



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Broseley Town Council
held at 7.00 pm on Tuesday, 9th January 2018
at the Birchmeadow Centre, Broseley

Standard abbreviations used throughout: Shropshire Council – SC
Birchmeadow Centre – BMC
Birchmeadow Centre Management Committee – BCMC
Shropshire Association of Local Councils - SALC

265. PRESENT

Councillors Burton, Childs, L Garbett, Mark Garbett, Goodall, Harris, Maltby, Singh-Mohr, Taylor, West.

266. IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Barrett – Town Clerk
Several members of the public, Shropshire Councillor D Turner.

267. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. Mr T Hindley raised concerns about Broseley Medical Practice including the uncertainty amongst residents about the management structure, staffing and the difficulty in obtaining appointments. It was noted that the next Patient Participation Group meeting would be held on 23rd January. Councillors agreed to put consideration of concerns about the Medical Practice on the agenda of the next full Council meeting.
- b. Mr D Bould expressed his disappointment that he had not received a reply to his letter to the Council dated 7.11.2017.

268. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors accepted the following apology: Councillor Michael Garbett – unwell.

269. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Agenda item	Subject	Type of interest	Reason	Minute no.
Harris	14	Highways	Bias	Shropshire Councillor Shropshire Councillor - Member of Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee	280
	16	NHS Consultation	"		282

270. MAYOR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor referred to problems caused by the snow before Christmas. He had recently walked with the local Ramblers group and noted that the footpaths in Telford were maintained less well than those in Shropshire.

271. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12TH DECEMBER 2017

RESOLVED to defer consideration of this item to the end of the meeting.

272. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12TH DECEMBER 2017.

RESOLVED to defer consideration of this item to the end of the meeting.

273. SAFEGUARDING OF PERSONAL DATA

- a. Councillors noted a report from Councillor West on proposed revisions to policies and procedures to safeguard personal data.
- b. **RESOLVED to incorporate the revisions suggested into Standing Orders.**

274. DRAFT PROTOCOL ON COUNCILLOR / CLERK RELATIONS

Councillors considered the draft protocol on Councillor / Clerk Relations. **RESOLVED to refer the protocol to the Staffing Committee for consideration.**

275. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED to approve for payment the schedule of accounts.

276. BANK RECONCILIATION

Councillors reviewed and **RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation as at 30th November 2017.**

277. BUDGET 2018/19

- a. Councillors reviewed the revised draft of the budget which provided for a 2.43% increase for a Band D property.
- b. **RESOLVED to approve the draft budget for 2018/19 and the precept request of £214,784.00 to Shropshire Council.**

278. PLANNING COMMITTEE

- a. Councillors noted the draft minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 14th December 2017.
- b. Councillors noted a report from the Planning Committee. Councillors Harris and West and Shropshire Councillor Turner had spoken against the planning application for Gestiana at the recent SC Planning Committee meeting and the application had been refused. Neighbouring residents had expressed thanks to the Town Council.

279. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

- a. Councillors noted a report from the Steering Group. Confirmation was awaited from Barrow Parish Council on whether they would like Barrow Parish to be part of the Plan. The Steering Group was planning a public meeting for 26th January.
- b. **RESOLVED to authorise expenditure from this year's Town Plan consultation budget to fund a public meeting about the Neighbourhood Plan and the distribution of letters to all households.**
RESOLVED to delegate decision making for spending this money to the five Councillors on the Steering Group: Councillors Burton, Goodall, Harris, Maltby and West.
It was noted that arrangements for authorising expenditure from future funds would need to be clarified.

280. HIGHWAYS

Councillors noted a report on Highways matters:

- The SC Highways portfolio holder had visited the town before Christmas.
- The Bridgnorth Road traffic calming scheme was on schedule.
- The contractor, Ringway, was being pressed to complete satisfactorily the project in Dark Lane, outside the school.
- It was noted that the disabled parking markings in the High Street had still not been repainted and Councillor Harris agreed to pursue this.
- It was noted that the new "Keep Clear" road markings in Duke Street had been paid for by a resident.

281. POLICE MATTERS

- a. Councillors noted correspondence received from the Assistant Chief Constable for West Mercia Police, the Safer Neighbourhoods Inspector for South Shropshire Policing Area and the Police and Crime Commissioner in response to the Council's letters concerning the level of policing in Broseley. Councillors were pleased to note that PC Jane Cowan had returned to local policing duties in the town.
- b. Councillors noted that the Police and Crime Commissioner was consulting on proposals for the police budget 2018/19. Councillors agreed that if the police budget were to be increased by 4% they would want value for money; over the last few years costs had increased but the service had reduced. They sought assurance that greater funding would lead to an improved service.

282. NHS CONSULTATION ON HOSPITAL SERVICES IN SHROPSHIRE

Councillors considered correspondence from Councillor Andrew Eade of Telford & Wrekin Council regarding NHS consultation on hospital services in Shropshire. Councillors did not feel well informed enough to comment and **RESOLVED not to respond.**

283. BUCKINGHAM PALACE GARDEN PARTY

Councillors noted that SALC had been invited to recommend two Mayors to attend the Buckingham Palace Garden Party on 5th June. **RESOLVED to nominate Councillor Harris to attend.**

284. CORRESPONDENCE

Councillors noted the following correspondence:

- a. Note from Broseley Bridleways Association regarding 20mph speed limit proposal. Councillors noted that Prof. Whitelegg, who was mentioned in the newspaper report, would be attending a conference organised by SALC. The outcome of discussions at county level was awaited.
- b. Thank you letter from Broseley Joggers for the Town Council grant.

285. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that by the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded for the following items of business, on the grounds they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Acts:

5. **Minutes of the meeting held on 12th December 2017**
6. **Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 12th December 2017.**

286. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12TH DECEMBER 2017

Councillors advised the Clerk of decisions taken at the meeting following her departure so that the minutes could be completed.

287. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12TH DECEMBER. RESOLVED to defer consideration of this item pending approval of the amended minutes at the February full Council meeting.

Chairman