

## WEST BLETCHLEY COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2016 IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 221 WHADDON WAY, WEST BLETCHLEY.

**Present:** Cllrs Belcher, Butson, Campbell, Cockbaine, Gibb, Harvey, Helder, Hircock, Kearon, Kelley, Legg, Long, John Phillips, Tony Phillips, Power, Rahman, Revell, Sinclair, Thomas and Wales.

**In attendance:** the Clerk and 1 members of the public

#### **FC16/19 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Reddy and Turnbull.

**FC16/20 Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Belcher declared an interest in agenda item 8a) (as a governor of Rickley Park Primary School) and took no part in the discussion on that matter.

#### **FC16/21 Public Questions**

A representative of West Bletchley “Men in Sheds” thanked the Council for the support that it had provided to local residents to enable them to set up this group.

**FC16/22 Ward Items** - None

#### **FC16/23 Minutes of Meeting of Full Council held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2016**

The minutes were approved and signed by Cllr Belcher as a correct record of the meeting.

**FC16/24 Requests for membership of the Council Committees** – None

#### **FC16/25 Chair’s Announcements**

Members of the Council formally paid their respects in memory of Cllr Arun Vaidyanathan who had recently sadly passed away.

#### **FC16/26 Minutes of the meetings of the Council’s Committees**

##### **Resolved that:**

- i) the minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meetings held on 14<sup>th</sup> March & 18<sup>th</sup> April 2016 be received and the recommendation contained therein be adopted,
- ii) the minutes of the Community Committee meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016 be received and the recommendation contained therein be adopted,
- iii) the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2016 be received and the recommendations contained therein be adopted,
- iv) the Council approves the adjustment of the Community Safety Grant earmarked balance to £4,330.

#### **FC16/27 Planning Applications**

**27.1: 16/00698/FUL** – Single storey side and rear extension, 22 Otter Close (**This Council had no objection to this application**)

**27.2: 16/00802/FUL** – Proposed two storey rear extension, 7 Haydock Close (**This Council had no objection to this application**)

**27.3: 16/00837/FUL** – Erection of porch, replacement of flat roof to existing side extension with pitched roof and application of cladding to side extension. Erection of single storey rear extension and replacement and extension of front driveway, 136 Sutherland Grove (**This Council had no objection to this application**)

#### **FC16/28 West Bletchley Council Elections 2016**

It was noted the Council had received confirmation:

- i) that contested elections would be held on 5<sup>th</sup> May in the Abbeys, Rivers and Saints wards,
- ii) of uncontested elections in the Castles, Church Green, Counties, Fairways, Poets and Scotts wards,
- iii) that the elected Councillors would take office from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May,

- iv) that vacancies now existed in the Racecourses (2) and Church Green (1) wards,
- v) that the Council would have until Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June to co-opt to fill these vacancies, after which date the vacancies would need to be advertised in the normal way.

**FC16/29 Councillor Allowances**

**Resolved that:**

- i) Councillor Remuneration for 2016/17 be retained at £1,430.57 for the Chair of the Council and £716.30 for other Elected Members,
- ii) the updated Scheme of Councillor Allowances be adopted with the inclusion of the agreed remuneration rates.

**FC16/30 Standing Orders**

**Resolved:** that the revised Standing Orders, as submitted with the agenda, be adopted.

**FC16/31 Rickley Park**

**Resolved:** that the report of the Head of Council Services be received and the project programme be approved.

**FC16/32 Bletchley St Martin's Bowls Club**

**Resolved that:**

- i) the report of the Head of Council Services be received,
- ii) Bletchley St Martin's Bowls Club be granted approval to replace the existing flat roof and make minor alterations to the internal layout of the clubhouse subject to the Club formally agreeing terms as advised by the Council's solicitors,
- iii) in accordance with Standing Order 17, Councillors be authorised to sign the required 'licence to carry out works'.

**FC16/33 Community Asset Transfer**

**Resolved:** that the oral report of the Clerk be received.

**FC16/34 Matters relating to External Bodies**

**Resolved:** that the reports be received.

**FC16/35 Date of Next Meeting**

Members noted that the **Annual General Meeting** would be held on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2016** and the next meeting of the Full Council would be held at **7.30pm on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2016** at **221 Whaddon Way, West Bletchley.**

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**Chair of Council**