



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Broseley Town Council
held at 7.00 pm on Tuesday, 8th August 2017
at the Birchmeadow Centre, Broseley

Standard abbreviations used throughout: Shropshire Council – SC
Birchmeadow Centre – BMC
Birchmeadow Centre Management Committee – BCMC
Shropshire Association of Local Councils - SALC

112. PRESENT

Councillors Childs, L Garbett, M A Garbett, M C Garbett, Harris, Maltby, Taylor.

113. IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs T Barrett – Town Clerk
Shropshire Councillor D Turner, Mr D Bould, Mr J Williams.

114. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. Mr Bould referred to copies of the precept going back to 2007/8 and the information contained therein. He asked who paid for the Town Council's office and was informed that the Council did. Mr Bould asked why he had been told that he should not come into the Council office when he had delivered a letter on 26th June. Mr Bould was asked to put his concerns in writing to the Council.
- b. Mr J Williams referred to the Festival of Motorcycling event which had taken place in Broseley the previous weekend. The event had been very enjoyable and it had been a great day for the town.

115. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors accepted the following apologies:
Councillors Burton and Goodall – holiday, Councillor West – prior engagement.

116. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Agenda item	Subject	Type of interest	Reason	Minute no.
Childs	15	BMC Toilet Refurbishment	Pecuniary	Employee	128
	16	BMC Changing Room Extension			129

117. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor had been involved with the motorcycle event at the weekend, which had been a great success. He had also attended a fund raising event for the Christmas Lights Committee, which had raised £200.

118. BY-ELECTION

- a. Councillors noted that the Notice of Election had been displayed and that, if the election was contested, a by-election would be held on Thursday, 7th September.
- b. Councillors noted the estimated costs for the by-election and **RESOLVED to request poll cards for the by-election.**

119. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11TH JULY 2017

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 11th July 2017 as a true record of the proceedings.

120. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11TH JULY 2017

None.

121. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27TH JULY 2017

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27th July 2017 as a true record of the proceedings.

- 122. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27TH JULY 2017**
None.
- 123. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**
RESOLVED to approve for payment the schedule of accounts.
- 124. BANK RECONCILIATION**
Councillors reviewed and **RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation as at 31st May 2017.**
- 125. PLANNING COMMITTEE**
- a. Councillors noted the draft minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 27th July 2017.
 - b. Councillors noted a report from the Planning Committee. A very useful meeting had been held with SC Community Enablement Officers, K Rogers and N Fisher, to discuss the Community Infrastructure Levy and Place Plans.
- 126. ESTATE COMMITTEE**
- a. Councillors noted the draft minutes of the Estate Committee meeting held on 18th July 2017.
 - b. Councillors noted a report from the Estate Committee. Solar panels had now been fitted to the roof of the BMC and were already generating energy.
- 127. MULTI-USE GAMES AREA**
- a. **RESOLVED to change the Council representatives appointed to the MUGA Committee and to appoint Councillor M A Garbett in place of Councillors L Garbett and Maltby.**
 - b. **RESOLVED to invite a representative of the MUGA Committee to regularly attend Estate Committee meetings to provide a report and improve liaison.**

Having declared a pecuniary interest in the following item, Councillor Childs left the meeting.

- 128. BIRCHMEADOW CENTRE TOILET REFURBISHMENT**
Councillors noted that the refurbishment of the upstairs toilets at the BMC had been completed. Councillors recorded their thanks to the contractor, Shaun Colley, for the way the work had been carried out and the excellent result.
- 129. BIRCHMEADOW CENTRE CHANGING ROOM EXTENSION**
Councillors noted a summary report on the Birchmeadow Centre Changing Room extension, which was completed in 2011.

Councillor Childs returned to the meeting.

- 130. DARK LANE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT**
Councillors noted that work had commenced on the new parking bays opposite Broseley CofE Primary School in Dark Lane and that this involved a temporary road closure. Taylor Wimpey had failed to stockpile sufficient materials in advance and marshalls were being provided to bring lorries through the roadworks along the closed road, to avoid the High Street.
- 131. HIGHWAYS**
- a. Councillors noted the closure of Avenue Road from 23.08.17 to 25.08.17, between 8.00am and 5.30pm for resurfacing, drainage works and the removal of the pinch point.
 - b. Councillors noted that funding, which had been allocated to traffic calming measures for Bridgnorth Road and to the HGV management scheme in conjunction with Much Wenlock, had been re-allocated to roadworks in Shifnal to deal with coaches mounting the kerbs outside Idsall School. It was not clear when or whether the planned works for Broseley and Much Wenlock would now be carried out. **RESOLVED to write to SC expressing the Council's concern and disappointment at this situation.**
 - c. Councillors noted a report on highways matters: Cobwell Road had been resurfaced.

SC and T&W were looking into options for the Calcutts Road traffic lights, which included removal, however, no decision had been taken yet.

132. SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL PARKING STRATEGY CONSULTATION

- a. Councillors noted that a 12 week consultation into Shropshire Council's proposed new parking strategy had begun on 21st July and would run until 17th October 2017.
- b. Councillors noted that no parking charges were proposed for the Broseley car parks.
RESOLVED to make no response to the consultation.

133. CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

RESOLVED to defer consideration of nominations for the 2017 Citizen of the Year Award to the September meeting due to the absence of several Councillors.

134. YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

RESOLVED to defer consideration of nominations for the 2017 Young Citizen of the Year Award to the September meeting due to the absence of several Councillors.

135. WEST MERCIA FIRE SERVICE CONSULTATION

Councillors L Garbett and Maltby gave a report from the meeting they attended about proposals for changes in the governance arrangements for the Fire Services in West Mercia. Councillors felt that the Police and Crime Commissioner should concentrate on his responsibilities with regard to the Police Service and not seek to become involved in the Fire Service. **RESOLVED to write in support of the Fire Service and against the proposals for changes to the current governance arrangements.**

136. SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL CONSULTATION ON LIBRARY SERVICES STRATEGY

- a. Councillors noted Shropshire Council consultation on its Library Services Strategy, which would run until 6th October 2017.
- b. **RESOLVED to defer consideration of this item to the September meeting.**

137. SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL'S ECONOMIC GROWTH STRATEGY

Councillors noted that the new Economic Growth Strategy was approved on 12th July and could be viewed on the SC website.

138. CONFERENCE: HOW CAN A GENERAL 20MPH SPEED LIMIT ASSIST YOUR COUNCIL IN ACHIEVING ITS OBJECTIVES?

Councillors noted the invitation to attend the above free conference at Theatre Severn in Shrewsbury on Saturday, 30th September and agreed to suggest that Councillor Goodall attend.

139. CORRESPONDENCE

Councillors noted the following correspondence and agreed the action recorded:

- a. Thank you letter from Crucial Crew for grant awarded.
- b. Letter of complaint from Ms J Havell. Councillors considered the correspondence and agreed a response.

140. STAFFING COMMITTEE

Councillors noted the draft minutes of the Staffing Committee meeting held on 27th June 2017.

141. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that by the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded for the following items of business, on the grounds they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Acts: 29. Personnel matters

142. PERSONNEL MATTERS

Councillors noted that the closing date had now passed for applications for the vacancy for a new RFO/Assistant Town Clerk. A staffing committee meeting would be held on 15th August to consider the applications and determine the interview arrangements.