



# Whiteley Town Council

Minutes of the Full Council meeting of the above Council held in the Council Rooms at Meadowside Leisure Centre, Whiteley on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 7.15pm.

**Councillors present:** Mike Evans (Chairman), David Jenkins (Vice-Chairman), Vivian Achwal, Malcolm Butler, John Butter, Brenda Hatch, Pat Thew.

County Councillor Patricia Stallard, five members of the public, Town Clerk Nicki Oliver.

- 1. To receive apologies for absence** Colin Bielckus, Hazel Croft-Phillips, Martin Neal, Tasmin Smith.
- 2. To receive declarations of interest on agenda items** None
- 3. To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public.**

Resident Colin Putnam noted the unacceptable standard of maintenance of the Angelica play area. This is WCC's responsibility and Cllr Achwal agreed to take up the issue.

Mr Putnam also advised that antisocial car use was taking place in the shopping centre car parks. Suggested the cctv should be monitored.

Resident Whendie Blackwell raised concerns about traffic congestion. She believes it breaches the Human Rights Act Article 1. The situation is dangerous for residents as emergency vehicles are unable to access the area quickly. Ms Blackwell asked why WCC and HCC have such disregard for Whiteley that they put residents' lives at risk.

The Chairman outlined the Town Council's priorities for North Whiteley to ensure the early provision of an additional route out to ensure emergency access for the 'Herbs' community of Whiteley.

Resident Pat Wright asked about the WCC boundary review, he understands that Whiteley will be with Shedfield. The Chairman confirmed this was the case.

Mr Wright also raised concerns that a North Whiteley Forum has not been held ahead of the Planning Committee. The Chairman advised he had pressed for a Forum to be held without success.

Mr Wright hopes the Town Council will ensure residents of North Whiteley retain permitted development rights.

Resident Keith Slack noted that cars are parking up to the R1 junction.

**3.1 Report from the Safer Neighbourhood Team and to receive any concerns from residents** Report circulated prior to meeting.

**3.2 Report from County Councillor** Cllr Stallard advised that Cllr Woodward has written to the minister to seek the removal of the proposed Whiteley Way bus lane required by Highways England as part of the North Whiteley plans.

A case for a combined authority has been put to Westminster, member councils would work together on issues including highways, affordable homes and health services.

HCC is undergoing a division review, Whiteley likely to be with Shedfield and no longer be part of Cllr Stallard's ward.

**3.3 Reports from District Councillors** Report circulated at meeting.

**3.4 Chairman's announcements** The Chairman will be making a representation to WCC's Planning Committee on 10<sup>th</sup> September regarding North Whiteley. It was agreed that the Town Council should withdraw its support until earlier highways improvements are planned.

#### **4. To resume the meeting to consider the following agenda items:**

4.1 To approve and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> July 2015 **Minutes approved.**

4.2 To receive a report and recommendations from the Strategic Development and Policy Committee (Chairman)

4.2.1 To receive minutes of a meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> July 2015 **Minutes received**

4.2.2 North Whiteley update **The Town Council's responses to the proposals are on the website.**

4.3 To receive a report and recommendations from the Recreation and GP Committee. (Cllr Thew)

4.3.1 To receive minutes of a meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> July 2015 **Minutes received.**

4.3.2 Proposal to allocate £200,000 (+ VAT which can be reclaimed) to the Meadowside Extraordinary Park project **Resolved.**

4.4 To receive a report and recommendations from the Planning Committee (Cllr Jenkins)

4.4.1 To receive minutes of a meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> July 2015 **Minutes received.**

4.5 To receive a report and recommendations from the Highways and Transport Committee (Cllr Butler)

4.5.1 To receive minutes of a meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> July 2015 **Minutes received.**

4.6 To receive a report and recommendations from the Finance Committee (Cllr Bielckus)

4.6.1 Proposal to make a grant of £420 to Whiteley Primary School towards the cost of installing picnic benches **Resolved.**

4.7 Report from The Whiteley Voice Editor (Clerk) **Next edition due out mid October.**

4.8 Report on the Town Council website and social networking site (Cllr Jenkins /Clerk) **There are currently 3,494 members of Voice for Whiteley, traffic and parking are the main issues of discussion. Businesses outside of Whiteley of interest to residents to be permitted to post. Over 1,800 have viewed the Town Council's response to the North Whiteley plans.**

4.9 Reports from Councillors/Clerk on recent meetings attended

Monday Dawnus Cinema update meetings (Chairman) **Councillors will be invited to the official opening in November.**

30<sup>th</sup> June Whiteley Shopping Travel and Transport Steering Group (Cllr Butler) **Minutes will be circulated in due course.**

4<sup>th</sup> July Meadowside Extraordinary Park tender evaluations (Cllrs Jenkins, Smith, Thew, Clerk) **Progress reported to Recreation and GP Committee.**

30<sup>th</sup> June, 8<sup>th</sup> July Meadowside Music Festival planning meetings (Cllrs Evans, Jenkins, Smith, Thew, Clerk) **Date for 2016 9<sup>th</sup> July.**

