



## MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2023

### Those present :

Chair : Cllr S Clough

Vice-Chair : Cllr K Wood

Councillors : Cllr C Curzon, Cllr D Drabble, Cllr C Eggington, Cllr C M Fletcher, Cllr T Lacey, Cllr C Lacey, Cllr H Laws, Cllr B Rice, Cllr J Sherman, Cllr W Tinley, Cllr J Windle

Officers : Mrs G Blank, Mrs J France

### 22/309 Chair's Announcements

On behalf of the Parish Council the Chair congratulated Millie Bright and the England football team for their fantastic performance in getting to the final of the Women's World Cup 2023.

### 22/310 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr B Morris and Cllr S Reed and the reasons given were accepted.

### 22/311 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary & Other Interests

a. To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI) and personal and prejudicial interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 (section 30 to 33). Officers are required to make a formal declaration about council contracts where the employee has a financial interest in accordance with the LGA 1972, s117.

Cllr K Wood declared an interest in Item 12c on the agenda.

b. To receive, consider and record Members requests for DPI dispensation (section 31 Localism Act 2011) in connection with items on this agenda. Applications for this must be made in writing to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

None received.

### 22/312 Adjournment for Public Participation

- To adjourn the meeting for 15 minutes to allow members of the public, 3 minutes each, to make representation on the business of the agenda for the meeting. No resolutions can be made under public participation.

No members of the public who were present had any comments or questions.

### 22/313 Reports from County and District Councillors & Invited Guests

Two representatives from Derbyshire Police Constabulary were present and gave an update on crime figures within Killamarsh and said that two areas of high priority at the moment are burglary and anti-social behaviour. Councillors raised concerns about illegal parking on Bridge Street and asked for clarification about what is a police matter and what is a matter for civil enforcement officers. Generally obstructions are a police matter, e.g. Parking on the pavement, whereas the enforcement of yellow lines are for the civil enforcement officers. Cllr Rice suggested that the installation of bollards may be a parking deterrent. Cllr C Lacey and Cllr T Lacey mentioned obstructive parking of police vehicles around the Delves Road area, and the police representative said that this is something he is trying to address. Cllr Laws highlighted the one way street in

Killamarsh that ideally needs more signage.

**22/314 Exclusion of the Press and Public - Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings Act) 1960**

- To consider and resolve any agenda items that require the exclusion of the Press and Public in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 for matters appertaining to confidential or exempt information.

There were no items that required the exclusion of the press and public.

**22/315 Minutes from the previous meeting**

a. To approve the draft minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 24th July 2023.

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 24th July 2023 are a true and accurate record.**

b. To receive an update on an ongoing issues not covered as an agenda item.

The Clerk gave the following updates:

22/303 - No further progress as yet on the Heritage society having some space in the Community Hub.

22/304b - The office is waiting on the results of a grant application for the installation of CCTV.

22/304d - No response has been received from DCC after informing them that the Parish Council would no longer be undertaking grass cutting at Pingle. The office have recently received a complaint from a resident over the state of the grass at Pingle.

22/304e - The office is still awaiting confirmation via the schedule of agreement from Mark Hewitt with regards to a skip and any damage that may be caused in the course of work carried out by his operatives at the cemetery.

22/307 - In response to the request by Cllr C Lacey a weekly schedule is now sent out to inform Cllrs when staff are in the office.

**22/316 Environment & Climate Change Committee**

a. To receive the draft minutes of the meeting held on the 6th September 2023

The draft minutes of the meeting of the Environment & Climate Change Meeting on 6th September were received.

b. To consider and approve the repairs to the vandalised play equipment at Norwood.

**RESOLVED: That the repairs to the vandalised play equipment at Norwood at a cost of £1172.97 + VAT are approved.**

c. To consider and approve the installation of a drop kerb to the entrance at Norwood play area.

**RESOLVED: That the installation of a dropped kerb to the entrance of Norwood play area is approved at a cost of £1500.**

**22/317 Events & Communications Committee**

- To receive the draft minutes of the meeting held on the 13th September 2023

The draft minutes of the meeting of the Events & Communications Committee on 13th September were received.

