HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD 18 DECEMBER 2024

Cllrs. Present: Cllr Paul Carnell, Cllr Tonia Craig, Cllr Leigh Hadaway, Cllr Keith House, Cllr Rupert Kyrle, Cllr Jim Mitchell (Chair), Cllr Ron Nichols, Cllr John Shepherd

1. Apologies: Cllr Maggie Allingham**,** Cllr Helen Corben, Cllr Ian Corben, Cllr Cynthia Garton, Cllr John Jupe, Cllr Lucy Jurd, Cllr Cliff Morris, Cllr Derek Pretty, Cllr Jane Welsh

2. Public Questions not on the Agenda

Nigel Paterson asked about the reckless driving that was discussed in the September meeting and if there was anything further that could be done. There was a question about lobbying a national body to achieve a greater impact as this issue must be occurring elsewhere.

3. Declarations of Interest

None were declared.

4. To Receive a Police Report

PCSO Tracey Chilcott was not in attendance, although she had provided an update. The Safer Roads team have been monitoring Maunsell Way with a TagMaster. There is a pre-planned Road Op following the illegal car meet on Woodhouse Lane, supported by partner agencies, officers will be talking to residents. ASB patrols have been ongoing in the St Luke's and Wellstead area. A number of youths have been arrested and investigations are ongoing for assaults. An arrest was made following the robbery at Tesco Express.

Cllr Craig noted that we need to make sure members of public keep reporting incidents as the police will follow up.

5. Speedwatch results.

Cllrs noted there was no surprises in the report with Maunsell Way and Turnpike.

6. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 18 November 2024.

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

7. 2000 Centre Roof Replacement

The Clerk reported on the proposed works for the 2000 Centre Roof Replacement noting that the original supplier of the same specification tile was not willing to guarantee the replacement roof as it no longer met their standards. The roofing contractor has been sourcing an alternative and the

manufacturer specification team will be attending site in the new year. The tile is a 90% recycled polymer. The roofer will then cost this again based on the new materials.

8. Chair's Remarks

Cllr Jim Mitchell had no reports to make.

9. Resolved Items for NOTING Only:

(a) Highways & Planning Committee – 6 November 2024 and 20 November 2024
(Minute H756, H757 and H761)
That the Minutes of the meeting of the 6 November and 20 November be received.

(b) Policy & Resources Committee – 3 December 2024
(Minute P1378 and P1381)
That the Minutes of the meeting of the 3 December be received.

(c) Recreation & Amenities Committee – 11 December 2024.
(Minute R528i, ii, R529i, ii and R530)
That the Minutes of the meeting of the 11 December be received.

10. Borough and County Reports

Cllr Leigh Hadaway reported that the HEWEB Youth Grant application process is now open.

Cllr Keith House reported on the Government White Paper on Devolution published this week. The government aims to create Strategic Authorities (previously combined authorities) to take on some functions from central government including planning, transport, Fire Authority and Police & Crime Commissioner. For some part of the Country the government is keen to fast track some of the two-tier areas into unitaries. The intention is that unitary model should not delay the creation of the strategic authority. The Local Government financial settlement changes will not impact locally. There is a proposed change to the audit system which will pick up some of the regulatory and standards framework. Eastleigh are keen to see that services remain locally and protected for the future.

The revised national planning policy framework has also been published. The planned increase in housing in Eastleigh has moved from approx. 600 to 900 per year.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 20:06pm.