

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Full Council, Yaxley Parish Council held in
Queens Park Hall, Daimler Avenue, Yaxley on 8th February 2022 at 7.00pm.**

Present:- Councillor R Butcher – Chairman;

Councillors D Chapman, B Doncaster, E Gilchrist, K Gulson, D Hitchcock, S McMullon, M Oliver, D Porteous, S Sanderson and A Wood.

In attendance – Mrs H Taylor (Clerk), District Councillor E Butler and one Member of the Public.

FC104. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received and accepted on behalf of Councillors A Knight, J Lusted, A Minns, G Needham and P Russell.

At the same time, it was noted that the Chairman of the Council had accepted the resignation of Sheila Wayland. Members were advised that where a vacancy occurs within six months before the day on which the Councillor whose office is vacant would regularly have retired, an election shall not be held (Section 89(3) of the Local Government Act 1972). Having considered whether to fill the vacancy by co-option for the period until the election, it was proposed by Councillor M Oliver, seconded by Councillor A Wood and unanimously **RESOLVED** that the vacancy remain vacant until the election on 5th May 2022.

FC105. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

FC106. MINUTES

Councillor A Wood proposed approval of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held 14th December 2021. This was seconded by Councillor D Chapman and **RESOLVED** unanimously.

FC107. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A Member of the Public expressed disappointment that Sheila Wayland had resigned from the Parish Council and then they left the room.

District Councillor E R Butler reported that he was corresponding with a resident regarding issues with the small roundabout at the top of Windsor Road, noise from a loose manhole cover on Broadway and concerns over the number of lorries travelling through the village. He also drew Members' attention to the likely disruption the Tour of Cambridgeshire closed road cycling event would have on the village as it was scheduled to be held on 3 to 5th June, which is the Bank Holiday weekend for the Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. He reported that he had made representation to the Head of Highways at Cambridgeshire County Council as had the Parish Clerk as there were a number of events planned for the village which the County were not aware of as they don't require a road closure but they will require access to the village.

Councillor D Porteous mentioned that a number of Chorus Homes residents were now being asked to pay maintenance for landscaping of areas of land owned by Chorus following a review of their land maintenance charges. Councillor Butler agreed to look into the matter.

FC108. COMMITTEE REPORT

PLANNING COMMITTEE

The draft Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 14th December 2021 were received and noted.

FC109. ARMED FORCES COVENANT

Consideration was given to the contents of the Armed Forces Covenant (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book). Having recognised the sacrifices made by Service Personnel and their families and the difficulties they often face, Councillor M Oliver proposed that the Parish Council signs up to the Armed Forces Covenant and promotes the fact that they are an Armed Forces-friendly Council. This was seconded by Councillor E Gilchrist and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

FC110. ACTION PLAN

The content of the latest Parish Council Action Plan for 2022/23 (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) was noted by Full Council.

FC111. BUDGET V ACTUAL

Members received and noted a budget monitoring report (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) showing the position of the budget as at 31st January 2022 compared to that agreed.

FC112. BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

Councillors received and noted the contents of the Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31st December 2021 and 31st January 2022 (copies of which are appended in the Minute Book).

FC113. ORDERS FOR PAYMENT

The schedule of payments made since the previous Full Council meeting, which included details of the purchase ledger cheques requiring payment, (copies of which is appended in the Minute Book) was proposed by Councillor B Doncaster, seconded by Councillor D Chapman and **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to be paid.

FC114. AWARD OF GRANTS FOR USE OF THE COUNCILS FACILITIES

With the aid of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) Members reviewed the list of clubs/organisations that are awarded grants for the use of the Council's facilities. The Clerk reported that an additional request had been received for the use of Queens Park hall for 3 sessions by Sprouting Out which would require a grant of £198. Subject to the inclusion of this additional grant, Councillor R Butcher proposed approval of the list of grants for 2022. This was seconded by Councillor D Hitchcock and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

FC115. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

Councillor K Gulson proposed approval of a schedule of meetings for the Municipal Year 2022/23 (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book). This was seconded by Councillor A Wood and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

FC116. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor K Gulson thanked all the volunteers that have helped at the Community Fridge over the year. The amount of surplus food redistributed via the fridge continues to grow with 19 tonnes of food distributed between April and December.

The Clerk reported that the Monday Morning Coffee Club had reopened at its new venue of Queens Park Hall and that the Repair Café would be relaunching on Sunday 6th March 2022 in the Pavilion.

Members noted that the new access road into the industrial units on the former Mushroom Farm site would be called Enterprise Way.

Meeting closed at 7.40pm

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Signed

Chairman.