

25th March 2021

Minutes of the proceedings of the Strategy and Policy Committee held this day via Zoom commencing at 7.30pm and finishing at 7.56pm.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr N Allen

Councillors: Mrs J Bettison, D Birch, A Blatchford, Mrs S Davenport, Mrs H Hill, Ms G Kennedy, J Porter, M Sanderson.

IN ATTENDANCE

Executive Officer (Angela Carey)

Cllr P Bettison

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda item 1)

No apologies were received.

MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Agenda item 2)

No declaration of interests were received at this time.

MINUTES OF THE STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE (Agenda item 3)

It was proposed by Cllr N Allen and the following was

**RESOLVED
2315**

that the Minutes of the Strategy and Policy meeting held on 28th January 2021 (pages 1101 -1103) be received as a true and correct record and that they be confirmed and signed by the Chairman. (Unanimous)

NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP (Agenda item 4)

The next meeting will be held via zoom on 7th April 2021 at 9.30am.

HEALTH AND SAFETY (Agenda item 5)

Nothing was reported.

SANDHURST YOUTH WORKER (Agenda item 6)

The Committee were informed that no meetings have been held. The Youth worker has been active in the community and took part in Comic Relief Day by dressing as a Superhero. There is also a youth worker going into Sandhurst School on a regular basis.

COMMUNITY FUND (Agenda item 7)

A motion was referred from the Town Council Meeting to this committee for consideration for approval to be given to STC setting up and managing a Community Fund for improvements in the town using monies from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr N Allen and seconded by Cllr D Birch and the following was

**RESOLVED
2316**

that a Community Fund is created and that the Chairman of Leisure, Environment & Strategy & Policy along with the EO prepare the criteria for the funds being released. This will then be presented to this Committee for approval.

ACTION: EO



FEES AND CHARGES REVIEW (Agenda item 8)

The Committee considered the recommendation from the fees and charges working group that existing fees and charges remain unchanged for 2021/22. Proposed fees for the hire of the new Community Centre (when this has been transferred to STC), were also considered. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr N Allen and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2317**

that the existing fees and charges remain unchanged for the financial year 2021/22 and the charges for the Little Sandhurst Community Centre are changed to reflect the charges for the Kitty Dancy Room.
(Unanimous)

ACTION: EO

GRANT AWARDS 2021/22(Agenda item 9)

The information relating to grant applications was received, including a summary of recommendations from the Grant Panel (a Working Group reporting to the committee). Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr N Allen and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2318**

that the recommendations of the Grant Panel be approved.(Unanimous)

ACTION: EO

LITTLE SANDHURST COMMUNITY HALL (Agenda item 10)

The Committee were informed that before the building can receive its NHBC certificate, a ramp for disabled access must be installed at the front entrance to the building. Bloor homes are currently chasing the transfer of the building via their legal department.

TREE POLICY (Agenda item 11)

The Committee received a draft of a new tree policy for review and adoption as recommended by the Leisure Committee. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr J Porter and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison, and the following was

**RESOLVED
2319**

that policy is adopted. (Unanimous)

ACTION: EO

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING DATE (Agenda item 12)

Further to a request from a Councillor the Committee were asked to consider changing the date of the next Town Council Meeting due to the byelection taking place on the same day. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr N Allen and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2320**

that the date remains unchanged and will take place via zoom as it is before the temporary legislation to allow virtual meetings expires on 7th May 2021. (Unanimous)

Action: EO



PRESS & PUBLICITY (Agenda item 13)

There were no additions requested by this meeting to the press and publicity forward plan.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING (Agenda item 14)

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 28th May 2021.

**SIGNED AND DATED BY
CHAIRMAN**

