



## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Community and Environment Committee held at Bollington Town Hall at 7.00pm on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

### **Those present:**

Cllrs: Judy Snowball, Johanna Maitland, James Nicholas, Angela Williams, Miriat Naiga

**Chair:** Cllr Johanna Maitland

**Town Manager:** Harriet Worrell

### **Declarations of Interest**

None

### **Public and press present**

There was no press present.

Two members of the public were present. Cllr Ken Edwards also attended the public part of the meeting.

One member of the public asked about membership of the B2030 Working Group which was answered under minute CE75/22.

Cllr Ken Edwards spoke on:

- Agenda Item 11, to consider how to progress actions on the Visitor Economy and Tourism Plan 2022-30, stating it was ambitious and that he felt the actions should be considered at committee level and reported into Full Council.
- Agenda Item 12, to consider representation of Members to outside bodies and how Members will report back to Council, requesting clarification on the requirement to report back to Council and/or the Mayor and to have regard of the role of the representative.
- Agenda Item 13, to revisit the concept of Youth Council as agreed at Full Council on 07/06/22, stating he supports engagement with and empowerment of young people but that a Youth Council may require a lot of Council support. He requested a youth service is considered as an alternative.

### **CE73/22 To receive and approve apologies for absence.**

Cllr David Kent due to a family event.

### **CE74/22 To receive and confirm the minutes of the Community Services & Environment Committee meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022.**

It was noted that the minutes had been approved at Full Council on 07/06/22 with an amendment minuted at 84/22

**CE75/22 Matters arising from the minutes**

To confirm a revised meeting date for the B2030 Working Group – Cllr JM responded to the public question about membership to clarify that Councillor membership has been agreed and that public members are yet to be finalised. The function of the WG needs a review to understand its purpose and deliverables. Cllr JM advised a meeting is expected to be scheduled in the next two weeks.

Cllr JS sought an update a visit from the Refugees Welcome visit and was advised by Cllr JM that it will be scheduled at a later date.

**CE76/22 To receive an update on temporary road closures and CEC Highway conditions.**

The Town Manager advised that if conditions are not complied with, road closure permission may be revoked.

It was noted that Bollington Town Council will erect the road signage but the community groups have been asked to complete the letter drops.

**RESOLVED:** That to comply with the road closure conditions as stipulated by CEC, road signage is displayed by Bollington Town Council and letters to affected properties are distributed by the event organisers

**CE77/22 To consider the ownership of the Greg Fountain and associated repair works.**

The Greg fountain was gifted to the people of Bollington by Samuel Greg Jnr but is not currently under official ownership.

Cllr JN felt that if the Council took on ownership and responsibility for repair, it should provide information on the source of Greg family's wealth which came from slavery plantations in the Caribbean and acknowledge the history despite its unacceptability.

Cllr JS suggested the Civic Society is approached regarding a plaque of the fountain's heritage and will seek their support.

**RESOLVED:** That the committee recommends the Council takes on ownership of the Greg Fountain as a fixed asset and that the Facilities committee undertakes to proceed with seeking quotes for repair.

**CE78/22 To consider repairs of the bench on Grimshaw Lane.**

**RESOLVED:** That quotes will be sought for repair for consideration by the Community and Environment Committee.

**CE79/22 To consider a community fundraising project for a commemorative statue in the Memorial Garden.**

It was noted that the memorial garden is situated in a Conservation Area and a statue may need planning permission and the involvement of a Cheshire East Council Conservation Officer.

The member of the public who raised the idea will be advised of this.

**CE80/22 To receive an update on the Memorial Garden.**

The updated was noted.

The Town Manager will monitor the works.

**CE81/22 To consider support for roses to be donated to the memorial garden in memory of loved ones.**

Cllr JM advised agreement would need be sought from ANSA for the planting and ongoing maintenance of roses in memory of loved ones.

The Town Manager will contact ANSA to seek its support.

**CE82/22 To resolve to pursue the auto locking doors on the recreational ground toilets.**

**RESOLVED:** That quotes for auto locking doors on the recreational ground toilets are sought and that the Facilities Committee seeks to progress this work.

**CE83/22 To consider how to progress actions on the Visitor Economy & Tourism Plan 2022-30**

**RESOLVED:** That a task group of Cllrs JM, JN, JS and MN review the actions and assign to the relevant working group for progression.

**CE84/22 To consider a procedure for representation of Members to outside bodies and how Members will report back to Council.**

The committee sought clarification of the role of the Councillor on the outside body with regards to whether the Councillor was representing the Council or was a genuine member of the organisation.

For a period of monitoring, the committee recommends representatives report back to committee through an agenda item as follows:

- Friends of the Rec – Events WG
- BIT – Community & Environment Committee
- BHL – Facilities Committee
- CHALC – Personnel, Policy & Governance Committee
- CHUG - Facilities Committee
- Kerridge Parade - Events WG
- Well Dressing - Events WG
- North East Cheshire Community Partnership report - Community & Environment Committee
- Police Liaison - Community & Environment Committee
- EV chargers - Facilities Committee
- Bollington Branch of the Royal British Legion – Events WG

**CE85/22 To revisit the concept of Youth Council as agreed at Full Council on 07/06/22.**

Cllr JS suggested primary and secondary school aged children were considered.

**RESOLVED:** For the Mayor to visit schools to present to students the concept of a Youth Council.

A task group will be set up to facilitate the formation of a Youth Council.

**CE86/22 To receive a report from the from the PCSO on Police, Crime and Disorder.**

The report was received with thanks expressed to the PCSO for the level of detail.

**CE87/22 To receive a report from the Bollington Fire Service**

No report was submitted but the Committee expressed its gratitude to Bollington Fire Service for the visit to the station in May.

**CE88/22 Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm in the Town Hall.**

Meeting closed: 20.23

Signature: .....

Date: .....