

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2023 HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, SK COMMUNITY POINT. 3 ABBEY ROAD, BOURNE, PE10 9EF.

(Recorded by Town Clerk)

0 Members of Public

Present **Chair** **Cllr A Kelly**

Councillors

Cllr P Fellows	Cllr H Crawford
Cllr B Johnson	Cllr R Baker
Cllr R McKinney	Cllr S Mallett
Cllr C Pattison	Cllr J Reid
Cllr R Reid	Cllr A Willis

22/096 **To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence.**

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr J Reid, and unanimously

RESOLVED: To approve reasons for apology for absence from Cllr J Kingman, D Mapp, P Knowles and B Russell.

22/097 **To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Localism Act 2011**

Cllr B Johnson Non Pecuniary Item 13

22/098 **To consider requests for Dispensation**

To speak as above

22/099 **To ask if members of the public, resident or employed within the Parish, had any intention to speak under any Agenda Item of this meeting (this will be to a maximum of 3 minutes)**

There were no members of the public present.

22/100 **To adopt the Notes of the Meeting of Bourne Town Council held on 31st January 2023 as a true record and for the Chair to sign them.**

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr S Mallett

RESOLVED: To adopt the Notes of the Meeting of Bourne Town Council held on 31st January 2023 as a true record and for the Chair to sign them as such.

22/101 **To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or Representatives on other Organisations**

Cllr R Reid – Meeting with Highways portfolio holder Richard Davies and the following discussed:

- 1) Meadow Drove – Would be dealt with under a capital and funding scheme in 23/24.
- 2) A151 resurfacing between Eastgate to Meadowdrove has been noted and remains a priority.

- 3) South Fen Road – Subject to a major works plan and will involve a major reconstruction June/July 23/24. This would be preceded by a works survey in March 23 and the project would provide the hard core for the allotments site.
- 4) 30 Willoughby Road – There is an undertaking from the LCC Highways Department to ensure completion.
- 5) The A15 deterioration has been noted and placed as a priority.
- 6) Active travel England has announced £200M funding for rural pathways and cycle ways and LCC are preparing their bids.
- 7) Footpath from Bourne Heights had been approved for a budget of £21,000 and will be completed this year.
- 8) Talks on the proposed bus service between the Town Centre and Elsea Park had reopened.

Cllr Kelly asked Cllr Reid if there was a particular officer responsible for Bourne and Cllr Reid informed the members that this was Mr Dan Adams.

Cllr Johnson queried whether a Zebra Crossing would be installed along with the new Bourne Heights footpath to which Cllr Reid responded that it was not currently part of the Plan.

Cllr R McKinney

- 1) Reported on a recent SKDC Tourism networking event.

Cllr S Woolley

- 1) Active Travel England have announced funding of £200M for pathways, cycle ways etc. LCC are putting together bids for 5 tranches, one of those will be Morton to Bourne.

Cllr Kelly mentioned the NP's aspirations to have a path/cycleway running from Mill Drove along the route of the Car Dyke,

Cllr Woolley asked that this information was forwarded to her as it seemed a reasonable option.

- 2) No further update on Meadowgate and the proposed one way system.

22/102 To answer questions from Councillors

The Clerk informed members that one question had been received from Cllr S Mallett:

“ Do BTC think that establishing a group to focus on identifying potential projects be of any use? The idea being that when monies become available Bourne is not behind the curve and are in a position to respond.”

Members were of the general opinion that this was a worthy idea and that the Council should have a potential ‘wish list’ of potential projects.

Cllr Fellows was of the opinion that any new project going forward needed understanding and input from all Councillors.

It was further discussed that the Neighbourhood Plan should be the starting point for all aspirations whether land related or not.

It was agreed that this should be added to the agenda of the next NP meeting.

22/103 To receive the Notes/Minutes of the Standing Committees:

There were none

22/104 To adopt recommendations made by the Committee's:

There were none

22/105 To Approve Accounts for Payment

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr J Reid.

RESOLVED: To approve the accounts for payment as listed.

22/106 To receive and approve the revised 'Heads of Terms' for the changing Places Facility

Cllr R Reid left the meeting for this agenda item.

The following amendments had been incorporated into the HOT's:

Pre-emption

- 1) SK to have a right of pre-emption to re-purchase for £1 for a period of 20 years;
- 2) BTC would, after 20 years, have a rolling right to put the property back to SK and SK obliged to take the property for £1 should BTC wish to sell.

Positive Covenant

Accepting a positive covenant that whilst it is the beneficial owner the property would be used as a public toilet.

Legal Costs

BTC/SKDC to contribute their own legal costs to the transfer

Proposed by Cllr P Fellows, seconded by Cllr B Johnson.

RESOLVED: To accept the revised HOT's in relation to the 'Changing Places' Facility.

Cllr R Reid re-joined the meeting

22/107 To receive further information relating to the UKSPF and if appropriate make relevant recommendations.

It was reported that a meeting had taken place at SKDC and it was confirmed that unused monies in year 1 could be carried over to year 2.

Proposed by Cllr P Fellows, seconded by Cllr B Johnson.

RESOLVED: To receive the information relating to the above

22/108 To receive a progress report on the proposed 'Skate Park for Bourne'

The clerk informed members that a meeting had been arranged with the key officers at Canvas Spaces to discuss further progress.

Proposed by Cllr S Mallett, seconded by Cllr J Reid,
RESOLVED: To receive the above report.

22/109 To receive information with regard to the Towns 'Coronation' Celebrations.

Cllr Paul Fellows outlined the plans so far and confirmed that all was in order. The Beacon was currently being built and would be installed in time for the Coronation Weekend.

Proposed by Cllr R Reid, seconded by Cllr R Baker
RESOLVED: To receive the above information

22/110 To discuss the current 'Aldi' consultation and if appropriate make relevant recommendations.

The clerk informed members that the consultation being run by Aldi was due to close later on The 28th February.

The chair Cllr Kelly asked members for their comments which are summarised below:

Wrong Location,
Bourne Neighbourhood Plan team not in favour,
Does Bourne need another supermarket?
Access and egress not acceptable,
Concern for Bourne Woods,
Consultation was not convenient.

It was generally agreed that no recommendation would be made until the proposal came to application stage.

22/111 To receive information relating to the forthcoming elections.

The clerk informed members that all nomination forms for both Town Council and District Council had to be submitted by Tuesday 4th April 4.00pm.

Following the elections on the 4th May the old Council would retire on the 9th May and the New Council would take over.

22/112 To discuss any information which the Chair may legally bring to the Council's Attention.

Due to their being no further items to discuss the meeting came to a close at 20.21hrs.