

BERE FERRERS PARISH COUNCIL

Full Council Updates and Actions 25th January 2022

14. Council's Precept for 2022-23

The Council's precept of £70,520 for 2022-23 was submitted to West Devon Borough Council on 19th January 2022.

15. Earmarked Reserves

The earmarked reserve for the repairing of the Parish Clock was -£48.25 and the reserve for the installation of CCTV system was - £1558.31. Both reserves cannot have a negative balance at the end of the financial year; therefore, funds from the General Reserves have been used to balance these reserves.

16. Allotments

There are currently 7 people on the waiting list for an allotment at Bere Alston.

On 21st January the Clerk emailed all those BA allotment holders asking if anyone was thinking of giving up their plot at the end of March, to let her know, in order the available plot can be offered to those currently on the waiting list in April.

17. The Neighbourhood Plan 5-year review

The Task & Finish Group are to meet to start the review of the Plan. To be led by Cllr. R. Maycock.

18. Review of the 21st December 2021 Full Council meeting

After discussions, it was agreed that certain amendments were required on the minutes, but they could not be formally done at this time. The amendments of the minutes from the 21st December, plus the approval and adoption of the minutes will be done at the next Full Council meeting on 22nd February 2022.

Cllrs. King, Maciejowska and Pengelly requested an amendment be made on Minute No 379. The amendment to be written and given at the next meeting. There was also a suggestion that the extra £800 added to the budget be discussed and a voted taken on where the money should be placed.

19. Review of notes of F & GP meeting of 18 January 2022.

Cllr. Leithall went through the items discussed at a meeting of the F & G.P Committee.

Cllrs. Crozier and Lamb are to visit the Bere Ferrers War Memorial with an ad hoc group from the Bere Ferrers Villagers Group and discuss with them the Rejuvenation of Bere Ferrers War Memorial site.

The Bere Ferrers zip wire installation Task & Finish Group met to discuss the interpretation board, requested by GWR, who have donated a large sum to the purchase.

20. DALC advice on suspension of item four of the delegation powers granted to the Clerk at Council meeting on 21 December 2021.

DALC advised the Clerk that as the Council were having informal zoom meetings, there was no requirement to advertise these meetings, and invite members of the public attends. It was therefore suggested Item 4 in the documents is amended to the below:

4. Full Council meetings, Plans & Highways Committee meetings will continue to meet face to face and agendas will be advertised three days before on our three notice boards and upon our website, three working days before the meetings. Member of the public are welcome to attend.

4a. All other Committees; Footpaths & Environment, Open Spaces and Finance & General Purposes will meet via zoom and after discussions, forward their recommendations/actions to the Clerk to carry out.

21. Nominate a Councillor to represent the Council at Port of Plymouth Liaison meetings.

Cllr. J. Maciejowska is to become the new Council's Representative for this Committee.

22. Nominate a Councillor to represent the Council on Bere Gen. (This is the Charity that manages the Parish Hall).

Cllr. D. King is to become the new Council's representative for Beregen. The Clerk to inform Beregen and send copies of the last meeting's minutes to Cllr. King.

23. Discussion of resuming face to face Council meetings.

After discussions, the Council proposed that the Council return to face to face meetings for the Plans & Highways Committee and Full Council on Tuesday 22nd February 2022 at 7 pm, with the following conditions:

In order to maintain social distancing and until the installation of the hearing loop system in the Parish Hall, all meetings will take in the Bere Ferrers Church Hall.

All Councillors will be expected to conduct a lateral flow test on the day of the meeting.

Face masks are to be worn at all times at the meeting and social distancing observed.

The Open Spaces and F & G.P Committees will continue to meet via zoom and forward their actions/recommendations to the Clerk to action.

24. Vandalism & Anti-social behaviour

Cllr. Lamb confirmed that vandalism occurred on Friday 21st January in and around the Parish Hall carpark and it had been reported to the police.