



Minutes of the 'Virtual' Meeting of
BROUGHTON AND BRETTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
held on
20 APRIL 2021

PRESENT: Councillor Ryan McKeown (Chairman)

Councillors: Klaus Armstrong-Braun, Penny Brett-Roberts, Chrissy Gee, Ros Griffiths, Donna Lalek, Mike Lowe, Billy Mullin, Sue Stevens, Linda Thomas and Adam Williams.

Officers: Mrs S G Jones, Clerk & Financial Officer
Fran Griffiths, Administrator

109/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were received from Councillors Derek Butler, Lindsay Jones and Adam Lee.

110/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

111/20 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 16th March 2021 be approved as a correct record.

112/20 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

In relation to item 103/20 Councillor Ryan McKeown confirmed that he would deliver the sanitizer to the War Memorial Institute during the week.

113/20 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

The Clerk and Financial Officer advised that BB/20/64 on the March list should read £3,620.26.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the updated list of payments in the sum of £23,987.56 for April be approved.

114/20 BANK RECONCILIATION:

IT WAS RESOLVED: to receive the bank reconciliation for the period ending 28th March 2021.

115/20 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

IT WAS RESOLVED:

(a) County Council Members:

It was noted that the participation of those Councillors who were also Members of the County Council, in both the debate and subsequent vote, was on the basis that the views expressed were preliminary views taking account of the information made available to the Community Council.

The County Councillors reserved their final views on the applications until they were in full possession of all relevant arguments for and against.

- (b) That the County Planning Authority be advised of this Council's observations on the applications submitted to it for consideration, *as per the attached schedule*.
- (c) There were no planning appeals.
- (d) That the planning decisions be noted.

116/20 POLICE/HIGHWAYS AND LIGHTING MATTERS:

Members raised the following issues:

- LED heads on pedestrian crossing near the Co-op on Main Road had faded. Advised that a new traffic light control system is being planned by Anthony Stafford, Flintshire County Council with money provided by Active Travel to make the area safer.
- Police in attendance near Country Park this evening – no information regarding an incident had been available.
- Fencing at Brookes Avenue had been vandalised and flattened – North Wales Police had been asked to review CCTV footage.

- A boxing club is using Brookes Avenue for exercise classes which had not been authorised by the Community Council – Councillor Ryan McKeown to make enquiries and explain conditions of usage.
- Stephen O. Jones would retire from the County Council later this year – a letter had already been sent to Mr Jones on behalf of the Community Council to wish him a long, happy and healthy retirement

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the updates.

117/20 CLERK AND FINANCIAL OFFICER’S REPORT:

The Clerk and Financial Officer advised that

- i) the cost to the council for the joint maintenance agreement for April amounted to £7,536.01
- ii) the War Memorial Institute would contribute £30 towards the cost of a new dishwasher.

Councillor Chrissy Gee confirmed that Health and Safety and Food Hygiene certificates are held by staff, however, the Institute, does not have a Food Hygiene Rating. Councillor Ryan McKeown agreed to assist the committee to obtain one.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to receive and approve the updates and award the grants to the War Memorial Institute in due course.

118/20 COUNTY MEMBERS INFORMATION ITEMS:

Councillor Billy Mullin confirmed that he was in communication with Ruairi Barry, Flintshire County Council regarding the flooding in Bretton, along with National Resources Wales and Dwr Cymru. They would be invited to attend a future meeting of the Community Council to update members on a range of issues to be addressed and the responsibilities held by local farm landowners. Residents would be invited if necessary.

119/20 MEMBERS’ ITEMS:

Councillors Derek Butler, Mike Lowe and Billy Mullin had been due to meet with Helen Swift, the new Public Affairs Wales Officer at Airbus, however due to the recent ill health of Councillor Butler, it had been deferred to a future date. She would subsequently be invited to attend a meeting of the Community Council.

120/20 CHAIRMAN’S REMARKS:

Councillor Ryan McKeown said that he had received an invitation to attend a meeting with Broughton Super Saints and that he would be attending a joint conference with the Society of Local Community Councils and One Voice Wales on the 15th May and would report back to Members accordingly.