



MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 26 JUNE 2023

Those present :

Chair : Cllr S Clough

Vice-Chair : Cllr K Wood

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

Officers : Mrs G Blank, Mrs J France, Mrs C Watson

22/278 Chair's Announcements

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

22/279 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr D Drabble and the reason given was accepted.

22/280 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 Wood declared an interest in Item 17c 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.

22/281 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.

A member of the public expressed concern about the lack of a youth club in Killamarsh as they were under the impression a youth club facility would be created in Killamarsh Active when the old youth club building was demolished. The Chair said that the intention was always to have youth provision in the sports centre, not a youth club as such.

A member of the public commented on the grass in the cemetery not being removed after cutting. The Chair said this is correct, however the Council are currently looking at options to have the grass removed. The member of the public also highlighted the fact that there were grave plots of all different sizes within the cemetery, when they were under the impression that all plots should be of the same size. They also had noticed that two headstones were leaning over. The Chair said that a cemetery working party meeting had been arranged when all issues would be looked at.

22/282 Reports from County and District Councillors & Invited Guests

Cllr C Lacey reported from NEDDC with regards to the planning application to demolish the houses at 54/56 Chandos Crescent due to the tragic events that occurred, and said that the planning application would be moved on as quickly as possible.

Cllr Reed gave an update on the Skate Park refurbishment and said that NEDDC are providing additional funding to add to the government funding already received to enable the upgrade. He said that work is due to commence in September 2023.

22/283 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.

22/284 Minutes from the previous meeting

a) To approve the draft minutes of the Annual meeting of the Parish held on the 15th May 2023.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish held on 15th May 2023 are a true and accurate record.

b) To approve the draft minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 15th May 2023.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 15th May 2023 are a true and accurate record.

22/285 Finance Committee

a) To note the minutes of the meeting held on the 12th June 2023.

The minutes were noted.

b) To receive recommendations from the Committee to accept the internal auditors report and the approve the actions to be taken.

RESOLVED: That the internal auditors report is accepted and that the actions to be taken are approved.

c) To receive and approve the Committees recommendation to appoint Faye Hazlehurst as the internal auditor for the 23/24 accounts.

RESOLVED: That Faye Hazlehurst is accepted as the internal auditor for the 23/24 accounts.

22/286 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR)

a) To receive the Finance Committees recommendation to approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement for 2022/23.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Governance Statement for 22/23 is approved and the Chair signed it in the presence of Full Council and the Clerk.

b) To receive the Finance Committees recommendation to approve and sign the Annual Accounting Statement for 2022/23.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Accounting Statement for 22/23 is approved and the Chair signed it

in the presence of Full Council and the Clerk.

22/287 Events & Communications Committee

- To receive the minutes of the meeting held on the 7th June 2023.

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th June 2023 were received.

22/288 Environment & Climate Change Committee

a) To receive the minutes of the meeting held on the 14th June 2023.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 14th June 2023 were received.

b) To receive the Committees recommendation to approve the revised Allotments policy.

RESOLVED: That the revised Allotments Policy is approved.

c) To consider and approve the Committees recommendation to install electronic gates to the Cemetery.

RESOLVED: That the installation of electric gates at the cemetery is approved.

22/289 Parish Suite

a) To receive the notification that the funding application for the refurbishment of the Parish Suite has been granted and approve the acceptance of the offer.

RESOLVED: That the offer for grant funding to refurbish the Parish Suite was accepted.

Cllr Laws asked where the rest of the funding for the refurbishment would come from and the Clerk said from the refurbishment budget (£60k), loan savings (£25k) and the capital reserve fund (£30k).

b) To appoint a replacement member of the working party.

RESOLVED: That Cllr C Lacey be appointed as a member of the working party alongside Cllrs Clough, Windle and Curzon.

c) To approve the working party progressing the refurbishment of the Parish Suite inline with agreed budgets.

RESOLVED: That the progression of the refurbishment of the Parish Suite inline with agreed budgets is approved.

22/290 Parish Office Building

- To consider and approve the use of the current Parish Office Building for the handymen, storage of equipment and archiving of Council documents.

RESOLVED: That the use of the current Parish Office Building for the handymen, storage of equipment and archiving of Council documents is approved.

Cllr T Lacey asked if there was room for Killamarsh Heritage Group to store items in the building and the Clerk said there should be, and there also may be some space for other groups using the Hub to store a few items if needed.

22/291 Community Hub / CLOC Building

- To consider and approve the lighting replacement for more energy efficient bulbs in the Community Hub.

The Council discussed the Clerks report with the three quotations that had been received. There were questions asked around details of light fittings and cost savings due to using LED bulbs. Cllr Windle asked if there was any grant funding available and the Clerk said she would have a look. Cllr Tinley asked if applying for a grant would delay the works and potentially lead to an increase in costs.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk would establish whether there was any grant funding available which could be accessed immediately, but if not the works could be progressed as per the Clerk's recommendation to go with option 2.

22/292 Planning

- To receive the list of Planning applications and decision notices previously circulated to Councillors and decide upon any action that needed to be taken.

The planning list was received and there were no further comments.

22/293 Section 137 - Approval of Grants

a) To consider and approve the recommendation of the working group to approve the application from Killamarsh Natterchat Group.

RESOLVED: That the Section 137 application from Killamarsh Natterchat Group is approved.

b) To consider and approve an application received from the Heritage Society.

RESOLVED: That the Section 137 application from Killamarsh Heritage Society is approved.

c) To receive a report from the Heritage Society on their grant application in 2022 and note the repayment of unspent funds.

The report was received and noted and the Clerk confirmed that the unspent funds had been returned.

d) To receive a report from Killamarsh Methodist Church on their grant application in 2022.

The report was received with no further comments.

22/294 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 meetings had taken place, but the Clerk now had some suggested dates which she would circulate.

b. Chesterfield Canal Trust

Cllr Laws gave an update of the Chesterfield Canal Trust Festival that he had attended recently at Staveley. This included a potential time frame of 8-10 years for the Killamarsh part of the canal restoration, for which Cllr Laws provided some background of the original route through Killamarsh and the proposal for the new route. Cllr Laws asked if the Parish Council could send a letter to Chesterfield Canal Trust to thank the staff and volunteers for the great job that they did at the Festival as it was a really informative event.

c. Community Support for Killamarsh (Bread Charity)

A member of Community Support for Killamarsh (Bread Charity) was present in the audience and

confirmed there was nothing to update on currently.

d. NEDDC/Parish Liaison

No meeting had taken place.

22/295 Items for discussion for a future agenda

- Cllr Laws said he would talk to the Clerk after the meeting about potentially putting in a motion concerning parking on Bridge Street.

- Cllr C Lacey asked whether local police could attend meetings more regularly.

22/296 Date of the Next Council Meeting

- 24th July 2023.