

## **Malmesbury Town Council**

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

Held in Malmesbury Town Hall on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 7.00pm.

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

**Also present:** Claire Mann (Town Clerk)

### Mayors Announcements

- Cllr Power reminded members of the invitation to the Nine lessons and Carols at the Abbey
- Cllr Power requested help from Councillors for CommuniTea on the 15<sup>th</sup> December

**FC/22/149 To receive declarations of interest**

None received.

**FC/22/150 To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Cllrs F Smith, E Whatton, R Hastings & J Bridges

**FC/22/151 To receive public questions on items of business included on the agenda**

None received.

**FC/22/152 To receive and adopt the minute of the Full Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

The Minutes were signed and approved as a correct record. Cllr Power reported that she and Cllr Grant had been invited to meet with the new police Inspector to discuss current issues in the new year.

**FC/22/153 To receive and note the minutes of the Planning and Environment meetings held on 25<sup>th</sup> October & 16<sup>th</sup> November**

The Minutes of both meetings were received and noted.

**FC/22/154 To receive and note the minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022**

The Minutes were received and noted.

**FC/22/155 To approve proposed 2023/24 budget from Policy & Resources (7<sup>th</sup> December 2022)**

Cllr Jones detailed discussion that had taken place at P&R on the 7<sup>th</sup> December from the circulated spread sheet. It was resolved that the precept request to be forwarded to Wiltshire Council is to be for £512,852.00.

**FC/22/156 To appoint member onto Planning & Environment Committee**

The Clerk was asked to contact new Councillors who were not in attendance if they would consider joining the Committee as there is often concern about quoracy.

**FC/22/157 To receive a verbal update on the Cross-Community Winter Support Programme**

Cllr Power reported that MVCAP has provided just under £2k funding for the initiative. Cllrs Grant and Power have had meetings with various stakeholder sin the Town and a grant application will be passed to the Carnival Committee for printed material to promote the programme. Cllr Grant extended thanks to Cllr Power for doubling the donation from the Mayoral Appeal to HEALS through the Big Give.

**FC/22/158 To receive updates from representatives of Malmesbury Town Council from the following organisations;**

**Wiltshire Association of Local Councils and Society of Local Council Clerks**

The Clerk had asked other Councils if they had ceased using Glyphosate, some had and some hadn't.

**Malmesbury Conservation Group**

No meeting has taken place recently.

**Malmesbury Town Team**

Cllr Ritchie stated that a re-launch of the gift card is being undertaken as there is now digital capability to load funds. The Town Centre action plan is also under review, guided Walks Around Malmesbury will resume again next year and a meeting is planned to take place in January of event organisers.

**Malmesbury And District Twinning Association**

Cllr Doody stated that trips are being organised for next year with the Twin Towns of Malmesbury and that a quiz will be held in January to raise funds.

**Operational Flood Group**

Cllr D'Arcy reported that progress is being made and that an application is being prepared to go to the Environment Agency for the Flood Alleviation Scheme.

**Local Highways and Footpaths Improvements Group**

Cllr Exton reported several issues have now been resolved in Malmesbury and that it is the intention of the Planning & Environment Committee to address dropped kerbs in the Town.

**Local Youth Network Management Group**

No update available

**Movies and Malmesbury**

Cllr D'Arcy reported that there had been a problem with the server and that a few films had to be cancelled, he is hoping that some S106 funding for Art Projects might be made available for Movies@Malmesbury. It is also hoped that a re-launch event for the Cinema will take place on the 17<sup>th</sup> April once the new seating is installed.

**Bus Service Improvement**

No further information at this stage.

**Health and Wellbeing Forum**

The update on this had taken place under item 9.

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

Cllr Vandelli reported that the Repair Café continues to meet and although Fruitful Malmesbury is quiet at this time of year, future projects are being worked on.

**FC/22/161 To receive an update from Wiltshire Councillor Gavin Grant**

**Wiltshire Council (WC)**

Cllr Grant reported that WC Cabinet met today and that the substantive development in Chippenham has been stopped. This will impact Malmesbury as the required housing

numbers in the area will not be met. The Planning Department at WC is in crisis due to lack of staff.

A Localities Manager will be appointed shortly and Cllr Grant suggested that a meeting with them should take place once in role. Thanks were expressed to the Mayor for her work on the Cross-Community Winter Support Programme.

Meeting closed at 8.12pm