

## Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.32pm on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at Braywood Memorial Hall

### Present:

Bray Ward:	Cllr S Cross, Cllr K Elvin (Chairman), Cllr M Pierce,
Fisheries Ward:	No Councillor present
Holyport Ward:	Cllr L Kneen, Cllr L Walters, Cllr D Wilson
Dedworth Ward:	No Councillor present
Oakley Green and Fifield Ward:	Cllr N Marsh, Cllr J Glover
Clerk:	Ms. E Cope
Member of the public	Mr Robert Tavinor

### **020/2022 Chairman's request**

The Chairman requested all mobile devices be switched off for the duration of the meeting and reminded all in attendance of the fire safety regulations for the venue.

### **021/2022 Apologies for absence, declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

Apologies were received from Cllr C Graham and Cllr N Marsh.  
No declarations of interest or dispensation were received.

### **022/2022 Health and Safety**

The Clerk confirmed no reported accidents within the Parish.  
The monthly ARD Playground Ltd report has been received and circulated to the Cllrs prior to the meeting. The Clerk noted no areas of immediate concern.

### **023/2022 Minutes from previous meeting**

The Chairman asked the Clerk to check and report minute item [11.8 grant requests](#) from the Annual meeting 16<sup>th</sup> May regarding the use of s106 funding for grant requests, believing the correct legislation to be s137. Clerk to provide a response at the next meeting.

The minutes of the Annual Electors meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 were declared to be a true and accurate record.

### **024/2022 Co-Option Interviews**

There were no applications for co-option, however the Parish office has received an expression of interest from Mr Robert Tavinor, who attended the meeting in order to gain an understanding of the work undertaken. The Chairman and Councillors welcomed him to the meeting.

Clerk to follow up with Mr Tavinor.

### **025/2022 Public Question Time**

There were no questions from the public, the meeting continued without adjournment.

### **026/2022 Clerks Briefing**

The Clerk reported receipt of the Berkshire Association of Local Councils (BALC) June newsletter and updated information on the Civility and Respect Project, both of which were circulated to Cllrs prior to the meeting.

The Clerk reported attending the June Clerks forum, noting other Clerks reported similar issues with requesting information from RBWM Enforcement team.

The Clerk noted that the position of Deputy Clerk remained vacant, with new advertisements being placed with HALC and Indeed in the past week.

The Clerk advised that stage 1 examination of the Bracknell Forest Local Plan has recently been completed, with stage 2 scheduled for October/November 2022.

### **027/2022 Finance Committee**

Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2022 were circulated prior to the meeting.

#### 027.001

Councillors considered and approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee for the Clerk to incur expenditure of £8,100.00 to complete required tree works within the Parish.

Proposed Cllr Elvin                      Seconded Cllr Glover                      Vote Unanimous.

### **028/2022 Land Management Committee**

Minutes of the Land Management meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022 were circulated prior to the meeting.

#### 028.001

Councillors considered and approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee to upgrade the basket swing at Aysgarth Park at a cost of £4,178.00

Proposed Cllr Elvin                      Seconded Cllr Kneen                      Vote Unanimous.

Cllr Cross reported that residents of Bray village had asked for the addition of play equipment for older children within the enclosed play area at Jubilee Field. Cllrs agreed for this to be discussed further at the next meeting of the Land Management Committee.

#### 028.002

Councillors considered and approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee for the Clerk to incur expenditure of up to £12,000. to complete the refurbishment of the Gays Lane Allotments.

Proposed Cllr Elvin                      Seconded Cllr Wilson                      Vote Unanimous

Cllr Pierce reminded all in attendance of the forthcoming allotment competition which will take place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July. Cllrs Pierce and Wilson have kindly agreed to judge, with administrative support from Dawn Hampshire, Clerks' Assistant.

Cllr Wilson reported refurbishment work including disability access to Holyport Memorial Hall due to start August 2022.

### **029/2022 Traffic and Highways Committee**

Cllr Elvin reported on recent correspondence from members of Bray Traffic Action Group, who contacted the Parish office with concerns regarding the increasing level of traffic through the narrow village, along with parking and other issues, noting a meeting at the Parish office for Thursday 21st July at 3:00pm in order to discuss concerns prior to the next scheduled meeting of the Traffic and Highways committee on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August at 12:30pm.

Cllrs considered issues with excess traffic through Bray village, feeling they are exacerbated by the Stafferton relief road and the Braywick roundabout., noting that BPC continues to highlight these problem areas to RBWM officers.

