

HAYDON WICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Haydon Wick Parish Council held on Tuesday 25th January 2022 at 7.30pm held at Parish Council Offices, Thames Avenue, Swindon, SN25 1QQ.

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS: Councillors V Manro (Chairman), D Rodgers (Vice Chairman) S Heyes, R Hailstone, J Jackson, A John, S McDermott, E Baker Lee
L Rhys-Jones, B Patrick-Okoh, R Ross, L Brown, S Fateru, S Callen, A Roupelis and R Venkatesh

OFFICERS: Chief Officer & RFO, Georgina Morgan-Denn
Deputy Clerk & Services Manager, Laura Cutter
Senior Administrator, Jill Sharp

FC 174 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor J Fuller (Personal Commitments) and Councillor K T Naik (Work Commitments). Councillor D Rodgers will be late to the meeting.

FC 175 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor V Manro declared an interest in Agenda Item 8, Parish Deeds due to being involved in discussions on the Swindon Borough Council. Councillor V Manro left the meeting whilst the item was being discussed.

FC 176 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present.

FC 177 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

FC 178 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Members confirmed as a true record the minutes of meeting held on 14th December 2021.

Proposed: Councillor L Brown Seconded: Councillor S McDermott

Vote: Agreed with four (4) abstentions.

RESOLVED: Members confirmed as a true record the minutes of meetings held on Tuesday 14th December 2021 and the Chairman signed the minutes.

FC 179 DRAFT 2022-23 BUDGET & PRECEPT

Members fully discussed and approved the draft 2022-23 budget and precept charge of £906,530.62 as presented. This an increase in percentage terms of 4.9% or an additional £5.88 per year based on a Band D household. Total per year for a Band D household will be £100.86 or £8.36 per month, £1.93 per week and 27p per day).

Proposed: Councillor L Rhys Jones Seconded: Councillor B Patrick-Okoh

Vote: Agreed Unanimously

RESOLVED: Members noted and approved the draft 2022-23 budget and precept charge of £906,530.62 as presented. This an increase in percentage terms of 4.9% or an additional £5.88 per year based on a Band D household. Total per year for a Band D household will be £100.86 or £8.36 per month, £1.93 per week and 27p per day).

FC 180 RESERVES POLICY

Members received, discussed and approved the recommendation from Finance & Policy Committee to the updates for the Reserves Policy for the 2022-23 financial year.

Proposed: Councillor L Rhys Jones Seconded: Councillor L Brown

Vote: Agreed with one (1) abstention.

RESOLVED: Members approved the recommendation from Finance & Policy Committee to updates for the Reserves Policy for the 2022-23 financial year, as presented.

19.47 Councillor D Rodgers joined the meeting.

19.49 Councillor V Manro left the meeting and Councillor Rhys-Jones presented the Parish Transfer of Services Deed agenda item.

FC 181 PARISH TRANSFER OF SERVICES DEED

Members noted, discussed, and agreed the amendments to Schedule 1 A (Functions and Services) revised proposal amendments recommended by Parks and Open Spaces Committee on 11th January 2022 subject to clarification from Swindon Borough Council (SBC) that item 2.12 on the agreement that Swindon Borough Council does not receive income for the collection of shopping trolleys. *Action: Chief Officer to report back following meeting with Swindon Borough Council.*

Proposed: Councillor R Hailstone Seconded: Councillor E Baker Lee

Vote: Agreed Unanimously.

RESOLVED: Members agreed the amendments to Schedule 1 A (Functions and Services) revised proposal amendments recommended by Parks and Open Spaces Committee on 11th January 2022 subject to clarification from Swindon Borough Council (SBC) on item 2.12; income from the collection of abandoned shopping trolleys.

19.57 Councillor V Manro returned to the meeting.

FC 182 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Members were asked to send any items for the Full Council meeting on the 22nd February 2022 to the Chief Officer as soon as possible.

FC 183 PLAY AREA TENDERS: OVERSPEND

Members received a verbal update from the Deputy Clerk and members of the Play Area Working Party on the additional costs associated with Gaynor Close Play Area. Following the recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces (POS) Committee, the additional charges invoice was referred to the contactor advising that this was due to their errors and itemised issues previously raised. The Committee have made a counteroffer to the contractor to meet half of the costs. Members noted the final cost for the projects have not been settled. Deputy Clerk (DC) advised that to date, no response has been received and will report back at a future meeting. *Action: Deputy Clerk will report back at a future meeting.*

The meeting closed at 20.09.

Chairman _____

Initials _____