



MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2022 AT THE FOLK HALL, 95 HIGH STREET, PORTISHEAD, BS20 6PR

This was a hybrid meeting to enable community participation

Members present:

Councillor Patricia Sterndale (Chairman)
Councillor Paul Gardner (Vice Chairman)
Councillor Ben Aldridge
Councillor Sue Mason
Councillor Nicola Holland
Councillor Tanya Slatter

Councillor Simon Faulkner
Councillor Robert Bull
Councillor Paul Churchill

Members online:

None

Officers present:

Wendy Coulter - Town Clerk (Minutes, Cameras & IT)

Others present:

None

TC22.315 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Alan George and Janet Davey.

TC22.316 Declaration of Councillors' interests and requests for dispensations:

To declare any interests relating to the business of the meeting and receive any dispensation requests from the Clerk (Localism Act 2011 s29-34)

- There were no declarations of interest made in relation to any items on the agenda.

TC22.317 Chairman's announcements

A verbal update report was received from Councillor Sterndale (Town Council Chairman) on the following matters:

Brackenwood Land – The land at Brackenwood has now been transferred to the Town Council for the purchase price of £20,000. The owners of the land will be donating the entire proceeds to local charities. The land comprises of just over 7 acres in total of which 0.7 acres is freehold and the remaining areas is leasehold from North Somerset Council under a 99 year lease commencing in 1993 and ending in 2092. The land will not be used for housing but will be retained as natural woodland. As the land has become very overgrown with bramble and bracken, the first task will be to uncover the original footpaths and tracks so that they can be mapped out. The Town Council will be consulting the public and local community groups to find out how they would like the land to be used for the benefit of the community. Thanks to be passed to the Town Council's Solicitors.

TC22.318 Disposal of Heavens Field Land

Members considered the disposal of land c509 square metres at Heavens Field for the value of £15,000. It was noted that it had previously been agreed by Council in January 2021 minute no TC 20.348 that c.420m of land be disposed of at a value of £15,000.

Officers had discovered that differing plans had been submitted during the sale process and the final plans to be agreed were for a larger area of land.

Requirements of s 123 and s 127 LGA 1972 for the approval and advertisement of the disposal have been complied with.

It was proposed by Councillor R Bull and seconded by Councillor B Aldridge That Council approves the disposal of land C509m at Heavens Field for the value of £15,000. A vote was taken which was unanimous.

Resolved: That Council approves the disposal of land C509 square metres at Heavens Field for the value of £15,000.

TC22.319 Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next Ordinary Town Council meeting is Wednesday 11th January 2023 at 7.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 19.12.

Signed: *P. Sterndale*

Date: 11th January 2023

Chairman of Portishead Town Council