Cllrs Walters and Cross requested to attend the meeting.

Cllr Elvin highlighted the recently adopted BLP, with plans to significantly increase housing within the Parish, inevitably creating further traffic congestion for Bray Parish residents.

Cllrs were advised in advance of the recently released A308 study, along with public and Parish consultation events being held by RBWM.

Cllr Elvin highlighted that the public consultation would not record residents' comments, the only option being to complete an online survey. Cllrs expressed concerns for those unable to attend in person, or without access to computers.

- Old Windsor Memorial Hall - Tuesday 28 June (6pm-7:30pm)
- Braywick Leisure Centre - Tuesday 5 July (6pm-7:30pm)
- Maidenhead Community Centre- Thursday 7 July (6pm-7:30pm)
- Dedworth Library - Wednesday 13 July (6pm-7:30pm)

Cllr Elvin reported that BPC had offered to support a public consultation within Bray Parish, however RBWM had declined.

Cllrs considered and approved the next meeting of the Traffic and Highways Committee for Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August at 12:30pm.

### **030/2022 Flood Working Group**

Councillors considered and approved the next meeting of the Flood Working Group for September, date and time TBC at the next meeting of Main Council.

Parish office to liaise with the committee.

Cllrs discussed areas affected historically by flooding including Fifield, Moneyrow Green, Stud Green and Monkey Island Lane.

### **031/2022 Report of meeting with RBWM Officers Tim Golabeck and Alysse Strachan**

Cllr Elvin provided a report on the meeting held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022, reporting that BPC continue to request RBWM prioritise the ongoing projects.

At the meeting RBWM officer Tim Golabeck confirmed that there were no plans to complete required road improvements. Cllrs expressed concerns that residents complain they are not being listened to and that RBWM underestimate residents and Parish Councils local knowledge.

### **032/2022 Report of meeting with RBWM officers Adrien Waite and Ian Motuel**

Cllr Elvin reported the proposed meeting had been postponed at the request of Adrien Waite. Currently no date has been set for the meeting.

Clerk to advise Councillors in due course.

### **033/2022 Bray and the Fisheries**

Cllr Elvin reported residents who live along the A308 Windsor Road opposite the proposed Bray Lake development, had not received copies of the developer flyer. The Parish office provided 30 copies of the flyer, which volunteers kindly delivered.

Cllr Cross reported a successful Platinum Jubilee event with £3,000. being raised for village projects. The event has created a strong community spirit, with plans to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Bray Village Hall, 2023.

The Bray Traffic Action Group are in contact with Thames Valley Police Traffic Section, in order to train volunteers to complete speedwatch surveys.

### **034/2022 Holyport**

Cllr Wilson, reported a well-supported series of Platinum Jubilee events, held at Holyport Memorial Hall, including fundraising events for the new playground, with the official opening planned for September 2022.

Cllr Kneen noted no online access to the Planning Appeal for Land off Holyport Street, reporting that Cllr Wilson would attend the appeal hearing on behalf of BPC.

### **035/2022 Fifield and Oakley Green**

Cllr Glover noted receiving correspondence from a resident who had been bitten by an unattended dog running along the Fifield Road within the area of Wayside Stables. The incident has been reported to the Police and the Dog Warden. Subsequently other residents have come forwards to report other incidents involving loose dogs, which cause a hazard to walkers and other road users.

### **036/2022 Chairman's Business**

Cllr Elvin advised those present of the recently released A308 study, noting his disappointment that the offer to RBWM from BPC to host a drop-in session within the Parish had been rejected.

Also noting that residents could only access the information online by completing the RBWM online survey.

### **037/2022 DALC Update**

Cllr Wilson in his capacity as DALC representative confirmed that there had been no recent meeting of DALC, however he had attended the meeting of BALC on the 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Cllr Wilson confirmed the availability of training sessions for Councillors and agreed to share the information via the Parish office.

### **038/2022 RBWM Update**

Cllr Walters provided a report in his capacity as RBWM Ward Councillor, noting that RBWM must make savings of approximately £50M. Also noting that currently around 72% of the money available is spent on Social Care and Children's Services.

### **039/2022 Correspondence and General Matters**

The Clerk provided a report of correspondence received.

**040/2022 Local Government Act 1972 Exclusion of the public**

The Chairman will move that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public shall be excluded from the remainder of the meeting whilst discussion takes place on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1-7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

**Part II**

**041/2022 HR Staffing**

Councillors received an update on office staffing.

**042/2022 Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 7:30pm.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9:40pm.

Unapproved