

## **Malmesbury Town Council**

### Minutes of the **Full Council Meeting**

Held in Malmesbury Town Hall on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 7.00pm.

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**Present;** Cllrs K Power, G Grant, W Jones, P Exton, S D'Arcy, C Doody, F Vandelli, L Wood, R Hastings, R.P. Jones, C Ritchie, S D'Arcy, P Exton

**Also present:** Lisa Dent (Deputy Town Clerk), Julie Bridges

**FC/22/121 To receive declarations of interest**

None received.

**FC/22/122 To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Cllrs F Smith, P Smith, R Sanderson.

**FC/22/123 To receive public questions on items of business included on the agenda**

None received.

**FC/22/124 To receive and adopt the minute of the Full Council meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> Sept 2022**

The Minutes were signed and approved as a correct record.

**FC/22/125 To receive and note the minutes of the Planning and Environment meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

The Minutes were received and noted.

**FC/22/126 To receive and note the minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

The Minutes were received and noted.

**FC/22/127 To receive and note the minutes of the Town Hall and Facilities meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

The Minutes were received and noted.

It was requested that a report or statement be made to demonstrate MTC's work and commitment to energy efficiency and it was agreed this would be possible.

**FC/22/128 To receive and note the minutes of the Community and Town Promotion Committee meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

The Minutes were received and noted.

**FC/22/129 To consider co-option to fill the remaining vacancy**

Julie Bridges had made an application for the remaining councillor vacancy. After addressing the council and leaving the Malting Hall, it was resolved by councillors present to agree to co-opt Julie Bridges as councillor to Malmesbury Town Council and Declaration of Acceptance of Office will be signed following this meeting. Julie Bridges then rejoined the Full Council meeting.

- FC/22/130 To appoint Cllr Wood to committees (requested P&E and C&TP)**  
Cllr Wood was appointed to both P&E and C&TP Committees.
- FC/22/131 To consider movement of the Triangle War Memorial**  
In the current position at The Triangle junction, the War memorial remains at significant risk of damage from vehicles. By repositioning the structure there is an opportunity to protect and maintain the Grade II listed monument and provide a spatially improved road junction. It would involve a loss of 2 parking spaces. It was agreed to continue feasibility, scoping work and consultation with Wiltshire Council highways and planning departments and the War Memorials Trust.
- FC/22/132 To consider additional expenditure of £1,560 for Parking Subsidy, last year £7918 and this year £9478 (agreed at P&E 04/10/22)**  
The expenditure was approved.
- FC/22/133 To consider MTC response to the draft Atkins Global report on CCTV attachments in Malmesbury**  
  
MTC agreed that as stated in the report, upgrade of lighting columns and other recommendations would be a necessary part of the CCTV installation project and expenditure would need to be allocated from budget.
- FC/22/134 To receive updates from representatives of Malmesbury Town Council from the following organisations;**
- Wiltshire Association of Local Councils and Society of Local Council Clerks**  
Nothing to report.
- Malmesbury Conservation Group**  
Verbal update on recent works to town banks and Nun's Walk.
- Malmesbury Town Team**  
Witch Trial 350 concludes this Friday, only a few tickets remain for this joint project with Malmesbury Live Arts. Currently exploring the possibility of rejuvenating the Malmesbury Gift Card, planning a meeting with the Great West Way and it has been confirmed several shops will be opening to 7 pm in the run up to Xmas this year.
- Malmesbury And District Twinning Association**  
Thanks to all Councillors who attended the recent Civic Function, the visitors were very impressed with the programme arranged for them. Mayor will write to thank the group.
- Operational Flood Group**  
Briefly tomorrow prior to the meeting with the Env Agency on Thursday to progress a flood relief scheme. Re flooding to Park Road, we do require a response regarding any action that can be taken and this will be pursued.
- Local Highways and Footpaths Improvements Group**  
Defer to next meeting.
- Local Youth Network Management Group**  
The Rise Trust is applying for funding and we have yet to meet the new Community Engagement Manager for our area.

## **Movies and Malmesbury**

Nothing to report.

## **Bus Service Improvement**

Nothing to report, there will be a meeting next week

## **Health and Wellbeing Forum**

Around 40 participants meet each quarter with a budget from Area Board of approx. £7K. Communita will take place around Xmas with entertainment provided by Celebrating Age Wiltshire. Currently looking at what can be achieved to help with the cost of living crisis such as support services, warm spaces and food/meals provision.

## **Malmesbury Climate Action Network (inc. Malmesbury Against Plastics)**

Repair Café continues and recently visited Sherston. Fruitful Malmesbury held an apple juicing day at Filands and this was well attended. Information has been received which may lead to an offer of community land in Malmesbury and the legal implications of this are being reviewed and further information will follow.

**FC/22/135**

## **To receive an update from Wiltshire Councillor Gavin Grant**

### **Wiltshire Council**

There is some degree of anxiety as WC looks to continue to provide high-quality services while mitigating the increased challenges brought on by inflation, the cost of living, and the changing national picture.

A 6 monthly update was given at Cabinet meeting re zero carbon target by 2030 available on the WC website.

Public tendering (3 organisations) for the highways contract is underway, recent meeting was undertaken with Head of Parking and Highways.

Parish Stewards will become a two-person team and therefore provide greater technical abilities.

Impact of winter is a concern and further information to follow on how information can be signposted and what support can be made available, linking in with organisations such as schools, foodbanks and other organisations.

### **Planning**

Bloor Homes will engage with MTC regarding the development which will now be one planning application.

Key points from the meeting include: a reduction in the overall number of houses, nursery repositioned near entrance and a multi-use space such as a community room which could be used for youth services, improved road infrastructure, agreement to create pathway to adjoining development, solar panels to be installed to properties where possible. The development is outside of our Neighbourhood Plan and the constructive engagement is a positive move forward.

### **Police and Crime**

Recent report of antisocial behaviour including theft and we expect announcement to be made regarding the individuals involved and we are grateful for the swift involvement of the police services.

The meeting closed at 9 p.m.