



# 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 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 7.15pm.

**Councillors present:** Mike Evans (Chairman), David Jenkins (Vice-Chairman), Vivian Achwal, Andy Baker, Colin Bielckus, Malcolm Butler, Hazel Croft-Phillips, Martin Neal, Morene Pinder, Pat Thew.

District Councillors Roger Bentote and Roger Huxstep, County Councillor Patricia Stallard, six members of the public, Town Clerk Nicki Oliver.

1. **To receive apologies for absence** PCSO Gracie Weatherill.
2. **To receive declarations of interest on agenda items** None.
3. **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public.**

Resident Colin Putman repeated his complaints about the lack of maintenance by Winchester City Council (WCC) of the open space in Angelica Way. **Cllr Bentote advised that a meeting with WCC officers has taken place to highlight the work required.**

Mr Putman also asked whether there are plans for alternative Broadband suppliers to offer a service in his area. **It was noted that Angelica Way has cable so other provision is unlikely in the short term.**

Resident Melanie Humphries asked for an update on plans to resolve parking safety issues in Bluebell Way. **The Chairman advised that a meeting with residents is due to be held on 13<sup>th</sup> February, invitations have been hand delivered to all affected properties in Bluebell Way.**

A resident of Buchan Avenue asked when the applications for Lidl and housing off Solent Way would be discussed. **The Chairman advised that they would be discussed at the Planning Committee on 15<sup>th</sup> February.**

The resident also asked about the progress of the Emergency Plan. **Cllr Butler advised that it was ongoing but almost complete and would cover all of Whiteley.**

The resident also noted she had never been asked whether she would support a town or parish council for the Fareham side of Whiteley. **The Chairman advised that campaigns for parish councils in Fareham Borough have not been successful.**

**Greg Quick President of The Rotary Club of Whiteley presented a cheque to the Town Council for £6,071.13 towards the wheelchair swing project. Mr Quick said the Rotary Club works with the community to raise funds and appreciates the excellent relationship with the Town Council.**

**The Chairman thanked the President and noted that without the Rotary Club the Town Council would not be able to run the music festival and fireworks events. Particular thanks to Pat Thew, John Hall and Greg Quick in this respect.**

**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** Report circulated prior to meeting. Government agreement to funding for Stubbington Bypass was noted. It would appear that the Solent devolution deal has not met Government approval. Hampshire County Council maintain preference for a countywide combined authority.

**3.3 Reports from District Councillors** Cllrs Achwal and Bentote provided a report prior to the meeting, the main local issue is inadequate maintenance of some WCC areas of open space. Cllr Huxstep advised that Winchester City Council's Local Plan Part 2 Development Management and Allocations has been found to be 'sound' by the Inspector and is due to be adopted shortly.

**3.4 Chairman's announcements** The Chairman recorded thanks to Groundsman Dave Ellis and his team for cleaning the Meadowside play area after recent criminal damage.

#### **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 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 **Minutes approved and signed.**

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

4.2.1 To receive minutes of meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 **Minutes received.**

**The Chairman is liaising with Winchester City Council, Hampshire County Council and the North Whiteley Consortium regarding phasing issues for the highways improvement works to M27 Junction 9, R1 roundabout and Whiteley Way through to the extension of Bluebell Way onto Botley Road. The early completion of the no right turn into Parkway South is vital to reduce congestion.**

4.2.2 Proposal to adopt revised Town Council Strategy for 2017/18 **Resolved.**

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

4.3.1 To receive minutes of meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 **Minutes received. Presentation on cctv proposals to be made prior to the meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> February.**

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

4.4.1 To receive minutes of meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 **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 meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 **Minutes received.**

4.6 To receive a report and recommendations from the Finance Committee (Cllr Bielckus) **Next meeting 15<sup>th</sup> February.**

4.7 Report from The Whiteley Voice Editor (Clerk) **February edition being prepared.**

4.8 Report on the Town Council website and social networking sites (Cllr Jenkins /Clerk) **There are currently 6,891 members of Voice 4 Whiteley. Topics of conversation are many and varied. Whiteley Town Council Page has 460 'likes'.**

4.9 Reports from Councillors/Clerk on recent meetings attended

18<sup>th</sup> January Lidl presentation **Application will be on the agenda for the Planning Committee meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> February.**

23<sup>rd</sup> January Southern Parishes meeting **Meeting of local parish councils to discuss matters of joint interest. HCC provided an update on Botley Bypass, no time scale for completion at present.**

23<sup>rd</sup> January presentation Fulcrum 6 proposals **Application will be on the agenda for the Planning Committee meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> February.**

24<sup>th</sup> January HALC Board Awayday **Cllr Butler attended the event, the Leader of Eastleigh Borough Council presented their devolution on demand policies and use of Special Expenses to pass funding back to parishes to prevent double taxation.**

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

30<sup>th</sup> January Local Government Transparency Code 2014 making it work for your council (Clerk) **The Town Council complies with much of the Code for larger councils already although its turnover does not require compliance. The Code is not enforceable.**

4.11 To approve Clerk's salary increase **An increase to the Clerk's salary was agreed.**

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

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## 6. To note current bank balances

| Bank balances 6th February 2017 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Current ac                      | £7,330   |
| Instant ac                      | £197,007 |
|                                 | £204,337 |

## 7. Accounts for payment It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

### Accounts for payment February 2017

| No | Paid by: | Recipient               | Amount            | VAT inc | Notes *reimburse Clerk                               |
|----|----------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|--|
| 1  | BACS     | Winchester City Council | £504.00           | √       | Service charge for Council rooms                     |
| 2  | BACS     | Winchester City Council | £260.00           |         | Emptying dog bins                                    |
| 3  | DD       | Biffa                   | £156.24           | √       | Meadowside bins                                      |
| 4  | BACS     | OCS                     | £1,924.66         | √       | December as contract                                 |
| 5  | BACS     | Miracle                 | £7,334.54         | √       | Supply of wheelchair swing                           |
| 6  | BACS     | Greenbarnes             | £1,033.81         | √       | Notice board for Meadowside                          |
| 7  | BACS     | Haskins                 | £49.96            |         | Plants for memorial planters, refunded to Dave Ellis |
| 8  | BACS     | HALC                    | £18.00            | √       | Transparency Regs training                           |
| 9  | BACS     | Mike Evans              | £123.35           |         | Chairman's expenses, travelling                      |
| 10 | BACS     | RIBA Enterprises        | £38.50            |         | Book: Designing for Biodiversity                     |
| 11 | BACS     | Nicki Oliver            | £893.59           |         | *Clerk's salary February                             |
| 12 | BACS     | Home as office          | £29.25            |         | *Clerk's expenses February                           |
| 13 | BACS     | Telephone and internet  | £41.66            |         | *Clerk's expenses February                           |
| 14 | BACS     | Travelling & exp        | £92.74            |         | *Clerk's travelling                                  |
| 15 | BACS     | HCC                     | £334.09           |         | Employer/employee pension                            |
|    |          |                         |                   |         |  |
|    |          | <b>Total</b>            | <b>£12,834.39</b> |         |  |

Meeting closed 8.52pm

Signed.....

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