

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BISHOPS HULL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE CHURCH HALL ON THURSDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY 2020

### HAVE YOUR SAY

One resident complained about parking at Shutewater Close and an abandoned car, she has not reported this to the police

**Action:** Clerk to report abandoned car

**PCSO Richards** was unable to attend and submitted a report

**Action:** Members were disappointed in the lack of attendance of the police at meetings and the quality of the report – Clerk to feedback

**Cllr Farbahi and Cllr Nicholls** gave verbal reports

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OPENED at 7.20pm

**In the absence of the Chairman Mr J Hunt Chaired the meeting**

**Members Present:** Mr J Hunt – Vice Chairman  
Mrs B Fernandes      Mrs J Henry  
Mr P Prior-Sankey      Mr T Taylor  
Mr M Turner              Mr S Turner

**Also Present:** 12 members of the public, District Cllr Nicholls, District Cllr Farbahi and Helen McGladdery (Clerk)

**E3436      Apologies for Absence**  
Mr M Leach – Chairman

Mr J Taylor did not attend

**E3437      To Agree Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019**  
The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman

**E3438      Declaration of Interest not already recorded**  
None

**E3439      Bishops Hull Hub**  
**Update on project from HUB Chairman**  
The Hub Chairman attended and had distributed his report, he gave a summary of the progress of the project and the funding position of the project  
**Presentation from fundraising team, with opportunity for Members questions**  
The funding teams report was distributed and a verbal presentation was given to Members. The Chairman thanked the team for all their hard work.

**E3440      Planning applications received:**  
**42/19/0053 - Application** for approval of reserved matters following outline application 42/14/0069 for construction of the strategic infrastructure associated with the Western Neighbourhood, including the spine road and infrastructure roads; green infrastructure and ecological mitigation; strategic drainage, earth re-modelling works and associated retaining walls on land at Comeytrove/Trull  
**Resolved:** The Chairman and the Clerk would draft a response based on the objections discussed at the meeting.

**Action:** The response will be distributed to Members for comments and agreement

**34/19/0037** - Application for approval of reserved matters following outline application 34/18/0015 for the delivery of the access junction, internal road and the erection of units 19 to 24 on land at Silk Mills Lane, Roughmoor, Taunton – NO COMMENT

**05/19/0049** - Erection of a single storey extension and an additional 3 No. bed two storey care unit at Longrun House, Longrun Lane, Bishops Hull – NO OBJECTION

**Action:** The Clerk to submit responses to SW&T

**E3441**

**Financial Matters:**

**Detail of payments made since the previous meeting and funds received**

Citizens advise donation	£50.00
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	£50.00
SALC - VAT training for Clerk	£60.00
SALC - New Cllr training BEV	£25.00
D Penny - New work boots	£45.01
Benjamin & Beauchamp - HUB architect	£6,922.64
Phone insurance	£3.00
Mobile phone	£7.00
H McGladdery -Clerk allowance/mileage	£81.63
HMRC Oct/Nov/Dec Tax & NI	£326.21
A Chapman - litter picking expenses	£11.40
Service Charge	£18.00
Colourtone - Jan Comm News and printing	£175.80
Church Hall hire	£18.00
A Chapman - litter picking expenses	£10.99
Water2business - allotment	£92.03
Easyspace - web hosting	£93.82

The Clerks and Street Cleaners December salaries were paid in this period

**Funds Received**

VAT refund	£1,834.64
CIL account interest	£66.60
Saving account interest	£26.55

**To agree revised Precept Request of £26,294.48 following the change of Council tax base at SW&T**

**Resolved:** Members voted unanimously to request a revised precept request of £26,294.48

**Action:** The Clerk to submit request to SW&T

**To agree an advisory group meeting to discuss The Clerk joining the Local Government Pension Scheme**

**Resolved:** Cllr Hunt proposed and seconded by Cllr Sturt Turner that rather than have a meeting to discuss that the Parish Council should agree to pay the new increased contributions. Members voted 6 to 1 in favour, so the motion was carried.

**Action:** The Clerk to arrange joining the scheme

**To agree bank signatories**

**Resolved:** Members agreed bank signatories to be Mike Leach, John Hunt, Bev Fernandes and Tony Taylor

**Action:** The Clerk to add Tony Taylor a signatory

**E3442 Clerks Report which will include all matters arising from previous minutes**

The Clerk report was distributed to Members

**E3443 To discuss Members attendance at Parish Council meetings**

Members were advised of the importance of attending meeting, as all decisions are made at meetings.

**E3444 SW&T Local Plan consultation**

**Resolved:** Members would make individual responses to the consultation

**E3445 Allotments**

**To agree Member for On-site contact**

Allotment holder Norman Atkins was present at the meeting and offered to be an onsite contact

**Resolved:** Members agreed for Norman to be the onsite contact and laissez with The Clerk

**To discuss project for use of £752.00 of Section 106 funds from SW&T**

**Resolved:** Members agreed to obtain quotes for a new gate

**Action:**

1. The Clerk to obtain quotes and report back to the March meeting
2. The Clerk to check the expiry date of the S106 funds with SW&T

**E3446 To review and adopt the following policies:**

**Standing Orders**

**Financial Regulations**

**Social Media policy**

**Code of Conduct policy**

**Risk Assessment & Internal controls**

**GDPR Privacy policy and Statement**

**Resolved:** Members agreed to adopt all the policies

**Action:** The Clerk to update the website and Facebook page

**Cllr Hunt made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Prior-Sankey** to discuss the following agenda item in closed session, due to the sensitive financial nature of the matter, all Members agreed

**E3447 To discuss supporting the village in the delivery of the new village hub facility, by the Parish Council investigating the avenue of applying for a loan to cover the short fall in capital required to complete the project; progressing a loan application will enable the Hub trust to present the scheme to additional fund providers**

Members were advised that if the Hub did not receive all the grant applications applied for, they would have a shortfall of £75,000. Several of the grant providers will not issue funds unless evidence can be provided that full funding of the project will be available.

**Resolved:** Bishops Hull Parish Council offer to take out an agreement of a loan up to the maximum of £80,000 in the event of there being a shortfall in the amount raised to cover the construction of the Bishops Hull HUB.

**Action:**

1. The Clerk to advise the HUB of the decision

2. The Clerk to notify residents via the Community News and Facebook page
3. The Clerk to contact SALC to begin the loan process

**E3448**

**Suggested items from Councillors for inclusion in next meeting**

1. Allotment grant
2. CIL Funds update
3. Memorial for Eddie

**E3449**

**Date of next meeting:** Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7.00pm at The Church Hall, Bishops Hull.

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm

**John Hunt – Chairman**