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#### CHINEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Date:	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2022		
Time:	7.00pm		
Place:	Community Rooms, Chineham Village Hall		
Present:	Cllr. Paul Miller (Chair)		
	Cllr. Les Fryer	Cllr. Ginny Wright (19:38)	
	Cllr. Sue Fuller	Cllr. Luke Williams	
	Cllr. Andy Clarke		
	Amanda Owen (Clerk)	Ellen Harmon (Asst. Clerk)	

Councillor Paul Miller welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 1. To elect the Chair and receive the signed of Declaration of Office.

Full Council were addressed to ask for nominations for Chair. Cllr. Fuller proposed and Cllr. Williams seconded the motion that Cllr. Miller be nominated as Chair and this was unanimously agreed. It was therefore agreed that Cllr. Miller be elected Chair of the Parish Council for the ensuing municipal year and Cllr. Miller signed the declaration of office.

## 2. To elect the Vice-Chair and receive the signed of Declaration of Office.

Cllr. Miller asked the meeting for nominations for the role of Vice-Chair. Cllr. Clarke proposed and Cllr. Williams seconded the motion that Cllr. Fuller be nominated as Vice-Chair and this was unanimously agreed. It was therefore agreed that Cllr. Fuller be elected Vice-Chair of the Parish Council for the ensuing municipal year and Cllr. Fuller signed the declaration of office.

## 3. To approve the following policies:

Code of Conduct	Standing Orders	Financial Regulations
Asset Register	Risk Assessment	

After discussion Cllr. Miller proposed and Cllr. Fuller seconded the motion that the policies be approved. It was unanimously agreed that the policies be approved.

#### 4. To approve the following direct debits:

## British Telecommunications Aviva

After discussion Cllr. Miller proposed and Cllr. Clarke seconded the motion that the direct debits be approved. It was unanimously agreed that the direct debits be approved.

## 5. To elect Councillors to the following committees:

Finance Committee Planning Committee Recreation Committee

Following discussion it was agreed that no changes to the current committees would be made.

## 6. To review the Terms of Reference for the following Committees:

Finance Committee Planning Committee Recreation Committee

Following discussion it was agreed that no changes to the terms of reference would be made.

## 7. To elect the Representatives to outside organisations:

Basingstoke District Association of Parish & Town Councils Transport Forum Chineham Village Hall Management Committee Incinerator Liaison Panel Representative to liaise with the local Police Chineham Allotment Team

Following discussion it was noted that Cllr. Williams would be responsible for the Transport Forum and that the decision with regards to the representative to liaise with the Local Police would be revisited during the June meeting.

## 8. To receive and accept apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr. Bennett, Cllr. Giles & Cllr. Adams.

## 9. To sign as a correct records the minutes of the full council meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022 were signed by the Chair as a correct record.

## The Full Meeting of Chineham Parish Council commences here on in until the meeting closed.

## 10. To receive declarations of interest relevant to items on the agenda.

No declarations of interest were received.

## 11. Public participation.

No members of the public commented.

## 12. To receive reports from:

**Borough and County Councillors** 

## **CVHMC** Representative

RRW

## Borough Councillor Jenny Vaux provided the following report:

Cllr. Vaux expressed her pleasure with regards to being re-elected. She advised that voter numbers were higher this year. She advised that she feel honoured to have be voted for again and looks forward to working with Chineham Parish Council again.

Cllr. Vaux also noted that the grass cutting has commenced with areas looking tidier, although she noted it has

not taken place across the entire ward as yet. If any uncut areas are noted, please can they be reported to Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council.

## Borough Councillor Paul Miller provided the following report:

Cllr. Miller reported that he is due to be installed as Mayor of Basingstoke on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May and that he will be able to provide a further update with regards to the Jubilee in June.

#### **County Councillor Elaine Still report:**

I have explored the potential for the Loddon Valley catchment area to become part of a Local Nature Recovery Network and have requested this now be the case.

The Environment Act introduced a requirement for Local Nature Recovery Strategies (LNRSs) for England to be prepared and published by "Responsible Authorities." The Strategies will provide the foundation of a national Nature Recovery Network, identify the opportunities and priorities for enhancing biodiversity, and support wider objectives such as mitigating or adapting to climate change in an area. The strategies will have a key role in the land use planning system and be an important source of evidence for local planning authorities to use in the preparation of their Local Plans. They are also intended to support the delivery of wider environmental objectives and each Strategy will map specific opportunities for taking priority action for nature recovery and the use of "nature-based solutions."