**22/318 Finance Committee**

- a. To receive the draft minutes of the meeting held on the 18th September 2023

The draft minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee on 18th September were received.

- b. To receive the budget report for April to August 2023

The budget report for April to August 2023 was received.

There was a brief discussion around the cost of some children's activities at Killamarsh Active, as Cllr Rice commented they had recently increased in price, making it difficult for some families to access the activities.

Cllr Laws asked about financial savings that the Parish Council had made since the sports centre had been handed over to NEDDC and the Clerk and Chair said that although initially the Parish Council had made some payments to NEDDC as part of the handover agreement - just over £500k over three years - £2 million had been saved.

- c. To receive the External Auditors report and note any comments, if received prior to the meeting.

The external auditors report was received.

The Clerk had sent out the auditors report to Members prior to the meeting and confirmed that there were no areas of concern listed and it was noted on the report that actions highlighted on last years report had been completed.

**22/319 Planning**

- To determine any action required on the planning application information, from lists circulated by the office previously.

Cllr Wood asked if there was any information about when the police station would be closed for rebuild and where the local police staff would be based while the build was taking place. The Clerk confirmed that police staff were moving out in January 2024, with many moving to Staveley on a temporary basis. Local PCSOs have asked if on occasion they would be able to use the Community Hub facilities and it was confirmed that they could.

**22/320 Reports from Members**

- To receive reports from Parish Councillors who have attended recent meetings or events on behalf of the Parish Council including representation on external bodies:

- a. Veolia Norwood

No further meeting has taken place and Cllr C Lacey asked if the office could arrange another site visit for and Members who could not make it last time.

- b. Chesterfield Canal Trust

Cllr Laws said that the Canal Trust will no longer be holding a large annual festival at Staveley due to building works on the former site, but are looking to hold a number of smaller events, for which the Parish Suite may be ideal after the refurbishment has been completed.

- c. Community Support for Killamarsh (Bread Charity)

A member of the charity handed around a report that they asked to be kept confidential within the Council which detailed the current accounts of CS4K (former Bread Charity).

- d. NEDDC/Parish Liaison

No meeting.

## 22/321 Motions requested by Members

Cllr Tinley

To consider creating an annual or biennial event called *The Killamarsh Community Awards* to honour residents, groups and businesses that make a difference to Killamarsh.

A brief discussion took place and Cllr Clough seconded the motion. There was a vote with 11 in favour, 1 against and 1 abstention.

**RESOLVED: That the motion from Cllr Tinley to create an annual or biennial event called *The Killamarsh Community Awards* to honour residents, groups and businesses that make a difference to Killamarsh, is approved.**

## 22/322 Community Hub / CLOC Building

- To consider the future use of the former Rykneld Housing office building beyond November 2024.

The Clerk gave an update on an increase in costs associated with the building and confirmed that the lease states the building can only be used for administrative purposes. With the required notice period the earliest that it could be handed back to NEDDC is November 2024.

A discussion took place and Members asked if the lease could be changed so that the building could potentially be used for other purposes in the future, e.g. for youth activities. Cllr T Lacey asked if a potential purchase of the building could be looked into. Cllr Laws said he would be happy to give up the building and spend any cost savings on a community bus.

**RESOLVED: To ask NEDDC if the lease could be amended/changed to remove the requirement that the building may be used solely for administrative purposes. To ask NEDDC is they would consider selling the building to the Parish Council.**

## 22/323 Residents Correspondence

- To receive, consider and resolve how to respond to any residents correspondence.

The Clerk explained that going forward this agenda item would allow the Council to formally consider any residents correspondence that had come to the office. The Clerk asked if Councillors could please encourage residents to write to the office with any concerns, rather than entering into discussions on social media.

## 22/324 Items for discussion for a future agenda

- Levelling up within Killamarsh and identifying Council priorities (Cllr Laws)

## 22/325 Public Feedback

- To allow members of the public, 3 minutes each, to provide feedback on the meeting. No resolutions can be made under public participation.

There were no comments from the public.

## 22/326 Date of the Next Council Meeting

- To note the date of the next full council meeting is scheduled for 23rd October 2023

The meeting closed at 7.58pm