

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 26th October 2022 at 19:00 at Great Linford Parish Office

Present: Councillors: Nixon (Chair), Widdowson, Nicholls, Harvey, Heale, El Zamek, Janicka, Brindley and Burgess.

Also present: Parish Manager, two residents.

1. Welcome and attendance register
The Chair welcomed all in attendance.
2. Members' apologies for absence
Cllrs Kupczyk and Mackenzie have provided valid apologies. This was proposed as accepted by Cllr Nicholls and seconded by Cllr Janicka and all voted in favour. RESOLVED
3. Declarations of members interest
There were no declarations made.
4. Public Question Time
Questions had been received by a resident in advance. The Chair closed the meeting at 19:01. The Parish Manager provided the reply to the questions raised. Supplementary questions were answered. Parish Manager confirmed the answers would be added to Additional Information on the website for this meeting. The Chair reopened the meeting at 19:07.
5. Minutes of the previous meeting -
5.1. It was proposed by Cllr Nixon and seconded by Cllr Heale that the minutes of the last meeting held on 5 th October 2022 are a true record, all voted in favour. RESOLVED
5.2. In respect of the outstanding item 221005 FC item 5.5, Cllr Nixon proposed that the grant for the Friday Group would not be granted. Instead, this group along with others would be invited to lunch event in the New Year. This was seconded by Cllr Burgess and voted as all in favour. RESOLVED
6. Budget timetable
The Chair reconfirmed the timetable and provided Cllrs with an explanation of the outcome of each of the meetings. There were no questions raised.
7. Committee minutes
<u>Personnel Committee</u>
7.1. It was proposed by Cllr Widdowson and seconded by Cllr Harvey that the draft minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held on 3 rd October 2022 were reflective of the committee's remit. This was voted as all in favour. RESOLVED

Community Services Committee

7.2. It was proposed by Cllr Heale and seconded by Cllr Nicholls that the draft minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 10th October 2022 were reflective of the committee's remit. This was voted as 9 for, 0 against and 1 abstention. **RESOLVED**

8. Finances transactions

8.1. October's Finance Report and payments – The October finances were reviewed by Cllrs Harvey and Kupczyk. Cllr Harvey proposed acceptance of the report and payments, this was seconded by Cllr Burgess and voted as all in favour. **RESOLVED**

Updates

9. Section 106 projects

Chair noted that with the relevant amendments to be made as discussed in Public Question time and with no further questions he proposed that the Project Board Terms of Reference for the S106 projects should be accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Burgess and voted as all in favour. **RESOLVED**

10. General Power of Competence (GPOC) and Cllr Recruitment

A presentation was provided by the Parish Manager to explain the General Power of Competence and implications for the elections next year. The information was provided to help council understand the value of GPOC and the steps required to achieve this.

Parish Manager was asked to confirm two aspects.

1. If agreed at the Annual Parish Council meeting and the eligibility changes is the power lost immediately
2. Does a review of the requirements have to be made before the Annual Parish Council meeting
3. Cllr Widdowson requested that this be an agenda item in February 2022

11. Thames valley Police

Chair identified the concerns with the lack of Neighbourhood policing in the area, coupled with anecdotal evidence of raising petty crime.

It was agreed that Cllr Burgess, Cllr Heale (if available) and Cllr Nixon as a substitute, would meet with the Parish Manager and representatives of Thames Valley Police and the Police Commissioner. The MP and Ward Cllrs would be copied in and invited.

This was proposed by Cllr Nixon, seconded by Cllr Burgess and voted as all in favour. **RESOLVED**

12. Climate Change

Cllr Heale attended the Climate Change Conference run by BALC. He provided an update. He had gathered information but required time to research how other parishes were implementing practical solutions / actions. He would report back to Council/ committee as appropriate. **ACTION**

Cllr Widdowson asked that Cllr Heale determine the budgetary implications of any actions or innovations that others had successfully implemented. **ACTION**

13. Recognition Event

Cllr Mackenzie was not in attendance, but the Chair took the opportunity to thank all the Cllrs who attended this event and in particular; Cllrs Widdowson, Harvey, Nicholls and Mackenzie.

He noted that the fact that all nominees getting a token of thanks was a positive factor with those few going above and beyond being awarded further.

He acknowledged that there were opportunities to learn and improve.

ACTION

14. Operational updates

14.1. Presentation was provided to Council to detail some of the activities results and outcomes over the last few months.

There were several questions/comments raised by Councillors.

Reporting issues (waste or highways). Parish Manager reminded all Cllrs that they could report any issue to MKCC through the Report It system
[Report it | Milton Keynes City Council \(milton-keynes.gov.uk\)](https://milton-keynes.gov.uk/report-it)

If issues were not resolved Cllrs were asked to report them to glpc@great-linford.gov.uk with photos and FS numbers. **ACTION**

Cllrs were also asked to identify areas in their wards where “useful” paths were dirty, muddy and over grown. Report them with photos to glpc email address.

ACTION

14.2. Training – Cllrs were reminded of the training and development policy and their requirement to completed 3 events a year.

Parish Manager offered to conduct any in house training on any topic if Cllrs were so minded

Parish Manager would upload the Training log to the Teams Full Council Folder. **ACTION**

15. Next meeting and event dates

The following dates were noted:

15.1. 14th November Finance governance and asset Committee meeting

15.2. 19th November Litter pick in Redhouse Park

15.3. 30th November Full Council Meeting

15.4. 5th December Personnel Committee meeting – the be held at Giffard Park

15.5. 12th December Community Services Committee meeting

15.6. 14th December Full Council Budget meeting

The meeting was closed at 20:16

Chair _____

Date _____