

## **BERE FERRERS PARISH COUNCIL**

**At a meeting of the Council held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022.**

### **Present**

Cllr P Crozier	Chair of Council
Cllr. P. Dennis	Cllr. B. Lamb
Cllr. R. Leithall	Cllr. D. King
Cllr J Maciejowska	Cllr. R. Maycock
Cllr. D. Pengelly	Cllr. P. Graeme-Drury
Cllr H Rogers	Cllr. S. Russell

### **40. Apologies**

Cllrs. Shaw, Peace and Cllr. Angela Blackman sent their apologies. The Council accepted their apologies.

### **41. Declaration of Interest**

There was no declaration of interest.

### **42. Notifications of items of interest as the discretion of the chair. No action can be taken on these items.**

Cllr. Dennis reported on the pot holes situated in the Doctor's Surgery car park.

### **43. Chair's Report**

At the Annual General meeting of the West Devon Borough Council. Cllr Caroline Mott to continue as Mayor for a further four years and Cllr. Neil Jury to continue as Leader of the Council.

The opening ceremony for the new zip wire at the Bere Ferrers playpark went very well.

The Council has received a request for fitness classes to take place on the football pitch. The Council are currently discussing this request with the Football Club.

Cllr. Crozier thanked Cllr. Philip Sanders for his donation from his locality budget.

### **44. Reports from the District and County Councillors**

Cllr. Philip Sanders gave his report:

There is pressure on the budgets at County level. Children's and Adult services are statutory and have to be paid for.

Highways are going to suffer, as its budget is under extreme pressure.

There has been a huge increase of the number of children coming into care.

The DNP has had a flat budget for 4 years, with no increase and there will be a major renew of the work DNP.

### **45. To approve and adopt the minutes from the Council meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022 as a true meeting and taken as read, to deal with matters arising.**

Cllr. Lamb proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr. Maciejowska.

Cllr. Sanders commented that a representative from the Police should be invited, once a quarter, to attend a Council meeting.

### **Matters Arising**

**Minute 495** The cost to have to Voting Tree picture restored will be approximately £80. The History Group may contribute some money to its restoration.

Cllr. Lamb proposed adoption of the minutes, seconded by Cllr. Maciejowska.

**SO, RESOLVED**

**46. To approve and adopt the minutes from the Plans & Highways meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 as a true meeting and taken as read, to deal with matters arising.**

Cllr. Maycock proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr. Lamb.

No matters were arising.

Cllr. Maycock proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr. Lamb.

**SO, RESOLVED**

**47. To approve and adopt the minutes from the Finance & General Purposes meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022 as a true meeting and taken as read, to deal with matters arising.**

Cllr. Leithall proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr. Dennis

**Matters Arising**  
**Minute 524**

The Fire Alarm service contract with Chubb is to be cancelled. The new fire panel has been installed and the system has been tested. It is important that the Control Centre is informed whenever tests are carried out.  
The annual Emergency lighting and fire extinguishers service is still under Chubb until March 2023.

Cllr. Leithall proposed adoption of the minutes, seconded by Cllr. Dennis.

**SO, RESOLVED**

**48. Issues of recent vandalism**

Due to vandalism, the litter bin by the Youth Shelter has been damaged beyond repair. Mr E. Ember also reported to the Council that the Tommy statute in the Memorial Garden had been damaged.

**49. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

**50. Questions from any members of the public present, at the discretion of the Chairman.**

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked members for attending and declared the meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

Signed by the Chair

Signed this date 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022