

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF  
BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020 at 7:00pm, in the Bourne  
Town Council Offices, SK Community Point, Bourne**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Chairman Councillors</b>	<b>P Knowles</b>			
		P Fellows	B Johnson	B Russell	J Smith
		D Mapp	R McKinney	R Reid	C Pattison
		A Kelly	H Crawford	J Kingman	

(Recorded by Town Clerk)

**2327F 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 M Overland  
And Cllr J Reid

**2328F To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011**

<i>Non Pecuniary</i>	<i>Cllr D Mapp</i>	<i>Item 14</i>
<i>Non Pecuniary</i>	<i>Cllr B Johnson</i>	<i>Item 14</i>
<i>Non Pecuniary</i>	<i>Cllr P Fellows</i>	<i>Item 14</i>
<i>Non Pecuniary</i>	<i>Cllr J Smith</i>	<i>Item 13</i>

**2329F To consider requests for Dispensation**

*As listed above*

**2330F 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.*

**2331F To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020 as a true record and to resolve for the Chairman to sign them**

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

**RESOLVED:** To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020 as a true record and for the Chairman to sign them

**2332F To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or Representatives on other Organisations**

*Cllr H Crawford – SKDC – Had attended the InvestSK breakfast meeting with guest speaker Rory Underwood.*

**2333F To answer questions from Councillors**

None received.

**2334F To adopt the period trial balance and bank reconciliation – month ending 31.01.20**

Proposed by Cllr B Johnson, seconded by Cllr B Russell and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To adopt the period trial balance and bank reconciliation – month ending 31.01.20

**2335F To adopt the Income & Expenditure Budget Report – month ending 31.01.20**

Proposed by Cllr D Mapp, seconded by Cllr B Johnson and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To adopt the Income & Expenditure Budget Report – month ending 31.01.20

**2336F To approve accounts for payment**

Proposed by Cllr R Reid, seconded by Cllr H Crawford, and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To approve accounts for payment as listed

**2337F To receive correspondence a-k en bloc**

Proposed by Cllr D Mapp, seconded by Cllr H Crawford and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To receive correspondence a-k en bloc

**2338F To consider a grant application from Bourne Sci Fest**

The members were all aware of the sterling work undertaken by the Sci Fest Committee. The event held every two years for predominantly local school children had increased in popularity and professionalism over its lifetime.

Proposed by Cllr B Russell, seconded by Cllr R McKinney, and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** To Approve a grant of £1,000.00 to the Sci Fest Committee

**2339F To consider a grant application from the Butterfield Centre Bourne**

The clerk presented the members with a grant application from the Butterfield Centre. The Council have supported the centre for many years but was currently struggling financially. However over the past few months the Trustees have been trying to implement Changes that could improve the fortunes of the centre.

Obviously there was concern from the members with regard to the viability of the centre.

Cllr J Smith who had declared an interest in this agenda item was allowed to speak.

The members were of the opinion that whilst they wished to support the centre they would like to see a business plan that they could monitor.

Proposed by Cllr D Mapp, seconded by Cllr R McKinney, and

**RESOLVED:** To approve a grant of £3,500.00 to be paid in two tranches and that they should receive a business plan within 6 months

**2340F To receive proposals with regard to the proposed skatepark following the planning meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> February.**

This item had been carried forward from a previous meeting

Cllr Mapp was to lead on this item but from the outset made it clear in any kind of negotiation he would be acting for Bourne United Charities.

Cllr Mapp outlined the scenario for BTC to build the park but be released from any ongoing liability.

- Leaseholder would be Dimension Skatepark (30 years)
- Handing the building agreement to the Town Council. Once all monies received in full these would be handed over to BTC who would then build the park

- Once built the park would be handed back to the trust ensuring any future ongoing liability would rest with them

Cllr Mapp stressed to the members that:

- Tax advice would have to be sought
- That there would be agreement between BTC and BUC
- That Sport England needed to be kept in the loop

Cllr Mapp asked the members if they were happy to pursue this idea?

Proposed by Cllr P Knowles, seconded by Cllr J Kingman, and

**RESOLVED:** To follow the advice of Cllr Mapp. To have a three way discussion BTC/BUC/DM. The two BTC representatives would be Cllr P Knowles and Cllr R Reid

**2341F To discuss any information which the Chairman may legally bring to the Council's attention**

Cllr D Mapp informed the members that the HSBC bank in Bourne would be closing at the end of October

*Due to their being no further items to discuss the chairman brought the meeting to a close at 20.15hrs.*