# HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD 15 NOVEMBER 2023

Clirs. Present: Clir Maggie Allingham, Clir Paul Carnell, Clir Ian Corben, Clir Tonia Craig, Clir Cynthia Garton, Clir Leigh Hadaway, Clir Keith House, Clir John Jupe, Clir Lucy Jurd, Clir Rupert Kyrle, Clir Ron Nichols, Clir Derek Pretty, Clir John Shepherd (Chair), Clir Jane Welsh

**In attendance:** Nigel Paterson – Kings Community Church

**1. Apologies:** Cllr Helen Corben, Cllr Jim Mitchell, Cllr Cliff Morris

## 2. Public Questions not on the Agenda

Nigel Paterson asked for an explanation on the housing growth in Hampshire and how this brings about income to each of the Councils. Cllr House responded that the South East is considerably better than elsewhere, however County Councils are faring worse as they have Adult Social Care responsibilities. House building makes marginal difference in the budgets and the income it generates, as there is still a need to provide the infrastructure.

#### 3. Declarations of Interest

None were declared.

## 4. To Receive a Police Report

PCSO Tracey Chilcott was unable to attend, and no reports were received.

5. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 18 October 2023.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 October be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

#### 6. Community Speedwatch Statistics

Cllrs had the previously circulated statistics. There was a discussion about having further detail and the story behind it, is this down to time of day or is it down to the length of time they spent there. It was noted that only 3 sites in Hedge End were actioned. It was raised at a different meeting that there are volunteers willing to be involved but there was no one to train them. The Clerk to seek clarification.

#### 7. Chair's Remarks

Cllr John Shepherd noted that it was a good turnout for Remembrance Parade which went well. The Christmas Lights Switch On is 23 November 2023.

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## 8. Resolved Items for NOTING Only:

- (a) Policy & Resources Committee 7 November 2023 (Minutes P1245, P1247, P1248, P1249, P1250, P1251, P1252, P1253, P1256, P1257 and P1258)
  - That the Minutes of the meeting of the 7 November be received.
- (b) Highways & Planning Committee 4 October 2023 and 18 October 2023
  - (Minute H655, H656 and H660)
  - That the Minutes of the meeting of the 4 October and 18 October be received.
- (c) Recreation & Amenities Committee 8 November 2023 (*Minutes R435, R437i, ii, R438, R439, R440, R441 and R442*)

  That the Minutes of the meeting of the 8 November be received.

## 9. Borough and County Reports

Cllr Cynthia Garton reported that she laid a wreath on behalf of the Eastleigh Borough Council and it the service was excellent and would like to extend thanks to all that organised it. The first Ageas Bowl liaison meeting for some time, took place recently. It was positive to hear about what the Ageas are doing to support women and girls in cricket. Parking issues were raised both in West End and the north of Hedge End. There were issues raised with parking on the new estate where there are unadopted roads.

As chair or HEWEB we met with Chief Inspector Matt Paling. The new Inspector Steve Goodall is aware of the speeding issues in the area. Next HEWEB is Monday 20 November 2023.

Cllr Welsh asked for congratulations go to Rebecca, the trumpeter for the Last Post and Reveille at the remembrance parade.

Cllr Corben noted that there are increasing issues with lack of enforcement now that it's not being managed by Eastleigh and parking issues have increased in the residential areas around Berrywood School.

Cllr House reported that the Borough Council bought a site in Botley off Hampshire County Council to move the local plan forward. Cllr Garton asked about the land around Deer Park School that was allocated in the Local Plan but is sitting empty. Cllr House gave an update that the land was marketed and fell through and has subsequently not been re-marketed due to the current economic climate.

Cllr Tonia Craig reported that the County are consulting on Adult Social Care now amongst other items. Full details of the consultations can be found here: <a href="https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/09112023Futurespendingplans">https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/09112023Futurespendingplans</a>

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Cllr Rupert Kyrle reported that County Universal Services will be affected by the budget cuts, such as school crossing patrols, preventative highway maintenance, streetlights, household waste recycling centres, libraries and any subsidised services such as community transport. Proposals will be subject to further consultation.

Cllr Garton asked about the lack of School Crossing Patrols on Maunsell Way and Grange Road. Cllr House confirmed the posts were advertised.

Cllr Rupert Kyrle mentioned the Botley Bypass and the lack of progress onsite. There are plans to let Phase 2 to a contractor and there have been some changing designs to the junction at Pinkmead.

Cllr Pretty asked about the section from Maypole Roundabout to Pavilion Road. Cllr Kyrle commented that some resurfacing has taken place with the intention to complete the works at a later date.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 20:25pm.