



# Broseley Town Council

The Library Building, Bridgnorth Road, Broseley, Shropshire TF12 5EL

Minutes of the Broseley Town Council Meeting held on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019** commencing at **19:00 hours** in the Birchmeadow Centre, Broseley TF12 5LP.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Burton (Mayor), Harris, Mark Garbett, Michael Garbett, Maltby and Singh-Mohr.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Andrea Williams (Responsible Finance Officer/Assistant Clerk), Councillor David Turner and 10 members of the public.

**121. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor Childs and L Garbett.

**122. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Ian Pickles the representative from the Birchmeadow Park Management Committee thanked the Council for the grant received and updated the meeting on the process of the pathway.

Kevin Blenkiron thanked the Councillors for the work they do as volunteers. He went on to discuss the repair situation for the Coalport Road and his concerns that work promised had not been done and questions that he had given the Council had not been answered. The Mayor responded that he would request Shropshire Council to come to the next meeting.

**123. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none which had not been previously recorded.

**124. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

There were none which had not been previously recorded.

**125. MAYOR & DEPUTY MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor informed the meeting he had attended remembrance services at the British Legion, Willey Estate and Oakengates. He had also attended the memorial for the Jackfield Ferry disaster.

**126. MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

Council **APPROVED** the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

**127. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

**128. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

Councillors **RESOLVED** to defer the deputy mayor until after the election of new Councillors.

**129. APPOINTMENTS OF OUTSIDE BODIES**

(a) Councillors **RESOLVED** to appoint Councillor Michael Burton and Ann Maltby to the Birchmeadow Centre Management Committee

Councillors **RESOLVED** to defer appointments to other outside bodies in points b to e until after the election of new Councillors.

**130. CLERK'S REPORT**

Council **NOTED** the Clerks update from the RFO/Assistant Clerk in the Clerk's absence, on projects and correspondence:

(a) An update had been received from the Haycop group regarding the loan from the Council and that the loan would be repaid in January once final funds had been received.

(b) The RFO read out the Boundary Change Letter from Councillor Shaun Davis from Telford & Wrekin.

(c) Ironbridge Gorge Walking Festival thanked the Council for their grant.

- (d) An update had been received from the Friends of the Red Church.
- (e) An email had been received requesting a breakdown of CIL funds spent by the Council. The RFO would respond.
- (f) It had been noted the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting had been missed of the Agenda. The RFO confirmed these would be added to the next months' Agenda.
- (g) The Broads had requested the Annual Meeting booked for the 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020 be moved to accommodate the Broads Spring. The Council agreed to change the date and look at alternative dates.
- (h) A bus consultation letter had been received and it would be put on the Council website and Notice boards and comments could be fed back to the Passenger Transport Commissioning Group by 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019.
- (i) Councillors had received an invite to a Cultural Strategy Workshop.

### 131. FINANCES

- a) **Accounts Paid Statement** – Council **APPROVED** the accounts paid statement for November 2019, as presented at the meeting to the value of £41,410.04. Councillor Roy Childs had previously agreed and Councillor Michael Burton agreed to sign cheques on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November at the Council Offices.
- (b) **BTC Bank Reconciliation** – Council **APPROVED** the BTC bank reconciliation as at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019.
- (c) **MUGA Bank Reconciliation** – Council **APPROVED** the MUGA bank reconciliation as at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019.
- (d) **Quarterly Budget Review** – deferred to the next meeting.
- (e) **Investment Account** – Council **APPROVED** to invest £100,000 with the Co-operative bank for another year.
- (f) Reserve Narrative – Council **APPROVED** to the narrative change on the Council Reserves for the MUGA Surface Reserve.

### 132. COMMITTEE & ADVISORY GROUPS

- (a) Councillors **APPROVED** the minutes of the following meetings and ratified any decisions/recommendations reached.
- (b) There were no matters arising.
- (c) Estates Committee – Councillors **APPROVED** to delegate the purchase of a new Cemetery Van to Councillors Michael Burton and Mark Garbett and for the spend to be no more than the allocated replacement vehicle reserve.
- (d) Councillor Mark Garbett gave an update from the Planning Committee Meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019.
- (f) There was no update from the Neighbourhood plan and the meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019 had been cancelled.
- (g) There was no update on Highways.

### 133. RECORDING MEETINGS - PROGRESS REPORT

Councillor Singh-Mohr gave an update on the status of recording future meetings.

### 134. TOURISM

Councillor Singh-Mohr gave an update on the CCTV working group. Councillor Mark Garbett suggested a working group be set up with members of the public. Councillor Singh-Mohr agreed that a public meeting would be held next April. Councillor Harris also suggested that the Council look at rebranding Broseley to increase tourism.

### 135. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Councillors confirmed the next Town Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 to commence at 7:00pm at the in the Birchmeadow Centre, Broseley TF12 5LP.

Meeting closed at 7.39pm.

**136. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Council **RESOLVED** that there were two items to be considered which required the consideration of exempt information "That, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during the discussion of the matters referred to in the items listed below, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in the respective paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information".

**137. CEMETERY CORRESPONDANCE** – The RFO gave a confidential report on a Cemetery Matter.

**138. STAFFING COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Councillor Singh-Mohr gave a confidential report on Staffing Matters.

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**APPROVED BY THE MAYOR (CHAIR):**

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**DATE:**

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