The County Council is already committed to this way of working. For example, we are a member of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Local Nature Partnership (LNP) whose aims include creating bigger, better and more joined up places for nature in line with the vision and recommendations of Sir John Lawton's Making Space for Nature, and meet regularly with ecologists from the local planning authorities. Indeed, officers from the County Council and the Hampshire Biodiversity Information Centre (HBIC), which is hosted by the County Council, recently met with members of the Natural Environment Team at Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council to explore areas of common interest including climate change, biodiversity and the Environment Act. The officers will be meeting again to continue these discussions and it's expected that the preparation of the Local Nature Recovery Strategy, and building on existing successful initiatives, will be an important part of future conversations. One of those successes, and a significant advantage in developing the Strategy, will be the detailed Ecological Network Map for Hampshire prepared by HBIC on behalf of the LNP.

Protecting and enhancing the natural environment is of the highest importance to the County Council. Our commitment can be traced back over a number of years and through numerous initiatives. It is also a fundamental part of our work to tackle climate change in Hampshire.

**Facts and Figures** Hampshire's population is **1,389,200**(2020) the third most populous county in England (85% is rural and 15% urban). Hampshire CC maintains **5400** miles of roads, **4300** miles

pavements, **150,000**streetlights, **474** maintained schools for 138,000 pupils, **52** academy schools for **38,000** pupils, **10** residential homes for children and young people, **18** Older Persons Care Homes, **24** Cllr Jan Warwick

Household Waste Centres and **5** Country Parks. **4.8 million** books, e-books and magazines are loaned each year. The proportion of household waste sent to landfill has decreased since 2011/12 (from 8% to 4%). **96%** of all Hampshire waste is either recycled, reused, composted or sent for energy recovery. The waste sent to energy recovery produces sufficient energy to power **50,000** homes.

Budget HCC approves £2.4 billion spending on local services in 2022/2023 Plans for the next financial year focus on the county's ongoing work following the pandemic, support for vulnerable children and adults, investment in Hampshire's roads and infrastructure to support economic recovery, as well as climate change mitigation.

The annual council tax charge for a Band D property will be £1,390.86 – an increase of £0.78 per week, equating to 2.99%, of which 1% is for adults' social care. The budget includes £556.2 million of capital

expenditure over the next three years to boost jobs, the quality of the environment and to tackle climate change.

The proposed capital programme includes:  $\cdot$  £109 million in new and extended school buildings to ensure there is a school place for every child in Hampshire  $\cdot$  £136 million for structural maintenance and improvement of roads and bridges in Hampshire over the next three years  $\cdot$  £109 million for integrated transport schemes including over £50 million specifically focused on walking and cycling improvements  $\cdot$  £95 million for major improvement of school and other County Council buildings and land holdings over the next three years following the £33 million for decarbonisation schemes covering solar PV, single to double glazing window replacements, transition from oil to gas and the implementation of heating controls that took place in 2021-2022

**Climate Change** Hampshire County Council has been taking active steps to ensure Hampshire is resilient to the impacts of a 2% rise in average temperature and in mitigating further changes through carbon reduction measures. HCC's own emissions have reduced by more than 43%, with more than a 50% reduction by 2025 and carbon neutrality by 2050.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/climatechange

**Councillor Grants** This year I have supported a wide range of local causes across the Division with grants amounting to £8000.

## **CVHMC** Representative

Cllr. Les Fryer advised that the CVHMC has been tidying up the trees at the far end of the car park and that work is ongoing with regards to the hedge at the far side of the playing field.

## RRW

The April report was noted (Appendix A).

## 13. To receive an update from Cllrs. Fuller, Adams and Bennett with regards to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Cllr. Fuller advised that the Jubilee bench design has been decided, the bench comes with a lifetime guarantee. The land owners of the proposed potential bench locations are still being sought, Cllr Paul Miller is assisting with this.

A resolution was proposed by Cllr. Fryer and seconded by Cllr. Miller that the Jubilee Bench be purchased up to a cost of £3000.00. All members voted unanimously to accept this resolution.

Cllr. Miller also advised, with regards to the Queens Platinum Jubilee that on the afternoon of 5<sup>th</sup> June there is Jubilee event at the War Memorial Park. There is also a Civic Service at 3pm at St. Michaels Church.

# 14. To receive a further update from Cllrs. Williams, Giles and Bennett with regards to the Speed Management Initiative.

