

LYTCHETT MINSTER & UPTON TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the **TOWN COUNCIL** was held on **TUESDAY** the **21 June 2022** in the Council Chamber, 1 Moorland Parade, Moorland Way at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs M Pryor in the Chair
 Councillor M Chase
 Councillor F H Drane
 Councillor S McKell
 Councillor D Wilson
 Councillor J Sheldon
 Councillor W T Pipe
 Councillor R Griffin
 Councillor P Thompson

Also in attendance: Mrs K Cane, Town Clerk
 Mrs S Samways, Admin Officer
 Dorset Councillor A Starr

45/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

46/22 APOLOGIES: Councillor R Burns (family commitments)
 Dorset Councillor Mrs A Brenton (other Council meeting)
 Mrs K Osborne, Deputy Town Clerk (unwell)

47/22 MINUTES: of the Town Council meeting held on the 15 March 2022 as circulated were confirmed and signed after an amendment to remove former Cllr Brooks from 07/22 Appointment of Committees (Amenities and Environment).

CLERKS REPORT:

- a. **Minute 123/18 To discuss the renewal of the lease of the Recreation Ground.** The Turbary Trust has been advised it is now down to them to facilitate a lease between them and the CIO. The Council has given advice and support as to how they may wish to move forward. The CIO Trustees have been encouraged to get together to discuss how they will operate, and what, if any resources they will need from the Council and to put any proposal regarding a Service Level Agreement to the Town Council for consideration. At time of writing a meeting has been scheduled for the CIO to meet on 14 July 22.
- b. **Lytchett Minster and associated access roads to Lytchett Minster School.** No further information. The Cycling Officer has sent over a copy of his presentation which is available to members on request. The 30 mph request between exiting Lytchett Minster and rejoining at the top of the flyover bridge has not been received favourably.

- c. **Minute 61/20 Footpath Junction of Dorchester Road and Huntick Road to Courtyard Centre.**
No further information.
- d. **Minute 34/21 Street Light Upgrades** A quotation is still awaited.
- e. **Minute 48/21 Flooding in Lytchett Minster and Upton.**
We are advised this work is on a list.
- f. **Minute 14/22 To establish a working party to undertake a review of council governance structure, committees and associated terms of reference.** Progress is being made, with two meetings now having taken place. Cllr Pipe, as Chair of the Working Party to provide a verbal update.

49/22 CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence was received.

50/22 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- a) The report of the Amenities Committee held on 31 May 2022 as circulated
was confirmed, adopted and signed.
- b) The report of the Planning Committee held on 7 June 2022 as circulated
was confirmed, adopted and signed.

51/22 REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS (INCLUDING DORSET COUNCIL MEMBERS/LUBA/UPTON TOGETHER/UPTON IN BLOOM:

Dorset Councillor Brenton – see report attached

Dorset Councillor Pipe – see report attached. Cllr Griffin congratulated Cllr Pipe on his efforts to re-instate Youth services in Upton.

Councillor Griffin – verbal report on behalf of Upton in Bloom.

Councillor McKell – verbal report on behalf of Upton Together

52/22 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM DORSET COUNCIL OFFICER CHRIS PECK (WALKING/CYCLING OFFICER) UPDATING ON TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AROUND SCHOOLS:

A long discussion took place around the issues in Lytchett Minster. CP gave a detailed presentation to members on the background and rationale to the introduction of cycle lanes along Dorchester Road, Lytchett Minster and the removal of the white central line marking.

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52/22 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM DORSET COUNCIL OFFICER CHRIS PECK (WALKING/CYCLING OFFICER) UPDATING ON TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AROUND SCHOOLS: (cont)

Councillors voiced their strong views around both issues, citing witnessed examples of dangerous driving and near misses as a result of the removed central white line.

It was agreed that:

1. Dorset Council to give consideration to re-installing the central white line from just before the bend where you enter the village from Upton to the front of the former post office.
2. The schematic to introduce a central reservation for school children on cycles to cross safely to be progressed and members felt that this was a safer option.
3. Feedback was given that there was not enough prior consultation or education on the scheme before it was implemented. Dorset Council were asked to take this on board for future schemes elsewhere in the County.
4. A formal request to Dorset Council to make the speed limit from the Bakers Arms to Upton 30 mph in total and remove the 40 mph section.

53/22 TO FORMALLY DECLARE LYTCHETT BAY VIEW A LOCAL NATURE RESERVE:

Members had been issued a copy of the Declaration and it was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED to declare Lytchett Bay View as a Local Nature Reserve.

Congratulations and thanks were proposed to the Clerk for six years of hard work to achieve this status.

54/22 TO CONSIDER A MOTION FROM CLLR J SHELDON THAT 'COUNCILLORS CAN BE SUPPLIED PAPER COPIES FOR MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES ON REQUEST, COLLECTED OR POSTED FROM THE COUNCIL:

It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED that this motion be accepted.

55/22 TO RECEIVE QUOTATIONS TO RE-CARPET THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES AT 1 MOORLAND PARADE AND SELECT A PREFERRED CONTRACTOR TO CARRY OUT THE WORK:

It was It was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED to accept the lowest cost quotation of £2,884 submitted by Contractor 1.

56/22 TO RECEIVE THE LATEST FINANCIAL SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS:

This was reviewed by the Council and it was proposed, seconded and

RESOLVED that the financial summary of accounts be approved.

Cllr F H Drane requested that his disappointment and frustration at the length of time it was taking to improve The Grove Building due to the lease issues, be noted.

Cllr Pipe left the meeting at this point.

57/22 TO APPROVE ACCOUTS FOR PAYMENT FOR JUNE 2022 UP TO DAY OF MEETING AND A FULL MAY 2022 PAYMENT LIST:

It was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the accounts for payment as presented be approved.

58/21 ITEMS OF REPORT (INCLUDING PUBLICITY OPPORTUNTIES) AND MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS.

1. Cllr Drane requested that the proposed extension to Upton Library be added to the next agenda for discussion. Cllr Drane agreed to forward any plans/drawings to the clerk.
2. Cllr Mrs Pryor reported her attendance at a civic service at Lady St Mary’s Church, Wareham.
3. Cllr Griffin reported weed spraying required at resurfaced Meadows Close. The office to report to Dorset Council.
4. Cllr Griffin advised the date of Britain In Bloom judging is Wednesday 12 July. Keep Upton Tidy will complete a mini litterpick of the route on 11 July. All hands welcome at The Clocktower on 6 July for a final tidy up weeding event.
5. Cllr Griffin reported the public drinking water dispenser should be installed at the Clocktower by the end of July.

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 8.50.

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