

## **Minutes of the Council Meeting**

### Monday 14th September 2020 at 7.00pm

### Held virtually due to coronavirus restrictions

#### **Present**

Councillors: S. Hand (Chair), J. Dajka, T. Dann, S. Hayward, S. Schofield, A. Thompson, and I. Underdown

Cllrs Cohen (Vice Chair) and Rolfe joined the meeting part way through the public session.

Officers: The Clerk & Deputy Clerk

The minute reference for each item is 14092020 + the agenda item number

#### 1 Welcome

## 1a Apologies for absence

Councillors: J Nesbitt-Bell and M Cross

# 1b Declarations of interest and approved dispensations

No interests were declared.

# 1c To approve the minutes of previous meetings

**IT WAS RESOLVED TO** approve the Minutes of 11th August 2020 as a true record of the meeting. The Minutes will be signed by the Chair at a later date.

#### 2 Public Session

Two members of the public were present. One wished to speak about vandalism issues at the allotments suggesting the pathway is closed and members of the public are directed to use the formal rail trail path instead. The other member of the public had applied to fill the councillor vacancy by co-option.

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# 3 Co-option for filling the vacancy



The Clerk gave an update on the recent changes to the application process for prospective members.

The Council had received an application from Michelle Nicholson to fill the vacancy by co-option.

A copy of the application form had been circulated in the agenda pack and several Councillors asked Michelle questions.

IT WAS RESOLVED to co-opt Michelle Nicholson to serve on to the Council to serve until the elections scheduled for May 2021.

#### 4 Anti-social Behaviour Review

There have been various issues this year and the pontoon at the Foreshore has again been the main focus of anti-social and dangerous behaviour such as swimming in the prohibited zone, jumping into the water and diving at the Foreshore. The Clerk asked how the Council wished to address the issues:

Cllr Dajka - A community meeting might be helpful.

Cllr Underdown agreed with the proposal to hold a public meeting but with the involvement of the Borough Councillors and the Harbour Master.

Cllr Cohen - The problems need to be clearly identified and consideration given to designing out issues but equally unintended consequences of any actions must be explored. e.g. if the car park is closed at night how might this affect the local businesses?

Cllr Schofield - Antisocial behaviour has been dreadful this year but everyone must recognise this isn't just an issue Hamble is facing in isolation. There have been problems across the country. As weather gets colder the issues may move to the Roy Underdown Pavilion. It would be helpful if some of the residents would look at setting up a Neighbourhood Watch Group like the SO19 Group however, perhaps the success of this particular group displaced issues to other areas.

The Clerk reported that recently a large group of young people in cars have been frequenting the car park at College Playing Fields. Youths have been climbing over the fence to access the tennis court to play football and not observing any social distancing.

The Clerk was asked to:

- draft a letter to the Harbour Board regarding the dangers posed by the pontoon.
- Look at working in partnership with other agencies to explore the implementation of a PSPO for next summer.

## 5 Newsletter Advertising

**IT WAS RESOLVED** To approve the advertising fees set out in the appendix to the report including and the shape and form that advertising will take in future newsletters.

# 6 Telephone Box





There have been some informal approaches from members of the community to paint or be involved in upkeep of the telephone box but no-one who is prepared to convert for a community use.

Cllr Hayward suggested the Council goes back to the community with a specified use or project and ask for volunteers or a community group to take it forward.

### 7 Coronavirus and business continuity

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt all the recommendations:

The parish office to be staffed each weekday to ensure the efficient operation of council business.

Arrangements for members of the public needing to access services should be widely publicised, promoting the use of telephone and email as the preferred method, but with the arrangements set out for face to face appointments where necessary.

That Committees should undertake an urgent review of their priorities for the next six months so that a programme of work can be agreed with the Clerk and the staff team. If possible, the temporary member of staff should be retained and should support the Clerk in addressing the priorities agreed by Committees and the Council.

Appoint a consultant to work with the Personnel Committee to undertake a survey of staff and members which will report back to the November meeting. The costs will be confirmed at the October meeting.

# 8 Covid-19 Health and Safety Policy

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the draft Covid-19 Health and Safety Policy

# 9 Financial Reports

a. Reconciliations from May, June, July and August:

#### **Current Account:**

May	Income £1,536.07	Expenditure £30,836.28	End of month balance £160,302.92
June	Income £5,544.32	Expenditure £28,725.97	End of month balance £107,821.06
July	Income £10,090.69	Expenditure £32,045.15	End of month balance £85,866.60
August	Income £12,408.03	Expenditure £29,291.45	End of month balance £68,983.18

Petty cash - There's been no spend and the balance remains at £10.75.

Reserve Account – Interest of £76.13 was credited on 8th June 2020. The current balance is £141,845.25.

b. Payments - The list of payments for approval was circulated by email to all Councillors before the meeting.



- C. Income Shortfall The report was not available for the meeting but will be circulated shortly.
- d. Earmarked Reserves There are some queries to be resolved and this will be brought back to the Council at its next meeting.
- e. There are no delegated decisions for the Council to consider

IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the reconciliations detailed in a. and b. the payments list circulated prior to the meeting. The Income Shortfall report will follow at a later date and some queries on the earmarked reserves will be resolved and brought back to the next Council meeting.

## 10 Accessibility Regulations

The Council noted progress with the work, what remains outstanding and the process for completing the work.

The Clerk was asked to make further enquiries and report at the October meeting on the specific requirements regarding compliance of retrospective documents.

## **Exempt Business**

IT WAS RESOLVED that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of the following item(s) of business on the grounds that it is/they are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act. The Schedule 12A categories have been amended and are now subject to the public interest test, in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This came into effect on 1st March 2006.

It is considered that the following items are exempt from disclosure and that the public interest in not disclosing the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

11 Recommendations from Asset Management Committee Hamble Aerospace Ltd (HAL formerly GE Aviation) Planning Application.

The Clerk gave and update on the proposed Heads of Terms for the playing pitch mitigation. HAL has not responded to the Clerk's last email so the Heads of Terms have not been agreed or signed.

The proposed additional package of works and improvements for the Roy Underdown Pavilion has not been agreed. HAL did come back with a lower counter offer but this has not been accepted by the AMC.

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IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the recommendations.

The meeting closed at 20:46