9<sup>th</sup> July Meadowside Extraordinary Park contractor tender presentations (Cllrs Thew, Jenkins, Smith, Clerk)

11<sup>th</sup> July Meadowside Music Festival

22<sup>nd</sup> July Meadowside Music Festival wash up meeting (Cllrs Thew, Evans, Jenkins, Clerk)

22<sup>nd</sup> July WDALC Executive meeting (Cllr Evans, Cllr Butler, Clerk)

18<sup>th</sup> August Fireworks liaison with Selstar (Cllr Bielckus, Clerk)

4.10 Reports and evaluation of training and development sessions attended by Councillors/Clerk

Core skills training (Cllr Smith, Cllr Evans, Cllr Jenkins) **Good feedback from the training session.**

**5. Recent correspondence** List circulated prior to meeting.

**6. To note current bank balances**

| <b>Bank balances 3rd August 2015</b>          |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Treasurers ac                                 | £5,124          |
| Instant access ac                             | £362,316        |
| Total   | <u>£367,440</u> |
| Of this balance £167,916 is the Whiteley Fund |                 |

| <b>Bank balances 7th September 2015</b>       |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Treasurers ac                                 | £10,737         |
| Instant access ac                             | £348,332        |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>£359,069</b> |
| Of this balance £167,916 is the Whiteley Fund |                 |

## 7. Accounts for payment

### Whiteley Town Council Accounts for payment August 2015

| No           | chq/BACS | Recipient              | Amount            | Notes *reimburse Clerk                            |
|--------------|----------|------------------------|-------------------|---|
| 1            | BACS     | Derek Meek             | £180.00           | First Aid for MMF                                 |
| 2            | BACS     | King of the Castle     | £650.00           | Zorb activity MMF                                 |
| 3            | BACS     | Volunteer expenses     | £100.00           | Refreshments for MMF groundsman/volunteers (cash) |
| 4            | BACS     | J A Macaulay JAM Stage | £850.00           | Stage for MMF                                     |
| 5            | BACS     | PRS for Music          | £119.88           | Music licence                                     |
| 6            | BACS     | Viking                 | £70.74            | Lanyards / stationery for MMF, printer paper      |
| 7            | BACS     | OCS                    | £3,426.00         | As contract May/June                              |
| 8            | BACS     | WCC                    | £504.00           | July service charge for council rooms             |
| 9            | BACS     | Aqua Cleaning          | £144.00           | Cleaning bus shelters                             |
| 10           | BACS     | Good Directions        | £6,235.20         | Six bins and two picnic tables                    |
| 11           | BACS     | Footprint              | £328.80           | Town Council display flags and bases              |
| 12           | BACS     | HALC                   | £108.00           | Core Skills course                                |
| 13           | BACS     | Print Cartridge Direct | £27.97            | *Ink for printer                                  |
| 14           | BACS     | Tesco                  | £12.70            | *Bin liners and cleaning kit for MMF              |
| 15           | BACS     | Post Office            | £64.00            | *Postage  |
| 16           | BACS     | Nicki Oliver           | £893.58           | *Clerk's salary August                            |
| 17           | BACS     | Home as office         | £27.83            | *Clerk's expenses August                          |
| 18           | BACS     | Telephone and internet | £41.67            | *Clerk's expenses August                          |
| 19           | BACS     | Travelling             | £98.62            | *Clerk's travelling/expenses 6.7 - 3.8.15         |
| 20           | BACS     | HCC                    | £325.77           | Employer/employee pension                         |
| <b>Total</b> |          |                        | <b>£14,208.76</b> |   |

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| No           | chq/BACS | Recipient                                       | Amount            | Notes *reimburse Clerk  |
|--------------|----------|---|-------------------|---|
| 1            | BACS     | Kestrel Pest Control                            | £216.00           | Sprung wires to swing tops to deter pigeons   |
| 2            | BACS     | OCS<br>£5,179.10<br>£3,893.23<br><u>£354.00</u> | £9,426.33         | Grounds maintenance as contract June/July (includes hedge cutting)<br>Ditto July/August<br>New gates for Mollison play area |
| 3            | BACS     | WCC   | £504.00           | August service charge for council rooms   |
| 4            | BACS     | Southern Water                                  | £48.77            | Water for Meadowside rec  |
| 5            | BACS     | Zurich  | £853.55           | TC insurance  |
| 6            | BACS     | HMRC  | £1,027.17         | Employer/employee tax and NI  |
| 7            | BACS     | Nicki Oliver                                    | £893.58           | *Clerk's salary September   |
| 8            | BACS     | Home as office                                  | £27.83            | *Clerk's expenses September   |
| 9            | BACS     | Telephone and internet                          | £41.67            | *Clerk's expenses September   |
| 10           | BACS     | Travelling                                      | £82.18            | *Clerk's travelling/expenses 4.8 -7.9.15  |
| 11           | BACS     | HCC   | £325.77           | Employer/employee pension   |
| <b>Total</b> |          |   | <b>£13,446.85</b> |   |

Meeting closed 9.10pm

Signed .....

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