

MEETING OF CHANDLER'S FORD PARISH COUNCIL

7.00 PM 20 MARCH 2023

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Chairman Cllr Evans; Councillors: Abraham, Beer, A Broadhurst, H Broadhurst, Child, Davies, Duguid, Irish, Johnson, Jones, Kyrle, Selby and Scott.

In Attendance: Duncan Murray (Parish Clerk/RFO) and Hilary Blaker (Deputy Finance Officer [DFO]).

Public Participation:

There were three members of the public present. One commented on the potential bus service replacement and that it was needed. A second concurred.

The Clerk commented on both items.

1082 APOLOGIES

These were received from Cllrs Attrill, Bicknell and Pragnell. Cllr Baker was not present.

1083 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None were declared.

1084 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman read out her report which covered the advert for the replacement for the retiring Clerk which would be on the council's website the following day, that 'Linked In' councillors could post a link on their profile. That the 'Warm Rooms' were finishing at the end of the month. The Jubilee Gardens were coming along well, and that the plants had been ordered, volunteers were needed to help plant the 1,600 plants. Funtasia was going ahead on the Mayday Bank Holiday with some new attractions and councillors were needed to volunteer on the day and could councillors let Hilary and Diane in the office know how/when they could help out. And finally she wished Cllr Kyrle a happy 90th birthday.

1085 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETINGS.

(N.B. NALC state in their LTN 5 November 2021 re minutes pt 67 "The draft minutes of a meeting must be formally approved by the next suitable meeting and duly signed by the Chair of the meeting (paragraph 41(1) of schedule 12 to the 1972 Act).")

- a) **to approve the minutes of meeting of the Parish Council held on 30 January 2023,**
- b) **to accept the minutes of the Asset Management Committee of 6 February 2023 and approve the minutes of that committee of 6 March 2023, and**
- c) **to accept the confidential minutes of the HR Committee of 21 February 2023, and to approve the confidential minutes of that committee of 14 March 2023.**

The Full Council and Asset Management Committee minutes were AGREED/ACCEPTED as required following proposal, seconding and on a show of hands.

A Member requested that the 'are' be changed to 'Will be' be changed on the HR Committee Minutes, minute point 5(b) and that 'from 1 April 2023' be added to the same minutes at the end minute point 5(c). The change was made to the end of 5(c) not 5(b). Following proposal, seconding and on a show of hands the HR minutes of 14 March were AGREED, and the earlier minutes of that same committee were ACCEPTED.

1086 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE WHETHER TO GRANT £10,200 TOWARDS THE REPLACEMENT X6/7 BUS FOR ITS RUNNING COSTS, AS MATCH-FUNDING FOR COUNTY COUNCILLOR GRANTS OF £3,000 AND A £9,463 GRANT FROM EBC.

Cllr Duguid briefed Members on the proposals that would see a reduced service funded for a year, from May 2023 on a 'Use it or Lose it' basis providing a service 5 times a day 5 days a week. Members discussed the marketing and other factors for a further ten minutes or so. Following proposal, seconding and on a show of hands it was AGREED to make the grant for the service at £10,200 for the period of May 2023 to end of April 2024. If further funding was needed, this would need to be considered in the drawing up of the 2024 – 2025 budget.

Whilst it was accepted that Hampshire County Council would monitor the contract it was requested that a Member of the Parish Council also did, informally. The Clerk pointed out that this was not allowed under s101 LGA 1972, so it was AGREED that the Transport Subcommittee would monitor performance.

1087 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE WHETHER TO MAKE THE FRYERN PAVILION AVAILABLE FOR A COMMUNITY SCREENING OF THE CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III AS THE BBC HAVE GIVEN A LICENCE DISPENSATION.

Following proposal, seconding and on a show of hands the provisions of a community screening of the Coronation was AGREED, with the Fryern Community Association offering to provide coordination on the day.

1088 TO AGREE THE RECOMMENDATION FROM ASSET MANAGEMENT TO ADOPT THE REVIEWED ASSET REGISTER FOR 2022-2023 AT A VALUE OF £3,128,641 WITH ADDITIONS OF £88,964 (CURRENTLY) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR

Following proposal, seconding and on a show of hands the review of the Asset Register and the likely uplift for the year 2022 – 2023 was AGREED.

1089 TO AGREE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HR COMMITTEE TO:

- a. agree the draft Bereavement Policy for adoption,
- b. agree the draft external advert for the recruitment of the Proper Officer,
- c. agree that the current role of Proper Officer/Clerk and RFO be split into two roles.
- d. agree that the Scalar Points for the Proper Officer/Clerk are SCP33—36 and the RFO SCP 29-32, and
- e. agree that the Parish Council should, subject to positive consultation with staff, ADOPT the HALC Model Contract of Employment with effect from 1 April 2023, with FTE hours being 37 hours per week.

The RECOMMENDATIONS were gone through individually and following proposal, seconding and on a show of hands on each item they were all AGREED.

It was also noted that all the Parish Clerk applications were to go through to the interview panel for selection.

1090 DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING: 7.30PM 22 MAY 2023 AT FRYERN PAVILION, GREENWAYS.

That being the conclusion of business the meeting closed at 7.52pm.

Chairman.....