64/22 below.

59/22 Open forum

60/22 Declarations of interest

None declared.

61/22 Consider approval of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Monday 11th April 2022 and any matters arising;

The minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 11th April 2022 were approved.

Consider approval of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on Monday 25th April 2022 and any matters arising

The minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 25th April 2022 were approved.

62/22 Statutory Obligations

i Annual Parish Council Insurance

The Parish Council's current insurer has declined to extend the insurance beyond the end of May 2022 following their decision to exit this segment of the insurance market. A quote has been sought from an alternative insurer – not received to date. NC to follow up.

ii Annual Fees and Subscriptions

It was unanimously agreed to continue membership subscription to the Hampshire Association of Local Councils (HALC), the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) and the Association of Local Councils (ALC).

iii Annual RoSPA Safety Inspection

Submitted. Payment outstanding, awaiting invoice.

iv Annual Internal Audit

Submitted, passed without adverse comment and returned. The committee expressed their thanks to Melanie Camilleri for her hard work and diligence in the preparation of the Parish Council's audit submission.

At this point PCSO Marie Stabbington joined the meeting.

FC asked PCSO Stabbington to give her report.

PCSO Stabbington reported on the reported crimes for West Tytherley and adjacent localities. There were 14 calls from the West Tytherley area during the past 3 months for a variety of crimes including abusive behaviour, possession of drugs, theft and poaching.

PCSO Stabbington urged everyone to report anything suspicious to the police, preferably online at www.hampshire.police.uk or by telephoning 101. There followed a discussion on recent crime and subsequent police action. PCSO Stabbington gave advice on taking measures to reduce opportunistic crime.

As the parish is on the border of Hampshire and Wiltshire either county may be used when asking for police assistance.

63/22 Governance

Standing Orders

No change.

Financial Regulations

No change.

Policy on Grants (S.137)

No change.

Councillor Register of Interests for HCC Monitoring Officer (Localism Act 2011)

No changes reported.

64/22 To receive a report from Councillor Ian Jeffrey (TVBC)

Cllr Jeffrey summarised key points from Mid Test Matters, edition 34, with reference to:

- attending the Resilience Meeting held at Chilbolton Village Hall. He thanked FC for her input;
- River clean up;
- Affordable housing and how it is delivered;
- Recycling;
- Sports facilities update;
- Domestic energy bills rebate;
- Fly tipping.

FC asked that TVBC produce printed copies of Mid Test Matters for members of the community who have difficulty in accessing online information.

65/22 Report Councillor Nick Adams-King (HCC)

No report received.

66/22 Planning and National Development Plan

22/01162/CLES - Anvil House, West Tytherley: JC explained the background leading to this application (to correct a historical inaccuracy). JC visited the applicant. Recommend "No Objection".

21/02538/FULLS - Dragonfly Ridge: this development of agricultural buildings on Frenchmoor Lane has been approved by TVBC despite objection from the Parish Council. JC suggested writing to TVBC Planning Department to express the Parish Council's disappointment with the decision.

FC asked a member of the public present, Alan Bannister (lead on the National Development Plan), to review progress of the NDP:

- The referendum result was in favour of adoption; any objection, or request for an appeal, must be made to The High Court within six weeks. Awaiting confirmation of no objection or request to appeal submitted.
- Erratum will be inserted in the front of the NDP document to draw attention to the annotated changes within.
- There was £500 of NDP funding remaining; Mr. Bannister proposed to print in the region of 25 copies of the NDP document at an estimated cost of £200. This was agreed unanimously. The Parish Council will decide what to do with the remaining monies.
- The NDP website is due for renewal so will need to be closed. Mr. Bannister undertook to archive it. The NDP document will be put onto the Parish Council website. FC wished to hold a small soirée in the Village Hall to thank Mr. Bannister for his work on the NDP.

67/22 Finance and cheques

Payments to be authorised

Cheque – to reimburse FC for defibrillator order (already paid for by FC personally).

Cheque – for an oak sapling to be planted on the recreation ground by Margaret Down.

Cheque – subscription to HALC and NALC.

Payments agreed unanimously.

VAT reclaim

Submitted to HMRC by Melanie Camilleri.

End of Year Accounts 2021/2022

Submitted to our auditors by Melanie Camilleri – awaiting their return.

NC suggested the Parish Council's bank account should allow payments via BACS (the current bank account does not facilitate BACS payments). Two signatories required, NC to investigate.

68/22 Councillor Reports

DH reported on a quote received from Cullens: £750 to restore the war memorial or alternatively £2,400 for a total refurbishment of the war memorial.

LH stated this was too expensive and to seek alternative quotes.

FC suggested appealing to the community to do this with the Parish Council funding the cost of materials.

Richard Hook volunteered to cut the war memorial grass – FC agreed.

It was noted that there were rare orchids (Pugsley) within the war memorial borders.

DH has contacted Youth Romsey, but they only accept referrals from schools.

JN will determine who is running the Winterslow youth club.

The Winterslow Cubs will be visiting the Village Hall tomorrow (10th May) and FC will give them a historic tour of the village. This may be extended to other groups.

The Toilet-Twinning GoFundMe page has been uploaded and is available for donations.

JC - Nothing to report.

LH – Dean Road drainage and grips are to be cleared more often. Alternative works would be more expensive.

The correct naming of The Warren, as opposed to Warren Court Road, remains unresolved.

KJ – Nothing to report.

FC – The planned meeting about Footpath No.3 has been postponed due to family difficulties.

Cllr. Nick Adams-King has suggested mediation, however neither party wished to mediate therefore the current situation is at stalemate.

69/22 Correspondence

FC has received a letter from a member of the public concerning the allocation of housing in the village.

70/22 Any other urgent business

Nil.

71/22 Date of next meeting

Monday 13th June at 7pm at King Edward's Hall.

Being no further business FC closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Draft minutes to be signed at the next Parish Council meeting