

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 10TH MAY 2022 at 7:00PM**

(Recorded by Town Clerk)

Present	Chairman	C Pattison			
	Councillors	P Fellows	P Knowles	J Kingman	R McKinney
		S Mallett	J Reid	B Russell	A Willis
		H Crawford	B Johnson	A Kelly	R Reid

1943A To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence

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

RESOLVED: To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence from Cllr's D Mapp and J Smith.

1944A To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011

Cllr B Johnson – Agenda Item 9 – Non-Pecuniary

1945A To consider requests for Dispensation

As Above

1946A To ask if members of the public, resident or employed within this Parish, have any intention to speak under any Agenda Items of this meeting (this will be to a maximum of 3 minutes)

None Present.

1947A To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 15th March 2022 as a true record and to resolve for the Chairman to sign them

Proposed by Cllr P Knowles seconded by Cllr R McKinney and

RESOLVED: To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 15th March 2022 as a true record and for the Chairman to sign them.

The Clerk Recorded 5 abstentions

1948A To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or Representatives on other Organisations

Cllr R Reid reported that vandalism had taken place on the Wellhead play area and that the police were investigating the situation. It was suggested that perhaps Warners should be approached with a view to install some form of CCTV on one of their buildings.

1949A To answer questions from Councillors

None had been received

1950A To receive a review of the Amenities year 2021/2022

Cllr Pattison informed members that as this was the last Amenities meeting of the year that he thought it appropriate to have a review of the year.

- **'In Bloom' Silver Gilt**

First competition since COVID lockdown and judged under extremely strange circumstances.

The Town looked resplendent and the judging confirmed that again we do ourselves proud with the work undertaken.

- **Bourne Night Light**
Despite the situation under which the event surfaced the Town Council made the best of a 'not so good' situation and engineered a fantastic night for the Town.
- **Christmas Light Switch on**
Again the first switch on since COVID lockdown had ended and experienced extreme weather conditions. However unlike other Towns who cancelled their switch on we persevered and produced a switch on to be proud of.
- **Queens Platinum Jubilee**
Although not yet completed work has been ongoing since November 2021. Many projects have been undertaken and should all come to fruition come the beginning of June.
- **Special Expense Areas**
Due to the persistence of Cllr Philip Knowles two 'Green Spaces' have been taken on by the Town Council.
This is a first for the Council and shows a proactive approach to their role.
- **A Skatepark for Bourne**
Again showing a much needed pro activeness the skatepark is close to being finalised and if it were not for BTC it would not be in the final stages.

Other projects being worked on:

- Dog Bin Survey
- Garden of Contemplation
- Town Centre Bench project
- Cemetery Path Renewal
- Speedwatch Campaign

Cllr Crawford pointed out that the footpaths at the cemetery were in an unsafe state yet these had previously not been reported back to the Council.

Proposed by Cllr J Reid, seconded by Cllr P Knowles and unanimously.
RESOLVED: To receive the above report

1951A To receive an update on the proposed Skatepark for Bourne.

The clerk reported that steady progress was being made and that a further meeting with Canvas will take place this week.

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr A Kelly and unanimously
RESOLVED: To receive the above report

1952A To receive a report on the Queens Platinum Jubilee preparations.

Cllr Paul Fellows gave a report to members on this item. He informed them that with the Celebrations less than a month away much of the preparatory work was coming to a close. A full programme was being prepared for all four days and would be available prior to the Weekend..

Proposed by Cllr J Reid, seconded by Cllr B Johnson
RESOLVED: To receive the above report.

1953A To review the transfer of the SEA's.

The clerk confirmed that the legal transfer had finally taken place and that the two areas were now being administered by BTC the only outstanding issue is the transfer of the reserves balance held by SKDC.

Proposed by Cllr J Reid, seconded by Cllr P Knowles

RESOLVED: To receive the above report.

1954A To receive the dates for:

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| a) Annual Parish Meeting | 24 th May 2022 7.00pm |
| b) Annual Town Council Meeting | 24 th May 2022 7.30pm |
| c) Civic Service | 12 th June 2022 10.00pm |

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr B Johnson and

RESOLVED: To receive the above dates

1955A To receive/discuss a schedule of current and future initiatives

The clerk produced a schedule of current and future initiatives that the Council was Undertaking and was to act as an aide memoir for members. This would be added to on a Regular basis.

Proposed by Cllr J Reid, seconded by Cllr R McKinney

RESOLVED: To receive the above schedule

1956A To receive an update on the proposed 'Changing Places' facility for Bourne

The clerk informed members that Cllr Pattison and himself had met with Gareth Dawkins and Giles Teesdale from SKDC Estates department and all were in agreement that the South Street toilets were by far the best location.

Both officers agreed to work on the matter and that this project would be a template for the Other locations in SK.

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr J Kingman

RESOLVED: To receive the above update.

1957A To receive information with regard to the resettlement of Ukrainian Refugees in the Local area.

The clerk informed the members that a resilience group had been established by LCC to deal With this matter further details can be obtained from the clerk.

Proposed by Cllr J Reid, seconded by Cllr B Johnson

RESOLVED: To receive the above information.

1958A To receive the clerks response to Vistry Homes with regard to the possibility of the Transfer of local land.

The clerk informed members that the offer made to Vistry Homes of £23,422.50 had been met With a counter offer of £21,255.40.

Cllr Knowles was of the opinion that we should go back to the developer and insist on the Figure of £23,422.50 plus the completion of all necessary tree work.

Proposed by Cllr P Knowles, seconded by Cllr A Kelly

RESOLVED: To allow the clerk to continue negotiations with the developer as detailed above.

1959A To discuss any information which the Chairman may legally bring to the Council's attention.

Cllr R Reid reported that the condition report on Bourne Leisure Centre had been completed and highlighted that the centre required a new boiler at a cost of £38,000 plus there was two other issues.

Due to their being no further items to discuss the chairman brought the meeting to a close at 20.08hrs.