HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD 15 MAY 2024

Cllrs. Present: Cllr Maggie Allingham, Cllr Paul Carnell, Cllr Helen Corben, Cllr Ian Corben, Cllr Leigh Hadaway, Cllr Keith House, Cllr John Jupe, Cllr Rupert Kyrle, Cllr Jim Mitchell (Chair), Cllr Ron Nichols, Cllr Derek Pretty, Cllr John Shepherd, Cllr Jane Welsh

In attendance:

1. Apologies: Cllr Tonia Craig, Cllr Cynthia Garton, Cllr Lucy Jurd, Cllr Cliff Morris

2. Public Questions not on the Agenda

3. Declarations of Interest
None were declared.

4. To Receive a Police Report
The Clerk updated the meeting that Sgt Hannam has now left Hedge End. Cllr John Shepherd asked if the PCC was still attending a future meeting, now she has been re-elected.

5. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20 March 2024.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 20 March be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

6. Chair's Remarks
Cllr Jim Mitchell noted that he was extremely grateful to be elected as Chair of Council.

Cllr John Shepherd as retiring chair noted that it was an excellent year and whilst there was not as much to do as the previous Jubilee year it was still thoroughly enjoyable.

7. Resolved Items for NOTING Only:

(a) Highways & Planning Committee – 6 March 2024 and 20 March 2024 (Minute H700, H701 and H705)
That the Minutes of the meeting of the 6 March and 20 March be received.

(b) Policy & Resources Committee – 2 April 2024 and 7 May 2024. (Minute P1299, P1300, P1301, P1302, P1306, P1311, P1313, P1314, P1315, P1316, P1317, P1320 and P1321)
That the Minutes of the meeting of the 2 April and 7 May be received.

(c) Recreation & Amenities Committee – 10 April 2024 and 8 May 2024. (Minute R480i, R481, R488 and R489)
That the Minutes of the meeting of the 10 April and 8 May be received.

8. Borough and County Reports

Cllr Ian Corben noted that Cllr House and Pretty were re-elected for Hedge End at the Borough elections. The next HEWEB meeting is on the 10 June 2024.

Cllr Rupert Kyrle noted that with the Borough elections people were raising issues such as potholes and the late delivery of the Botley Bypass. The Botley Bypass is still in design for the bridge elementary and then the second phase will go back through the budget process which is expected to take until 2025. The Western Gateway (previous phase 1) which is the section from Hillers to Maypole will now be moved to later in the phasing. The HCC Regulatory Committee discussed the quarry application at Hamble Airfield. There was lots of representation from County Councillors to Local Councillors, residents' groups and the schools. Natural England also made late representation about habitats. The application was subsequently refused.

Cllr House noted that additional measures were to object on traffic grounds and the natural habitat. Others that weren't taken forward including the application being in the local gap. Cllr House also reported that Cllr Rob Humby is standing down as Leader of the County Council.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 20:04pm.