

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of
BROUGHTON AND BRETTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL
held on
15 OCTOBER 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Phil Griffiths (Chair)

Councillors: Klaus Armstrong-Braun, Penny Brett-Roberts, Derek Butler, Ros Griffiths, Lindsay Jones, Donna Lalek, Mike Lowe, Ryan McKeown, Billy Mullin, Sue Stevens and Linda Thomas.

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

160/19 ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Councillor Phil Griffiths requested Members to observe a one-minute silence in respect for Keith Rogers, formerly a Councillor and past Chairman of Broughton and Bretton Community Council, who had sadly passed away recently. Members had been shocked and saddened to hear this news and requested that a letter be sent to the family.

The Chairman advised that, for personal reasons, Councillor Beth McFadden had resigned from the Community Council with immediate effect. A notice would duly be completed and displayed on the Council's website and the Community Notice Boards advertising this vacancy and Members requested that a letter be sent to Beth acknowledging her past service.

161/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

An apology for absence had been received from Councillor Chrissy Gee.

162/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were none.

163/19 PRESENTATION FROM AIRBUS:

Phil McGraa, Community Relations Manager and Mathew Ierston, Aerodrome Security Manager had been welcomed to the meeting.

Mathew outlined that he had been working on a Drone project which had included reference to the new laws and regulatory changes introduced by the Government in response to the drone incident that had taken place at Gatwick airport in December 2018. The incident had been taken very seriously with a significant loss of revenue to the industry.

The project had been established to manage the use of drones, identify how they could be flown safely and to highlight vulnerable areas, such as Broughton Country Park. He advised that in partnership with Flintshire County Council, signs would be erected within the community to raise awareness of the safe use of drones. Posters would also be displayed on various social media sites and visits to local schools and neighbouring Community Council would be undertaken.

Phil McGraa thanked Matt and extended an invitation to members of the Community Council to attend the factory in Broughton on Monday 28th October which had been welcomed by Members.

The Chairman thanked Phil and Matt for their informative presentation and kind invitation.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to receive this information and accept the invitation.

164/19 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 17th September 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

165/19 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

There were none.

166/19 MINUTES OF COMMITTEES:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meetings of the following Committees held on 17th September 2019 be received:

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

167/19 AUDIT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019:

The Clerk and Financial Officer had circulated a copy of the Annual Return following completion by the Council's External Auditor and sought Member approval and acceptance of the Annual Return. A copy of the Issues Report had also been circulated.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to approve and accept the annual report and implement the actions outlined in the action plan, noting that Terms of Reference had been formally adopted by the Community Council at its meeting in September.

168/19 CHAIR'S REMARKS:

The Chair had not attended any recent events as he had been not long returned from his holidays.