

MINUTES OF GOSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING
HELD ON
THURSDAY 31st MARCH 2022
AT THE PAVILION, THE PLAYING FIELD, CHURCH ROAD, GOSFIELD AT 7.15PM

Present:

Cllr Bob Waters (Chairman)
Cllr Tricia Edwards (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Jo Beavis
Cllr Mark Bloomfield
Cllr Jo Colyer
Cllr Sam Cowie
Cllr Sara Moutard
Mrs Diane Jacob (Parish Clerk)

22/057 Welcome and Apologies for Absence. The Chairman welcomed everyone, apologies for absence received and accepted from Cllr Hough and Cllr Pawsey (due to family commitments).

22/058 Declaration of Interests.

To receive any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-pecuniary interests, or interests relating to items on the agenda. Members of the council are subject to the Local Authorities Code of Conduct. A non-pecuniary interest (Para 8.1 of Gosfield Parish Council's code of conduct) was received and accepted from Cllr Edwards and Cllr Colyer relating to agenda items 22/060, 22/061, 22/062 and 22/063 (relating to the shop).

22/059 To Exclude the Press and Public.

Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

'That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda Item 22/054 and item 22/055 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business subject to the public bodies admission to meetings Act 1960 Section 1 Sub-section 2.n

Proposed by Cllr Edwards, seconded by Cllr Moutard, all in favour, resolution passed.

22/060 Pavilion Extension.

All Cllrs received a detailed explanation of the cost from the Architect and it was noted that the quotes/tenders received for building an extension onto the pavilion were far in excess of what was expected. Cllr Bloomfield suggested that maybe the Parish Council should have suspended Financial Regulations then the Council would not have had to use and go through Contract Finder this was done for transparency and open to all contactors, however, it was noted that this would have been against the advice of the EALC and the internal and external auditors.

22/061 Future Fund Raising.

Confirmation of handing over future fund raising to the shop committee. Cllr Colyer confirmed that the shop committee are willing to take it on and have the resources and expertise to do so.

It was agreed to form a joint Shop/Parish Council Building committee, to organise the tendering process and it was agreed for the Parish Council to have two representatives on this new committee – Cllr Moutard and Cllr Waters.

Proposed by Cllr Waters, seconded by Cllr Beavis, all in favour, resolution passed.

22/062 “Shop licence – Heads of Terms”.

The draft was discussed in great detail and it was agreed to consult with the community shop committee and the playing field management committee for all parties to consider and agree before getting it officially drawn up by solicitors. Item to be on the next agenda.

Proposed by Cllr Bloomfield, seconded by Cllr Beavis, all in favour, resolution passed.

22/063 Previous Fund Raising.

To discuss and consider funding received to date – this was discussed and after paying for architect’s fees and planning fees etc, it was agreed to pay the shop committee the remaining balance of £2,569.40.

Proposed by Cllr Waters, seconded by Cllr Edwards, all in favour, resolution passed.

22/064 Date of Next Meeting.

Parish Council Meeting Monday 25th April 2022 (7.15pm) in the Pavilion (Note date changed due to Easter Holidays)

Meeting Closed at 9.38pm