

ST STEPHEN PARISH COUNCIL

Bricket Wood, Chiswell Green and Park Street

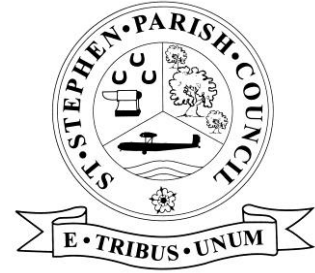
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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

Thursday 20 January 2022 at 7.30pm at the Parish Centre, Tennyson Hall,
Bricket Wood AL2 3PJ

Present: Councillors

Wendy Berriman

David Brannen

Ajanta Hilton

Dorothy Kerry

David Parry

Bill Pryce

Mark Skelton

Nicholas Tyndale

Eileen Whittaker

Also present: Sue Hake, Clerk

2122/070 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Cllrs Spelman, Doyle, Yates

2122/071 To receive declarations of interest and dispensations

a) To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda

b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests

c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None received

2122/072 To note the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 18 November 2021 to be agreed and signed

Resolved: Cllr Pryce proposed confirmation of the minutes to be signed, seconded Cllr Brannen

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

2122/073 Public Participation – to receive petitions, comments and questions

To welcome public participation in accordance with the Public Speaking Policy

No members of the public attended

2122/074 Reports: Finance, Policy and Resources

a) To Note lists of December 21 payments and January 22 payments (circulated)

Noted

b) To note direct debit and card payments Oct-Dec 21

Noted

c) To consider and agree any grant/discount applications

i. CRP grant application

Resolved: Cllr Pryce propose payment of the £500 grant, seconded Cllr Skelton

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

2122/075 To consider and agree virement of additional funds from reserves up to £5k in excess of the budget for urgent playground equipment repairs and replacements

Resolved: Cllr Pryce proposed agreement for a sum up to £5k to used for urgent playground equipment repairs and maintenance if required, seconded Cllr Berriman

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

2122/076 Play areas – To agree costs of £16,151.97 replacement equipment and £31258.52 for works

Resolved: Cllr Pryce proposed agreement for the costs of £16151.97 and £31258.52 works, seconded Cllr Berriman

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

2122/077 To agree spend for Legionella Risk Assessment works up to £12,000 incl VAT

Resolved: Cllrs Tyndale proposed the agreement to spend up to £12505.20 incl VAT, seconded Cllr Skelton

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

2122/078 To agree spend for new and replacement fire detection at GWP and PC up to £6,750 incl VAT

Resolved: Cllr Skelton proposed agreement to spend up to £6750 including VAT for the replacement fire detection at GWP and PC, seconded Cllr Kerry

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

Resolved: Cllr Parry proposed delegated power for the decision of the contractor to be agreed by Cllr Parry as Chair of the Council and Cllr Kerry as Chair of Finance, up to the amount of £6750 incl VAT, seconded Cllr Tyndale

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

2122/079 Budget/Precept Approval 2022-23

- a) Recommendation to review and approve the Budgeted income of £187,211 and expenditure of £904,961 for 2022-23

Resolved: Cllr Kerry proposed approval of the 2022-23 Budget, seconded Cllr Pryce

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

- b) Recommendation to approve the Precept of £615,480, 4% increase of £3.57 per annum for a Band D property

Resolved: Cllr Parry proposed approval of the Precept of £615,480 seconded Cllr Hilton

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

- c) Recommendation to approve use of reserves to cover any shortfall of planned expenditure

Resolved: Cllr Pryce proposed approval of reserves to cover any shortfall for planned expenditure, seconded Cllr Berriman

Votes in favour: Unanimous

Motion Carried

2122/080 Clerks Report-

The Clerk requested confirmation of councillors planning to attend the Community Governance presentation and questions virtual meeting to be held at 6pm on Tuesday 8 February 22.

Actions: Clerk to forward contact emails to SADC officers and contact the secretary and chair of the Resident Associations to invite a representative to attend the meeting
The Clerk was requested to issue a poll vote for a decision as to whether the Council will run the Armed Forces Day for the 2022 year with future years to be decided separately.

Meeting Closed at 8.15pm

Signed:

Date: