

Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council held on Monday 03 July 2023 at 7.30pm at the Heelands Meeting Place on Glovers Lane in Heelands, MK13 7LW.

Councillors Present: Gilpin (in the Chair), Alexander, Bradburn, Brant, Davy, Exon

Staff Present: Philip Farquharson (Clerk)

Members of the public: 7

FC43/23 Apologies: Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Evans and Godfrey, who were on holiday. This was voted on and met with unanimous approval. It was resolved therefore to accept the apologies.

FC44/23 Declaration of interests: Councillors Bradburn and Davy declared an interest in item FC52/23 in that they were trustees of the charitable trusts and both would abstain from voting for that agenda item. Cllr Bradburn declared an interest in that she was on the Church Steering Group and would abstain from voting at agenda item FC56/23.

FC45/23 Public participation: It was on the agenda for any resident of the parish to raise any issue, petition, question or concern. The following matters were raised:

- drug dealing and anti-social behaviour at the bench on Common Lane in Heelands.
- other members of the public were there as prospective Parish Councillors (x2), and to represent the organizations who had applied for a grant, at agenda items FC50/23 and FC51/23.

FC46/23 Minutes of the June Full Council Meeting:

After a minor amendment a vote was held to adopt the minutes as an accurate record of the proceedings of the Meeting held on 05 June 2023:

Those who voted in favour: 6

Action: It was resolved to approve as an accurate record the Minutes of the Meeting held on 05 June 2023, and these were signed by the Chair for the Council's records.

FC47/23 Payments:

Action: The current bank balance of £70,800.34 and savings account balance of £14,876.32 as at 23 June 2023 was noted and a screenshot of bank statements had been provided on page 6 in the paperwork. The payment schedule had been submitted on page 7 of the paperwork. The payment schedule of monthly bills and expenses was

approved, noting the CCTV amount was given gross of VAT and that utility bills varied month to month but would be scrutinized at the forthcoming Finance and Staffing Committee. Each utility provider now had its' own accounting line (they each related to provision of a different utility at a different location, either the offices or the Heelands Meeting Place or the Feeder Pillar in Bradwell Common), and so they could now be monitored and scrutinized whereas previously they were all amalgamated and so couldn't be scrutinized.

FC48/23 Appeal by allotment plot holder: It was on the agenda to consider whether to uphold or repeal the notice to quit plot 26b at the St Lawrence allotment site, and the Clerk had passed on the email to Councillors from the tenant requesting the notice to quit be appealed, including the reasons given.

A motion was tabled to uphold the notice to quit:

Those in favour: 6

Action: It was resolved therefore to uphold the notice to quit and the Clerk would pass this information back to the plotholder.

FC49/23 KGF consultation response: It was on the agenda to note responses from the community consultation and agree a brief for tenders based on feedback. Councillors noted the positive feedback, agreed the brief should include a budget of £100,000 and with metallic equipment rather than natural. The Clerk would submit the brief for tenderers and report back in due course.

FC50/23 YMCA grant application for £1250:

A motion was proposed to grant £500 to the YMCA:

Those who vote in favour: 6

Action: It was resolved to give £500.

FC51/23 Grant action4youth for £1,000:

A motion was tabled not to grant any money to Action4Youth as the sum required was extremely small relative to a very large project needing over £1m and with likely little tangible benefit to residents of the parish.

Those who voted in favour: 6

Action: It was resolved not to approve the request and not give any money to the organization.

FC52/23 Grant application for charitable trusts:

A motion was proposed to give £1,000 as requested, to the charities, in order to assist them in paying their legal costs of compiling deeds of appointment and retirement in order to satisfy the bank's requirements to appoint new signatories.

Those in favour: 4

Those who abstained from voting: 2

Action: The motion passed and the Clerk would pay the charity the £1,000 to cover the legal bill as requested.

