

# **BURNHAM ON CROUCH TOWN COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 18th OCTOBER 2022 AT 7.30pm AT THE CHAMBER HALL, COUNCIL OFFICES, CHAPEL ROAD, BURNHAM ON CROUCH, ESSEX.

Present: Councillors B. Calver (Town Mayor), D. Rawlinson, W. Stamp, K. Coles, K. Wilson and J. Donnelly.

## 149 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence. None

## 150 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

All Town Councillors have completed their Statutory Declarations of Interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and the Code of Conduct for Members, adopted by the Town Council.

To disclose the existence and any nature of any Dicloseable Pecuniary Interests. Other Registrable interests and Non-Registrable Interests relating to items of business on the agenda having regard to paragraph 9 and Appendix B of the Code of Conduct for Members.

(Members are reminded that they are also required to disclose any such interests as soon as they become aware should the need arise throughout the meeting.)

# 151 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive the Town Mayor's announcements. Cllr Calver attened the Rotary Club 10km Run.

## 152 MINUTES

To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday  $27^{\text{th}}$  September 2022.

**RESOLVED:** Defer to next meeting.

# 153 PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

To receive and sign the confirmed Minutes of the Planning Meetings held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

**RESOLVED: AGREED.** 

# 154 STAFFING COMMITTEE MINUTES

To receive and agree the signed minutes from the Staffing Committee for noting  $7^{\text{th}}$  October 2022.

**ACTION:** Defer to next meeting.

Councillor Bob Calver (Town Mayor)

Signed

# 155 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

No public participation.

#### 156 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Town Clerk was not in attendance - nothing to report.

#### 157 DIARY DATES

Circulated.

#### 158 CO-ORDINATORS' REPORTS

To receive co-ordinators' reports:

- General Purposes Councillor Stamp vistied The Station house requesting a reopening needing a clean up/decorating/PAT testing. Cllr Stamp also attended ECC meeting with the Youth group suggesting we start a new Youth Group. Cllr Stamp proposed this and Cllr Rawlinson Second.
- Highways Councillor Rawlinson informed parking remains an issue, and is currently being looked into.
- Carpark resurfacing for Providence is being revisited with a view to looking into EV charging ponts.
- During September a 7day Automatic traffic count survey was carried out and information circulated on speed limits of 30ph.
- Environment Cllr Claver will write to request a site meeting to discuss the
  embankment and Station House. Suggesting that the local schools and
  communitity support help the clean up of the Station house.
  Cllr Calver has also been in contact with Skippers with a couple of new areas
  needing work done, as a result a new quotation has been requested. Resolved- all
  in favour to go ahead.

Tree works tender sent out to 3 contractors and with a result that all quotations where not satisfactoray and will need to re-quote.

• Councillor Katherine Wilson to take over as Environmental co-ordinator.

#### 159 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

To receive District Councillors' reports.

Cllr Stamp arranged a working group meeting but unfortunately this has been delayed.

Spoke briefly of the financial challenges facing Maldon District Council. Cllr Stamp informed us of the Pontoon now to come out of reserve from the envrinment agency by next summer. Suggesting that the pontoon is Free use for all residents of Burnham-on-Crouch.

## 160 TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

To receive Town Council representatives' reports.

- Councillor Bob Calver had a meeting with the Carnival Committee requesting a change of date for the Christmas light switch on to co-incide with the Christmas Fate. No resolve and as such we have two separate dates for each event.
- There will be an email update is due from the Solicitor regarding the allotments by the end of week.

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#### 161 ACCOUNTS AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS

- a) To defer to next council meeting.
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- c) To defer to next council meeting.
- d) Unity Bank mandate updated and Barclays to be updated.
- e) Cllr Wendy Stamp and new Chief Officer to arrange a meeting to discuss finance and accounts.
- f) To contact Rialtas for Training.

ACTION: Barclays bank mandate to be updated. Photocopier renewal circulated and suggested we re-quote for new photocopier/provider.

#### 162 GRANTS AND DONATIONS

To discuss recent applications, if any. None

#### 163 CASUAL VACANCY

To receive an update from the Temporary Town Clerk No applications to date.

Cllr Wilson to promote via social media.

#### 164 PILL BOX BENCHES

To receive an update, to discuss and pass any resolution as necessary. Agreed to use disoloved powers to carry out works for £1k.

#### **165 CCTV**

Update from Cllr Stamp.

To discuss and pass any resolution as necessary.

A Meeting is being held on 11th November @ 11:30am.

## 166 THE QUAY

Update and discussion.

Maldon District Council and Cllr Scott, Essex County Council are awaiting an update.

#### 167 PROVIDENCE CAR PARK

Update from Cllr Rawlinson

To discuss and pass any resolution as necessary.

EV Charging points need looking at before a dicison can be made.

ACTION: Cllr Rawlinson to organise government funding if any.

#### 168 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TEAM

Proposal of meeting with Community Engagement Team to discuss service.

To discuss and pass any resolution as necessary.

Nicola Syder has agreed the formal meeting being held  $15^{th}$  November and has been invited to an informal metting being held  $1^{st}$  November @ 6pm.

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#### 169 WEBSITE

To update and discussion. To discuss and pass any resolution as necessary. Deferrd to next meeting.

## 170 NEW IT EQUIPMENT

Update on installations dates.

To contact The Computer Company to liaise with Daisy communications to carry out a up/down speed test and confirm broadband type (copper or fibre). A quotation to be requested to upgrade as necessary

#### 171 REMEMBRANCE

Discussion on necessary activities, roles and responsibilities and progress to date. Cllr Wilson to assist with names and order of service with Jim Cousins. A poster to be made up for residents to make them aware of the serives and order. Refreshments to be held @ the Baptise Church after the service. Office to print off 200 copies of service sheets. Accept Security quote and brief the new chief officer on the Stewards.

#### 172 CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Discussion on necessary activities, roles and responsibilities and progress to date. Cllr Kelvin Cole to assist on the Christmas tree supply @ The Limes, licencing for the Christmas tree lights and to supply Father Christmas.

Chief officer and office to obtain use if power from 'The One-stop', ensuring we have rubber/tape for the H&S of the cabling.

Cllr Wendy Stamp to supply/provide Selection Boxes.

Cllr Katherine Wilson to design and provide a poster for the council to print for Christmas tree light switch on.

Propose we make the Carol service on the Saturday  $17^{\text{th}}$  December due to the World Cup fixtures.

Cllr Wendy Stamp diagreed with this change of date.

#### 173 PHOTOCOPIER

Discussion of current contract and options going forward.

Our current contract has expired.

New suppliers to be found and quotations to be brough to next council meeting.

#### 174 PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present

#### 175 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members to note the following: 15.11.22 & 13.12.22

Signed

Councillor Bob Calver (Town Mayor)

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# 176 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Councillors to Resolve that by virtue of the provisions of Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded during discussion of the following business on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

### 177 ALLOTMENTS

To receive an update. Formal meeting being held with the committee AGM 31<sup>ST</sup> October

#### 178 STAFFING MATTERS

To receive an update.

It was agreed we accept the Town wardens application and there will be a probationary period of six months with a performance review after three months.

#### 179 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

To close the Meeting having considered and determined all items of business. Meeting closed at  $10:10~\mathrm{pm}$ .

