



Name: Cllr James Hunt (Mayor)

Date: 18th of July 2024

Signed: Original Signed

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

held in the Council Chamber, Emersons Green Town Council,

1900hrs on Thursday 20th of June 2024.

Present: Cllrs Bobbie Sunderland (Deputy Mayor), Colin Hunt, Graham Hutter, Tina Potter, Kelly Allen, and Simon Budd.

In attendance: Joanne Bryant, Town Clerk and, Jane Wray, Deputy Town Clerk & RFO.

Apologies: Councillors James Hunt (Mayor), and Rachael Hunt.

Public: Three members of the public attended the meeting.

Notes: The meeting began at 1900hrs. All resolutions are passed with a majority vote, by a show of hands, unless otherwise stated.

FC_2024.029 Welcome and Introductions.

Minutes: The Deputy Mayor welcomed everyone present, Cllrs and the public members introduced themselves and the emergency procedures were explained.

FC_2024.030 Declaration of Interest – Localism Act 2011.

Minutes: The Deputy Mayor reminded members of the requirement to declare an interest. No interests were disclosed.

FC_2024.031 Public Participation.

Minutes: The Deputy Mayor gave the representatives of the grant applicants the choice to speak now or when the grants were considered, and they chose the latter.

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION

FC_2024.032 Minutes.

Motion: It was moved by Cllr Graham Hutter, supported by Cllr Kelly Allen, and resolved that:

Resolved: The *Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 23rd of May 2024*, copies having been circulated, be approved as a correct record, and signed by the Deputy Mayor.

Minutes: The minutes were signed at the meeting by the Deputy Mayor.

FC_2024.33 Outstanding items.
To receive an update from the Town Clerk.

Minutes: No update was provided.

INTEL & CURRENT AFFAIRS

FC_2024.034 Crime Update.

Minutes: The Council received a circulated report from Avon and Somerset Police.

GRANT APPLICATIONS

FC_2024.035 Green Community Travel (CGT) Limited.
To consider a grant application for £550 to enable GCT to advertise over 3 months in The Voice (Emersons Green).

Minutes: No representative was present. This item was deferred to after item FC_2024.038.

Motion: It was moved by Cllr Colin Hunt, supported by Cllr Kelly Allen, and resolved that:

Resolved: The Council approves a grant for £550 to CGT Limited to enable the company to advertise over 3 months in The Voice (Emersons Green).

FC_2024.036 St Peter's Hospice.
To consider a grant application for £3,000.00 to support the work of their Community Nurses.

Minutes: The Deputy Mayor invited questions from the Council which were taken and answered by the representative.

Motion: It was moved by Cllr Graham Hutter, supported by Cllr Kelly Allen, and resolved that:

Resolved: The Council approves a grant of £3,000 to St Peter's Hospice to support the work of their Community Nurses.

FC_2024.037 Emersons Green Village Hall.
To consider a grant application for £3,196.00 to support the Seniors Lunch Project and increase the numbers from 36 to 50 people.

- Minutes:** The Deputy Mayor invited questions from the Council which were taken and answered by the representative.
- Motion:** It was moved by Cllr Graham Hutter, supported by Cllr Bobbie Sunderland, and resolved that:
- Resolved:** The Council approves a grant of £3,196.00 to Emersons Green Village Hall to support the Seniors Lunch Project and increase the numbers from 36 to 50 people.

FC_2024.038 Lyde Green Community Association.
To consider a grant application for £1,000.00 to support their annual Summer Sizzler event.

- Minutes:** The Deputy Mayor invited questions from the Council which were taken and answered by the representative.
- Motion:** It was moved by Cllr Colin Hunt, supported by Cllr Bobbie Sunderland, and resolved that:
- Resolved:** The Council approves a grant of £1,000.00 to Lyde Green Community Association to support their annual Summer Sizzler event.

COMMUNICATIONS

- FC_2024.039 Correspondence.**
To note official correspondence to the Council, copies having been circulated.
- Minutes:** The Council noted the correspondence. It was agreed not to purchase a new official portrait of His Majesty King Charles III.

OPERATIONS

- FC_2024.040 To note any updates from Committees.**
- Minutes:** At the invitation of the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Graham Hutter provided a verbal summary from the Finance & Partnership Committee, then Cllr Simon Budd provided a verbal summary of the work of the Planning Committee, and finally, Cllr Bobbie Sunderland (Deputy Mayor) provided a verbal summary of the work of the Open Spaces Committee.
- FC_2024.041 To note any updates from Working Groups.**
- Minutes:** Cllr Bobbie Sunderland (Deputy Mayor) provided a verbal update on the work of the Climate and Nature Working Group.

FC_2024.042 To note any reports from external bodies.

Minutes: No reports received.

PLANNING & STRATEGY

FC_2024.043 Forward Plan.

To note and discuss future agenda items.

Minutes: The Council received the circulated document *Forward Plan*.

FINANCE

FC_2024.044 Monthly Payments.

To consider that the monthly payments list, copies having been circulated, be approved, and signed by the Deputy Mayor.

Motion: It was moved by Cllr Bobbie Sunderland, supported by Cllr Colin Hunt, and resolved that:

Resolved: The Council approves the monthly payments lists, copies having been circulated, and that they are signed by the Deputy Mayor.

Minutes: The Deputy Mayor signed the monthly payments lists.

FC_2024.045 Emersons Green Village Hall.

To consider a request to draw down £10,600.00 from the earmarked fund for Summer Activities at Emersons Green Village Hall.

Motion: It was moved by Cllr Colin Hunt, supported by Cllr Graham Hutter, and resolved that:

Resolved: The Council approves a request to draw down £10,600.00 from the earmarked fund for Summer Activities at Emersons Green Village Hall.

FC_2024.046 Investments.

To request approval to open a CCLA investment account as recommended by the Finance & Partnership Committee, with an initial investment amount to be agreed.

Motion: It was moved by Cllr Colin Hunt, supported by Cllr Graham Hutter, and resolved that:

Resolved: The Council opens a CCLA investment account as recommended by the Finance & Partnership Committee, with an initial investment amount to be agreed.

DATES & TIMINGS

FC_2024.047 Next Meeting.

Minutes: Cllr Bobbie Sunderland, (Deputy Mayor) announced that the next meeting of the Full Council was scheduled to take place:

Thursday 18th of July 2024 at 1900hrs in the Emersons Green Town Council Chamber.

Cllr Bobbie Sunderland (Deputy Mayor) concluded the formal business of the meeting at 1945hrs and announced that an informal 'roundtable' discussion would take place afterward.