Minutes of the meeting of Burton Parish Council held at Wetmore Community Centre on Wednesday 15th February 2023

Present: P Hough, J Gilbert, E Dean, G Martin and G Bramall (Clerk)

Apologies: R Harris, H Hall, D Goring and A Bradshaw

01/2023 Apologies and Absences

The above absences were recorded, and reasons given were accepted.

02/2023 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

03/2023 Approval of last month's minutes

All present agreed to accept the minutes dated 21st December 2022.

04/2023 Public Participation

Mr Mick Teasel and Mr Leum Harris were welcomed to the meeting, and they introduced themselves.

05/2023 To Consider Receipts and Payments

Expenditure

SPCA for Chair's Training - £90.00 Meeting Refreshments - £9.12

Clerk's Salary - £280.22 PAYE - £70.20

Finances to be considered

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All present agreed for the above to be paid.

The Chair mentioned a cleaner for Wetmore Community Centre has been appointed, working 2 hours/week (£12.50/hour), £108/month. All agreed.

06/2023 Date for Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed to have the Annual Parish Meeting on 10th June (preliminary date) between 10-12 noon at Burton Library.

The Chair explained that we would invite community groups to attend the event and there will be displays.

It was agreed this will take place on Sunday 7th May.

This will be at Wetmore Community Centre. It will be a family street party or indoor picnic, weather dependent. There will be some music and the cost for this is £150.00. There will also be some entertainment – a bouncy castle and some bunting. A budget was set for £250.00.

The Clerk agreed to contact ESBC about blocking the street off – street party license.

08/2023 Nature Reserve

In Wetmore Park near the allotment, an area of fencing has been damaged. The Parish Council have been asked if we will fund the replacement. The Chair agreed to contact Michael at Open Spaces to discuss what we can do together.

09/2023 To receive progress reports from members

ED and Leum Harris have met to discuss the planter area.

The community centre is up and running. There have been some parties and regular bookings but we do need to build the funds and it needs to be self sufficient. All Councillor's were asked to work together on getting some more bookings.

ED mentioned the planters outside McDonalds in the town centre, there have been children on them and near Costa people are feeding the pigeons. It was suggested some signs need to be put up.

It was agreed the monthly meetings would be one alternative at Burton Library and Wetmore Community Centre. The Clerk agreed to inform all Councillors by e.mail.

10/2023 Planning Applications – February 2023

<u>P/2023/00060</u> - Change of use of existing building to form a mixed use leisure venue to include crazy golf, escape rooms, pool tables, axe throwing lanes, bar and ice cream parlour / cafe including installation of lift, air condenser units and cowl. First and Second Floor Former Burton Museum and Art Gallery Guild Street Burton Upon Trent Staffordshire DE14 1NB

<u>P/2022/00112</u> - Demolition of garage/storage & utility area to facilitate the erection of a part two storey part single storey rear/side extension with Juliet balcony. 105 Horninglow Street Burton upon Trent Staffordshire DE14 1PJ.

11/2023 To Receive County Councillors Report

There were no reports received.

12/2023 To Receive Borough Councillor's Report

HH reported:

A resident contacted HH and Cllr Afsar about parking in Market Place, which is split between the two councils. This causes confusion and can result in PCNs, so we are both looking into how the area can be better signed to avoid paying for a ticket at the wrong machine.

The British Legion have got in touch with HH to see if we can find new recruits to sell poppies in Burton this year, as many volunteers have passed away or retired. If anyone is interested, please let HH know.

Lots of reports file with either the County Council or the county councillor about potholes, broken signage, fences etc. Also some fly tipping reported to ESBC and HH asked for litter picking patrols in the verges around Evershed Way.

13/2023 To receive the Clerk's report

The Clerk requested outstanding Code of Conduct forms are signed and returned to her.

14/2023 Correspondence

There was no correspondence received.

15/2023 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is Wednesday, 15th March 2023 at 6.30pm in Room 1 of Burton Library.