FC53/23 Bradwell Sports and Social Club electrical quotes: It was on the agenda to consider which quote to accept to satisfy electrical compliancy requirements.

A motion was tabled to approve the FireandElectrical estimate of £3,548 - £4,585.

Those in favour: 6

Action: The Clerk would enact this to make the premises compliant.

FC54/23 Bradwell Bowls Club: It was on the agenda to consider quotes to satisfy electrical compliancy requirements and fire safety assessment quotes.

A motion was tabled to pay the cost of £296 for the fire risk assessment.

Those in favour: 6

Action: The Clerk would inform the Bowls club that the Parish Council had resolved to pay for the risk assessment.

A motion was tabled to approve the cost of electrical work at the premises:

Those in favour: 3. Councillors Alexander, Bradburn and Davy.

Those against: 3. Councillors Brant, Gilpin and Exon.

Action: The vote was recorded. The Chair used his casting vote against conducting the electrical work and so the motion failed and the Parish Council resolved not pay for electrical compliancy work to be done.

The Clerk cautioned that one way or another the premises ought to be compliant in terms of electricity.

FC55/23 Advertising, Social Media and Promotions Policy:

Action: Cllr Davy and the Clerk would reconsider the draft policy and bring it back to the September Full Council meeting, after minor amendments had been made.

FC56/23 Church Steering Group 800 year celebration request for use of land:

A motion was tabled to consider allowing use the Glebe Field for the summer fete.

Those in favour: 5

Those who abstained from voting: 1

Action: It was resolved to approve this, and the Clerk was asked to communicate with Ed Fisher at MKCC to inform him the Steering Group would be holding an event in August on the Glebe Field.

FC57/23 New litter bin on Common Lane, Heelands:

Action: This item was deferred.

FC58/23 Bradwell Memorial Hall: It was noted the Parish Council was now sole trustee of the Bradwell Memorial Hall Charitable Trust, and the Clerk was congratulated for facilitating this.

A motion was proposed to consider paying all bills and costs and receive all rent until the Council has banking access to the trust bank account.

Those in favour: 6

Action: The Parish Council would pay all bills into the Lloyds Parish Council account, and receive all rent, until the Clerk had access to the Barclays charitable trust account.

FC59/23 Planning Applications: It was on the agenda for Councillors to consider making representation to MKC on planning applications:

 a) Application no: 23/01213/HOU Proposal: Demolition of the existing rear conservatory and the erection of a single storey rear extension At: 7 Coppin Lane Bradwell Milton Keynes MK13 9BQ

Action: It was resolved not to object to this application.

 Application no: 23/01361/DISCON Proposal: Approval of details required by condition 4 (Historic Environment Record) of permission ref. 23/00674/HOU At: 6 Chesham Avenue Bradwell Common Milton Keynes MK13 8DJ

Action: It was resolved not to object to this application.

c) Application no: 23/01270/COU Proposal: Change of use from class C3 (residential) to 5-bedroom class C4 (HMO) At: 184 Bradwell Common Boulevard Bradwell Common Milton Keynes MK13 8AB

Action: It was resolved to object to this application on the grounds of over concentration of HMOs in the area and Cllr Brant and the Clerk would compile the objection letter.

FC60/23 Co-option of new Councillors: It was on the agenda for Councillors to consider the two applicants for co-option to the Parish Council.

A motion was proposed to co-opt David Stuchbury:

Those in favour: 6

Action: David Stuchbury was co-opted in and would sign the declaration of acceptance of office after the meeting.

A motion was proposed to co-opt Darron Kendrick as Bradwell Parish Councillor:

Those in favour: 5

Those who abstained from voting: 1

Action: It was resolved therefore that Darron Kendrick was also co-opted to join the Council and would sign the declaration of acceptance of office after the meeting.

Date and time of next meeting: Monday 11 September 2023 at 7:30pm at the Heelands Meeting Place.

The Meeting was declared closed at 9:45pm.