

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF BERSTED COUNCIL
HELD AT BERSTED JUBILEE HALL, CHALCRAFT LANE, BERSTED
AT 18:30 ON TUESDAY 14th DECEMBER 2021.**

Present: Cllrs R. Dear, P. Hastings, K. Greenway, W. Kapp, D. Lainchbury, M. Lury, J. Spencer (Chairman), D. Thompson (Vice Chairman), J. Warr-Chapman, M. Warr-Chapman and G. Yeates.

Mrs D. Holcombe (Clerk/RFO) and Mrs S. O'Connell (Deputy Clerk)

In attendance: 0 members of the public.

21297 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Collins and Outen

21298 Declarations of Interests

None

21299 Public Session

None

21300 Minutes of the Council of 9th November 2021

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Council of 9th November 2021, having been circulated in advance, be taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

21301 Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

21302 Reports from County & District Councillors

County Councillors

C. Cllr Greenway's report had been circulated to Members. Questions from members were invited. Cllr Yeates asked whether the TRO at Oldlands Way would affect the queues that build up by McDonalds. Cllr Greenway informed her that the TRO was towards B&M and Kwikfit and was to prevent lorries parking in the road. Cllr Lainchbury asked when the footpath from Lidl to Oldlands Way would be finished. Cllr Greenway informed him that the issue was with cabling too near the surface and SSE and Lidl contractors were in the process of sorting it out.

District Councillors

D. Cllr M. Lury's report was circulated to members and is appended to these minutes.

D. Cllr Mrs G. Yeates informed members that due to personal issues she has not attended meetings at Arun recently. She has been working with residents at Bersted Green Court to help solve issues there and is pleased that there is new boiler system being fitted.

21303 Financial Matters**a) To approve the Income and Expenditure report for November 2021**

The November Income and Expenditure Report had previously been circulated to all members.

RESOLVED to approve the Income and Expenditure for November 2021. A signed copy of the Statement of Receipts and Payments is appended to the signed copy of these Minutes.

b) To approve the November 2021 Income & Expenditure Report for the Community Projects Account (HSBC)

RESOLVED to approve the Income & Expenditure Report for the Community Projects Account (HSBC).

c) Approve the Finance Committees recommendation to increase our I.T reserves commitment by a £1,000 to £4,500.

RESOLVED to approve the increase to the I.T. Reserves by £1,000 to bring the total to £4,500.

21304 Approve Final Budget for 22-23 (Finance Chairman item).**a) Approve the Budget for 22-23 -as recommended by F&GP Committee on the 23rd November 2021 for a precept request of £140,000.**

OR

b) Approve and accept the budget amendment proposed by Cllr Lainchbury and Cllr Greenway for a precept request of £131,009.

Cllr Lainchbury explained the reason for proposing an amended budget to Council as an alternative to that agreed by the Finance Committee.

Members discussed the Final Budget and agreed to accept the amended Budget as proposed by Cllrs Lainchbury and Greenway.

RESOLVED to approve the amended budget proposed by Cllrs Lainchbury and Greenway for a precept request of £131,009 for 2022-2023.

21305 Reports**a) Chairman**

Cllr Spencer's summary had previously been circulated and is appended to these minutes.

b) Vice Chairman

Cllr Thompson's summary had been circulated and is appended to these minutes.

c) Clerk/RFO

The Clerk/RFO's summary had previously been circulated and is appended to these minutes.

d) Deputy Clerk

The Deputy Clerks report had previously been circulated and is appended to these minutes.

e) Reports from other Councillors

Cllr Lainchbury informed members that a new Facebook page had been set up called Bersted Matters.

21306 Committee Minutes**a) To note the Minutes of the Community Resources Committee held on 19th November 2021.**

No questions were raised by members.

RESOLVED to note the Minutes of the Community Resources Committee held on 18th November 2021.

b) To note the Minutes of the Finance and General Purpose Committee held on 23rd November 2021.

No questions were raised by members.

RESOLVED to note the Minutes of the Finance and General-Purpose Committee of 23rd November 2021.

c) To note the Minutes to the Planning Amenities and Environment Committee held on 7th December 2021.

No questions were raised by members.

Cllr Lury declared an interest as Vice Chairman of Arun DC Planning Committee.

RESOLVED to note the Minutes to the Planning Amenities and Environment Committee of 7th December 2021.

21307 Bognor Regis Rotary Club Approve the recommendation of the Community Resources Committee to work together on future projects in Bersted with the Rotary Club.

RESOLVED to agree the recommendation of the Community Resources Committee to work on future projects in Bersted with Bognor Regis Rotary Club.

21308 January Meeting Reminders

- a) Planning Committee 7pm, 04.01.22.
- b) Forward Plan & Personnel 11am, 06.01.22.
- c) Council 7pm, 11.01.22.
- d) Infrastructure 11am, 07.01.22.
- e) Community Resources 7pm, 18.01.22.
- f) Finance Committee 7pm, 25.01.22.

Clerk/RFO reminded all attending the Infrastructure Meeting that this is now in the main hall here on Friday 7th January at 11am. Along with a reminder to Cllr Dear to attend via zoom the AiRS meeting on 16.12.21 at 5pm, and Cllr Hastings to attend via zoom the ADALC meeting on 19.01.22 at 7pm.

21309 Correspondence

The Clerk informed members that she had received confirmation from Tesco that the Parish application for a community grant had been shortlisted and shoppers at Tesco could vote by using the token they are given at the checkout. Voting is open in Tesco stores and Tesco Express from January 2022 until March 2022.

21310 Urgent Matters

None.

Cllr Spencer thanked all members for their work over the last year and wished everyone a Happy Christmas and New Year.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:35

SignedChairman

Date