



**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Community & Environment Committee
held as a virtual meeting on Microsoft Teams
At 7.00pm on Tuesday 22nd March 2022**

Those Present:

Members with voting rights:

Town Mayor; Cllr Johanna Maitland (JM)

Cllrs: Ken Edwards (KE), Roland Edwards (RE), James Nicholas (JN)

Town Clerk: Julie Mason

Chair: Cllr Johanna Maitland

Public:

Two members of the public including Cllr J Snowball.

One member of the public attended as an observer and did make comments at the end how much he had enjoyed the meeting.

Cllr JS wished the committee to reconsider planting the hanging baskets on Market Place as it was a central hub to Bollington where there were many businesses and restaurants including 'Love Bollington Markets'. The hanging baskets were in place and the residents had approached her for support. She was also aware that there may be some monies available from ITV whilst the recent filming takes place at Market Place to support the cost.

She also wished it to be noted that the Cllr surgeries should continue as they were a fantastic opportunity to engage with the public. Cllr JS noted that the leaflet from Cllr RE was particularly good, but she would like National numbers adding such as Child line and Child line abuse plus LGBTQIA adding.

To receive and approve apologies for absence:

Cllr M Fearn due to an operation and to note the resignation of Cllr S Knowles

To receive any Declarations of Interest:

None declared

**CE 29/22 To receive and confirm the minutes CE17/22 - 29/22 of the
Community & Environment Committee meeting held on the 8th February 2022.**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as a correct record.

CE 30/22 To receive updates from the minutes.

It was noted Mr D Rutley MP had made contact with the resident in reference to NHS parking permits. Cllr JN had made further enquires with CE and they felt it could be taken no further.

CE 31/22 To receive the minutes from the Events Working Group held on 21st March 2022

It was noted these were still in draft format and would be deferred to the next meeting.

CE 32/22 To approve a three-day first aid carried out due to changes with legislation from Cheshire East Council when holding events.

There had been three quotes circulated to hold a three-day first aid course.

A. Bookmycourse £1,020 plus VAT up to 12 members

B. First Aid Response First Aid - £1,200 plus VAT up to 12 members

C. St John Ambulance £2,510 plus VAT up to 8 members

Resolved the committee recommended to book Bookmycourse and to allocated it from the Christmas Event budget.

It was noted they asked for clarity on the length of time the qualification was held for before renewal.

CE 33/22 To note and resolve to renew Town Warden traffic management qualifications

It was noted that the Town Warden qualification had expired. The Town Manager had been unable to gain costings and the new approved qualifications required from Cheshire East Highways but would present this to Full Council in April.

CE 34/22 To note the feedback from Bollington 2030 to hold a virtual meeting with a speaker.

It was noted there was a meeting next week on Wednesday 27th March. Cllr JM offered to contact the member of Bollington 2030 and assist in holding the meeting. The survey results were in the enclosure pack.

CE 35/22 To note the actions from Business, Economy & Tourism Working Group

The WG had made several recommendations to the Committee to take actions. Cllr RE wished it to be noted that the Tow Path group had carried out some excellent work and they had found that the works had been completed and the group had come to an end. The Committee recommended the WG continued in the new electoral year.

CE 36/22 To receive an update from Cllr J Nicholas on hanging baskets

The Clerk and Cllr JN had driven around the town and made recommendations for hanging basket positions. There was a map of where had been confirmed and where were suitable with signs, properties and businesses.

The hanging baskets had been ordered and a company instructed to plant them.

The extra ones at Market Place were discussed and Cllr JN felt it was inappropriate outside residents' houses as it set a precedent.

Resolved the Committee agreed if monies were forth coming from ITV the Town Council would assist in the planting with the company instructed.

Cllr J Snowball noted the residents would water them.

CE 37/22 To note the clearance of the Civic Hall gardens and the next stages

The Committee agreed the works had made a vast improvement at the civic hall, but it needed to be maintained and planted further.

Resolved the Clerk was asked to make enquiries and feedback at the next Committee meeting.

CE 38/22 To receive a report from the from the PCSO on Police, Crime and Disorder

There was no report as the PCSO had been promoted and left post.

The Clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks.

CE 39/22 To receive a report from the Bollington Fire Service

The Clerk would circulate, and she noted they had offered a visit for the Town Cllrs. The Chair asked the Clerk to organise.

CE 40/22 To accept the circulated leaflet devised from Cllr RE

The Chair thanked Cllr RE for his efforts as it was such an informative leaflet for so many vulnerable people. Cllr RE wished it to go to every household but it was agreed there was no budget available. It could go out in the next newsletter, but this would be at least four months.

Resolved the leaflet would go out in the most effective method possible with no cost e.g., social media, the website, doctors' surgeries, and the library.

The Clerk would gain a price to print the leaflet.

CE 41/22 The discuss the Council Surgeries and the effectiveness

The Committee in the main felt they were of great benefit, but various locations could be found as opposed to the Town Hall.

Cllr JM thought Councillors should have the option to opt out if they wished.

Resolved the Surgeries would continue but Cllrs could opt out if they wished.

CE 42/22 To note the next meeting was to be held at the Town Hall on 12th April 2022.

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm