



## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Community and Environment Committee held at Bollington Town Hall at 7.00pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

### **Those present:**

Cllrs: Judy Snowball (JS), Johanna Maitland (JM), James Nicholas (JN), David Kent (DK)

**Chair:** Cllr Johanna Maitland

**Town Manager:** Harriet Worrell

### **Declarations of Interest**

None

### **Public and press present**

There was no press present.

One member of the public was present. Cllr Ken Edwards also attended the public part of the meeting.

The member of the public raised the following:

1. Where can he find details about the Council's climate emergency declaration?  
Cllr JM advised she would contact the speaker about this.
2. Where can he find details on the 10 year recreational ground strategy?  
Cllr JM advised he should contact Friends of the Rec.
3. That the wildflower meadow outside the leisure centre has been warmly received and sought advice about how to pilot further managed green spaces in Bollington.  
Cllr JM advised she would contact the speaker about this.  
Cllr JS advised that at the recent council surgery, Bollington Buzz had raised a desire for more wildflower planting, particularly in West Ward and had been complimentary about the wildflower planting at the leisure centre.
4. An interest in the B2030 WG item and in joining the B2030 WG, working with the Council and Transition Bollington.

Cllr Ken Edwards spoke on:

- Item 5, To agree the purpose and benefits of Bollington B2030 WG and relationship with Transition Bollington and other relevant interest groups. Cllr KE commented on the importance of this group and asked that it supports the Neighbourhood Plan task group in their revision of the plan with regards to availability of land to reduce carbon footprint.
- Item 8, To receive an update on repairs to the Greg Fountain. Cllr KE expressed his view that the Greg Fountain is an important as a heritage asset and for the well dressing ceremony.

- Item 10, To receive an update on the Memorial Gardens. Cllr KE told the committee he was pleased that ANSA is improving the gardens and hoped that ANSA and Bollington Town Council would advertise memorial planting when it becomes available.

The member of the public and Cllr KE left after the discussion on Item 5, To agree the purpose and benefits of Bollington B2030 WG and relationship with Transition Bollington and other relevant interest groups.

**CE89/22 To receive and approve apologies for absence.**

Cllr Angela Williams due to being on holiday.

Cllr Miriat Naiga – reason not given.

**CE90/22 To receive and confirm the minutes of the Community & Environment Committee meeting held on 14th June 2022.**

**RESOLVED:** The minutes of the Community & Environment Committee meeting held on 14th June 2022, CE73/22-CE88/22, were approved as a true record.

**CE91/22 Matters arising from the minutes.**

Cllr JN asked for an update on the auto locking toilets and was advised this is to be progressed by the Facilities Committee.

Cllr JS sought an update on the invitation of a Ukrainian support group to the committee.

Cllr JM advised she has invited Refugees Welcome to one of the next two committee meetings and is waiting on a reply.

**CE92/22 To receive the minutes from the Events WG held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022.**

The minutes were received.

**CE93/22 To agree the purpose and benefits of Bollington B2030 WG and relationship with Transition Bollington and other relevant interest groups.**

As agreed by the committee, this item was brought forward in the meeting and discussed after Item 3 on the agenda so that the interested member of the public could listen before having to depart.

Cllr JM advised she had contacted those who were formally involved in the B2030 WG to seek their interest in continued involvement and suggestions of who else should be involved, and to deliver on the climate emergency plan.

Cllr DK asked to join the B2030 WG.

Cllr JS volunteered to be the conduit between Bollington Town Council and Transition Bollington.

Cllr JM will schedule for B2030 WG to meet.

The purpose of the B2030 WG was agreed as per the Terms of Reference:

- To work with local residents and action groups to reduce the carbon footprint of the town.
- Promote methods for local residents to reduce their individual carbon footprint by sharing resources and information.
- Support the council to reduce its carbon footprint.
- To research sustainability in local communities.

- To research renewable energy schemes and identify suitable sites in Bollington without detracting from the local character.
- To advise on community resilience to future shocks.
- To prepare an action plan with local action groups to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030.

**CE94/22 To agree the purpose and benefits from the Business, Economy, and Tourism WG.**

Cllr JS volunteered to progress the WG and updated the committee following the Love Bollington Business meeting she attended in April where support from the council was sought on:

- Input to the Business, Economy, and Tourism WG.
- Online directory kept up to date.
- Communications about what's happening in the town.
- Promote shop local.
- Support across all business sectors

Cllr JS suggested businesses in the different pockets of Bollington nominated a representative to attend the Business, Economy, and Tourism WG meetings.

Cllr JM sought the WG considers businesses in line with tourism.

The purpose of the Business, Economy, and Tourism WG. was agreed as per the Terms of Reference:

- To develop a strategy to support Bollington's business community.
- To collaborate with Love Bollington Business where common goals exist.
- As appropriate, communicate with local businesses to facilitate business to business support and information sharing.
- To develop a plan to promote tourism, involving stakeholders involved with the delivery of local tourism services and products.
- Support business and tourism initiatives in the town.
- To promote the value of local businesses to the town e.g. supporting the local economy.

**CE95/22 To receive an update from the Task Group to revisit the Visitor Economy & Tourism Action plan.**

It was noted that Cllr MN will schedule a meeting.

**CE96/22 To receive an update on repairs to the Greg Fountain.**

Cllr JS advised the Civic Society offered their support to repairs of the Greg Fountain and the installation of a plaque although it was noted financial support was thought not to be available.

Ownership of the Greg Fountain was discussed.

**RESOLVED:** For the Town Manager to check ownership with Cheshire East Council and subject to the response contact Styal Mill to seek their interest in taking on ownership.

**CE97/22 To receive an update on repairs to the bench on Grimshaw Lane.**

A repair cost for timber planks of £546 inc VAT and reconstituted plastic at £280 exc VAT have been received.

The Town Manager will seek information on the carved wording that has been lost due to deterioration of the wooden seat.

The Town Manager will seek additional quotes.

**CE98/22 To receive an update on the Memorial Gardens**

The update was noted.

**CE99/22 To receive an update on planting roses in the memorial garden in memory of loved ones.**

The update was noted.

It was agreed to bring this item back on a future agenda once the new beds in the Memorial Garden have been completed.

**CE100/22 To consider the purchase of a gazebo**

The committee agreed in principle to a gazebo subject to budget and cost.

The Town Manager will seek additional quotes.

**CE101/22 To receive a report from the from the PCSO on Police, Crime and Disorder.**

The report was noted and the PCSO thanked.

It was noted that the PCSO will attend if he's on duty to provide further input.

Cllr JS commented that she found the report very informative and useful.

**CE102/22 To receive a report from the Bollington Fire Service**

The report was noted with thanks.

**CE103/22 Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm in the Town Hall.

Meeting closed: 20.12

Signature: .....

Date: .....