Cllr. Williams provided an update with regards to the Speed Management device with a few options of the next steps that could be taken.

It was proposed by Cllr. Williams, and seconded by Cllr. Miller that Chineham Parish Council agree to the rental of a device from Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council at a cost of £160.00 every four weeks.

Cllr. Williams is to provide the Clerk with the relevant information to facilitate the setting up on the Speed Management device.

## 15. To receive an update on the Scarecrow Trail and to consider any further recommendations.

Ani Spalding, Chair of The Basingstoke Disability Forum addressed the meeting and provided a comprehensive overview of the Charity and their aims.

Ani noted that the Chineham Scarecrow Trail and The Great Chineham Bake Off is designed to raise awareness and funding for the Charity. The Scarecrow Trail event is taking place in Chineham on the 28<sup>th</sup> May, including a Mini Trail at the shopping Centre. The Scarecrow Event Trail then continues in Sherfield Park on the 29<sup>th</sup> May. The Scarecrows will be on display from 28<sup>th</sup> May to 5<sup>th</sup> June.

The Great Chineham Bake Off is taking place at Christ Church in Chineham on 28<sup>th</sup> May.

Ani advised that if anyone has any questions with regards to the event or the work of The Basingstoke Disability Forum they can contact her.

Copies of the event posters can be found as Appendix B.

## FINANCE

## **16.** To note the current financial situation and reconciliation of the bank balance.

The Clerk addressed the meeting and explained that banking access was suspended therefore no reconciliation could be provided at this time. It was noted that Cllr. Fryer as primary user, would continue dealing with this and provide an update to the Cllr. Miller and the Clerk.

It was noted that the reconciliation would be reviewed at the next full council meeting.

## 17. To authorise the requests for payment for May.

Following a discussion, ClIr. Bennett proposed and ClIr. Fuller seconded the motion and it was unanimously agreed, that the items for payment shown on the list below, be authorised for payment. Such sums to be debited to the account of the Parish Council.

May Payment Requests			
From	Item	Amount	
Staff	Salary - May	£659.58	
Staff	Salary - May	£798.84	
Staff	Salary - May	£205.84	
Staff	Expenses - April	£10.00	
Staff	Expenses - March & April	£20.00	
HMRC	Tax & NI - May	£212.21	
Aviva	Pension Contributions	£119.45	
Aviva	Employer Pension Charge	£33.00	
George Hannington	Allotment deposit & key return	£70.00	
Duncan Little	Allotment deposit & key return	£60.00	
Viking	Clerk Stationery	£52.87	
Viking	Assistant Clerk Stationery	£75.71	
Julia Johnston	Expenses - Zoom	£14.39	
Vision ICT	Data Backup July 22 to June 23	£144.00	
Staff	Expenses - March & April	£46.90	
	Total	£2,522.79	

## 18. To consider Parish Council banking arrangements.

Following the discussion from item 16, it was noted that this would be revisited once online banking access has been reinstated.

## PLANNING

## **19.** To receive an update from the Chair of the Planning Committee.

Cllr. Miller provided a brief update with regards to the last two meetings.

## 20. To note the minutes of the Planning Committee Meetings held on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022 were noted.

## RECREATION

## 21. To receive an update from the Chair of the Recreation Committee.

Cllr. Fuller advised that there is lots of activity taking place at the Moat Park. The works finishing date will be advised and an invitation has been extended to Chineham Parish Council to have a look when the works have been completed. Cllr. Miller noted that the work looks professional.

Cllr. Fuller advised that bench considerations will be visited later this year.

## 22. To decide the date of the next meeting.

It was agreed that the next Full Council meeting would be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

The meeting closed at 20:42.

(NOTE – alterations were made as requested at the Full Council meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June.)

## **APPENDIX A**

## Rapid Response Warden Report - April 2022

- 8 (7) Abandoned shopping trolleys reported via Trolleywise.
  Locations include the footpath through Binfields Woodland Park, near St Joseph's Crescent, outside the village hall and on Coppice Pale, Long Lane and Reading Road.
- Reported problem with traffic lights on Binfields Roundabout to HCC.
- Printed and posted multiple noticeboard updates.
- Reported wheelie bin full of concrete near scout hall to B&DBC fly-tipping team.
- Checked report of damaged tree blocking Petty's Brook footpath. It had been moved.
- Attended allotment water meter to forward reading.
- Reported faulty traffic lights on Ring Road A33 roundabout to HCC.
- 2 weeks' vacation (interrupted).

## **APPENDIX B**



