



Minutes of the of Credition Town Council Meeting held on Tuesday 09 August 2022 at 19.00 at Old Landscore School, Greenway, Credition

Present: Cllrs E Brookes-Hocking, J Downes, J Harris, M Szabo, F Letch, N Letch, D Ross and S Huxtable

Apologies: Cllrs G Cochran, G Fawssett, J Cairney and S Chenore

In Attendance: R Avery, Town Clerk

2208/059 Public Question Time

There were no members of the public in attendance.

2208/060 To receive and accept apologies

It was **resolved** to receive and accept apologies from Cllrs Cochran, Fawssett, Cairney and Chenore. (Proposed by Cllr Huxtable).

2208/061 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs F Letch and Downes declared that as members of more than one authority, that any views or opinions expressed at this meeting would be provisional and would not prejudice any views expressed at a meeting of another authority.

Cllr Brookes-Hocking declared an interest in item 2208/067, order ENV5935-22 (Fordton) due to knowing a resident in the area.

2208/062 Order of Business

There were no changes to the order of business.

2208/063 Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements

Cllr Brookes-Hocking reported on the following NALC events – Working Between the Tiers on 28 September and the Autumn Conference taking place on 07 November with a theme of empowering communities.

It was noted that the Credition Neighbourhood Plan Referendum is set for Thursday 22 September 2022.

The Town Clerk reported on two items that had been raised by a member of the public, which she would investigate further by the Planning and Town Strategy Committee:

- Emergency one-way diversion around Credition when a major incident closes the High Street
- Integration of young people living at new home in Newcombes.

Cllr N Letch left the meeting at 19.11

2208/064 Town Council Minutes

It was **resolved** to approve and sign the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 19 July 2022 as a correct record. (Proposed by Cllr F Letch).

Cllr N Letch re-joined the meeting at 19.13

- 2208/065 To resolve to amend policies of the council to reflect gender neutral terminology, amending Chairman and Vice Chairman to Chair and Vice Chair**
Consideration was given to the amendment of the name Chairman and Vice Chairman. It was **resolved** not to amend policies to reflect gender neutral terminology. (Proposed by Cllr Harris, Cllr Brookes-Hocking voted against).
- 2208/066 To receive the report on the construction of the outbuilding to the rear of the Bungalow and to approve the recommendation therein**
It was **resolved** to approve the recommendation of £750 being allocated to the construction of the outbuilding. (Proposed by Cllr Harris)
- 2208/067 To receive information regarding Devon County Council (Mid Devon HATOC) (Traffic Regulation) Amendment order for Crediton and to agree a response**
Consideration was given to the individual locations:
ENV5935-16 and 17 (George Hill South and North) - It was **resolved** to recommend approval of (i) the east side from its junction with Alexandra Road for a distance of 24 metres in a northerly direction and (iii) the west side from a point 6 metres north of its junction with Alexandra Road for a distance of 17 metres in a northerly direction, but to recommend refusal of (ii) the north-east side from a point 4 metres north-west of its junction with George Hill (northern spur) for a distance of 55 metres in a north-westerly direction, as the road is wide enough to allow for parking in this area. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).
ENV5935-18 (Dokkum Road) – It was **resolved** to recommend approval of the order. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking).
ENV5935-19 (Albert Road) – It was **resolved** to delegate a decision to the Town Clerk and Mayor once Kenwyn Residential Home have been contacted regarding the decision. (Proposed by Cllr F Letch).
ENV5935-20 (Commonmarsh Lane) – It was **resolved** to recommend approval of the order a, but that removal of all abandoned vehicles in the area would be preferred, and for the Town Clerk to contact Sandford Orchards regarding the proposal. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking).
ENV5935-21 (Peoples Park Road) – It was **resolved** to recommend approval of the north side restrictions, but that the south side proposal should be reduced by 10m at the Deep Lane junction to ensure some parking spaces are retained. (Proposed by Cllr Brookes-Hocking).
ENV5935-22 (Fordton Cross – Station Cross) – It was **resolved** to recommend refusal due to the displacement of vehicles and lack of parking provision in this area. (Proposed by Cllr Harris, Cllr Brookes-Hocking abstained from voting).
- 2208/068 To receive the report on ‘Citizen Award’ badges and to approve the recommendations therein**
It was **resolved** to approve the report and that the Citizen Award Policy with amendments. (Proposed by Cllr Huxtable).
- 2208/069 To receive reports from Town Councillors (for information only)**
Cllr Szabo reported that the Friends of the Railway would like further flower containers, having received a quote for two more at £1600.00. The Friends of Crediton Railway Station have £800, but he has said that they can apply to the town council for a grant.

He reported that DCC are issuing notices to remove vehicles from the Park and Ride car park and some fly tipping has been removed. The future plan for the Park and Ride is for DCC to transfer ownership to GWR. It was **noted** that Joseph Locke Way is part owned by Tesco and Network Rail will be transferred in part to DCC to enable them to adopt the road. It was agreed that further consideration was given to Fordton, as much of the parking is unacceptable for pedestrians.

Cllr Downes reported that the Lidl application has been approved with conditions. It was noted that the Town Clerk would contact the Planning Officer regarding the opportunity to discuss conditions prior to their discharge.

Cllr N Letch advertised a photo exhibition taking place on 19-20 August regarding the Ukraine War. She also stated that Ukrainian Independence Day is on 24 August, with celebrations taking place in Exeter. She reported on the Holiday Club at Crediton Congregational Church taking place between 10-12 August.

Cllr F Letch reported that the Leader of DCC is forecasting a £30m overspend, with the County Council Locality Fund being stopped. He provided a brief report on there being 711 registered potholes with £181,000 being given to motorists in compensation.

Cllr Brookes-Hocking raised concerns around increased anti-social behaviour in Newcombes Meadow. She highlighted the importance of reporting any issues, so that agencies and authorities are aware. MDDC have a useful antisocial behaviour toolkit online and they can be contacted on 01884 255255.

- 2208/070 To note the date of the next meeting – Tuesday 13 September 2022**
The date of the next meeting was noted. The meeting was closed at 20.37.

PART TWO

- 2208/071 It is recommended that under section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items as it involves the likely disclosure of sensitive and confidential information**

- 2208/072 To consider and approve the proposed recipient of a Citizen Award**
Consideration was given to the proposed recipient, and it was **resolved** to approve the nomination. (Proposed by Cllr Szabo).

Signed

Chairman

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