



Minutes of the Bradford on Avon Town Council  
Community & Recreation Committee  
Held at Town Council offices, St Margaret's Hall, Bradford on Avon  
On 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7pm

Present:

Cllr A Kay  
Cllr T Lomax (non-member)\*  
Cllr J Lynch  
Cllr S McNeill-Ritchie  
Cllr D Newton (Leader of the Council)\*\*  
Cllr M Roberts  
Cllr D Taylor (Chairman)  
Sandra Bartlett (Town Clerk)  
\*left at 7.30pm  
\*\*arrived at 7.08pm

Members of the Public: Richard Craft, Peter Dunford and John Baker Wiltshire Times.  
Apologies: Cllr J Parker

71. Minutes

It was proposed by Cllr Kay and seconded by Cllr McNeill-Ritchie and with all in favour it was **RESOLVED:** to accept the minutes of the last meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

72. Declarations of interest - none

73. Chairman's Report

Chairman reported that AB Dynamics had paid £10,000 towards maintenance of Victory Field and Culver Close.

74. Grants

- (i) Richard Craft answered questions on Walkers are Welcome. After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Lynch seconded by Cllr Kay and with all in favour it was **RESOLVED:** to award Walkers are Welcome £620.
- (ii) After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Kay, seconded by Cllr Newton and with all in favour it was **RESOLVED** That the French Twinning Easter Egg Hunt on the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2019 could use of Westbury Gardens free of charge for two hours.
- (iii) Jez Bennett First Responders to 999 calls – Cllr Roberts explained that he was trying to do the Part 2 on this one but could not obtain information on whether the equipment was needed. It was decided to defer on this application to the next meeting.

75. Youth Strategy

- (i) Leader of the Council explained the Report and Rota from Community Family Care noted. Community Family Care would be carrying out a full review in the next month and they would be reporting to the Wiltshire Council Area Board for £10,000 from the LYN (Local Youth Network) for next financial year.
- (ii) Proposal from Leader of the Council for Bradford on Avon Schools Cluster Multi-Agency Forum. After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Newton seconded by Cllr Lynch and with all in favour it was **RESOLVED:** That £500 match funding be awarded from the Youth Strategy budget.

#### 76. CWLPEC

Leader of the Council explained his proposal. After discussion, it was agreed to recommend to Full Council:-

- The Town Council is the sole trustee;
- To ensure proper management of the charity, we are required to confirm governance arrangements:

#### **That this committee recommends the following measures be taken:**

- Day-to-day management will be delegated to Town Council officers, subject to established oversight arrangements. The existing SLA between CWLPEC and the TC will be reviewed to reflected this.
- A CWLPEC management committee will be established comprising:
  - Members of the Community and Recreation Committee;
  - Member of Town Development Committee;
  - Wiltshire Councilors representing the two Bradford on Avon Wards;
  - Additional co-opted members as the CWLPEC Management Committee may deem appropriate (to comprise no more than one-fifth of the total membership);
- The CWLPEC management committee will be subject to oversight from the full Town Council through normal channels.

#### 77. Health & Well-being

Leader of the Council explained his resolution. He said that the local doctors' plan to close down St. Damian's Melksham Surgery had been rejected by the Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group. Members agreed to provide feedback on this to Cllr Newton.

Details of this policy:-The Town Council will:

- Work with the Wiltshire CCG and local NHS GP practice to identify local need;
- Focus on preventative services to reduce pressure on local primary care services;
- Review support for local health services delivered from Town Council premises, to ensure that local provision can be maintained;
- Where it adds value, work in partnership with other local funding providers, including Wiltshire Council.

After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Newton seconded by Cllr Kay and with all in favour it was **RESOLVED:** To recommend to Full Council to adopt this Policy Proposal on Health and Well-being.

#### 78. Skatepark

Cllr Newton explained the skatepark request for proposals and answered questions on the detail. After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Newton, seconded by Cllr Kay and with all in favour it was **RESOLVED:** To obtain several requests for proposals on a skatepark.

#### 79. New initiative – Community Agriculture

Leader of the Council reported that some Town Councillors had discussed ways of reducing food miles; reducing local consumption of plastic-wrapped foods; encouraging gardening as a healthy community activity; and encouraging food production as a household economy measure. It was noted that separately the Bradford on Avon Community Agriculture had contacted the Town Council to discuss how the project could continue to run. Cllr Newton reported that a detailed proposal will follow.

#### 80. To discuss the future of this committee

Cllr Lynch reported that he had circulated his thoughts with councillors. After discussion, it was decided to have a task force which will meet on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 10am to discuss this matter.

#### 81. Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting has been arranged for the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.