

Minutes of the Meeting of
BROUGHTON AND BRETTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
held on
20 MARCH 2018

PRESENT: Councillor Derek Butler (Chair)

Councillors: Klaus Armstrong-Braun, Chrissy Gee, Ros Griffiths, Phil Griffiths, Donna Lalek, Mike Lowe, Ryan McKeown, Billy Mullin and Sue Stevens

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

301/17 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR:

Councillor Derek Butler read out a letter of resignation that had been received from the Chairman of the Council, Councillor Keith Rogers, following a discussion that had taken place at the previous meeting. (Minute number 273/17 refers).

Councillor Derek Butler said that he was very sad to learn of the resignation as Councillor Keith Rogers had been a very valued Member of the Community Council, a good Chairman and a great voice for Bretton. Councillor Butler said that he had not been entirely sure of the actual reason for the resignation based on the contents of the letter and asked Members of the Council if a letter could be sent to Keith to ask him to reconsider his position.

Other Members of the Council unanimously supported the proposal with members citing Keith as "a great advocate for Bretton", "a man of principle", "a good man who worked tirelessly for Bretton" "the eyes and ears of Bretton, a God send to the Community and a very valued member of the Council".

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Clerk writes to Keith Rogers to request that he reconsiders his decision to resign from the Council.

302/17 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR:

In accordance with minute number 301/17 above this item was deferred.

303/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Lindsay Jones, Beth McFadden and Penny Brett Roberts.

304/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were none.

85 Chair's signature: _____

305/17 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20th February 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

306/17 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

There were none.

307/17 MINUTES OF COMMITTEES:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meetings of the following Committees held on 20th February 2018 be received:

Planning & General Purposes Committee
Lighting & Amenities Committee
Finance & Staffing Committee

308/17 INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL FOR WALES – FINAL ANNUAL REPORT 2018/19:

The Clerk guided Members through the report and explained that the Remuneration Panel had categorised Community Councils into three groups based on their total income or expenditure. Broughton and Bretton Community Council had been classed as a category B Council.

The Panel had also agreed that a mandatory payment of £150 should be payable to Members to reflect minimum expenses and this would be effective from May 2018. The Council's previously approved budget would need to be amended to include an amount of £2,100 to reflect this. Most Members commented that they did not wish to receive this payment and would prefer it to be spent on the community. The Clerk advised that as this had been a mandatory payment then provision within the budget would need to be included. However, if individual Members wished to waive this payment they could do so in writing direct to the Clerk.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to note the update.

309/17 CHAIR'S REMARKS:

There were none.