BURGHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Communications Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday 19 January 2023 Time: 6.30pm

Place: West Wing, Burghfield Village Hall, Recreation Road, Burghfield

Present: Cllr L Sharp (Chairman) Cllr A Gallagher

Cllr N Morse Cllr B Neilson

Cllr T Ansell Cllr R Thorrington

Cllr J Ansell

Apologies: Cllr D Godwin

1.0123 To report, approve and record apologies for absence (and the reasons) from members of the Parish Council

Apologies for absence were presented and approved from members for Cllr D Godwin.

2.0123 Declaration of any personal or financial interests & Applications for Dispensations

No Declarations or applications for dispensations were presented by members in attendance.

3.0123 Minutes of the last meeting of the Committee

The minutes of the last meeting of the Communications Committee held on 13 October 2022 were confirmed a correct record and signed by the presiding Chairman.

4.0123 Parish Newsletter

i) To review the December edition of the Newsletter and consider articles for March

Members discussed the December edition of the newsletter, having been distributed prior to the Christmas period. The following articles are to be included within the next edition, scheduled for distribution early March:

- Nominate a neighbour, Skate Park upgrade, Calendar of events for the year, Public toilet, Kings Coronation event in Mortimer, Café update, CCTV update & ASB, Committee overview, Cllr profiles and election information, Precept update, stall holders, volunteers for the organisation of community events, events planning meeting.
- ii) To give consideration to the undertaking of community consultation regarding the newsletter and its distribution

<u>Resolved</u>: To include an article in the March edition of the newsletter to encourage community consultation regarding the frequency, distribution, and overall view of the newsletter. A link to a survey is to be provided. A QR code is also to be included to encourage people to register for receiving the newsletter electronically.

5.0123 Community Events

Overview and wash-up further to Burghfield on Ice being held in December 2022

Members discussed the Burghfield on Ice event, deeming it to be a huge success. A separate meeting is to be held to discuss the progression of Burghfield on Ice for 2023.

ii) To determine any specific actions required to progress the schedule of events for 2023/2024

A separate community events scheduling meeting is to be established for February to progress the annual events accordingly.

Discussions were held in relation to the Kings Coronation being scheduled in Mortimer. Communications are to be held with the organisers to determine any assistance required from Burghfield.

Parish Council representation is scheduled for the May Fayre on 21st May 2023. Members are to determine the format and layout of the tall to encourage participation and

community feedback.

Members discussed the format for the Community Sports Day scheduled for Sunday 16th July 2023. The item is to be discussed in further detail at the community events scheduling meeting in February.

6.0123 Parish Council website

i) To give consideration to a review of the parish council website and display of information

Resolved: To undertake a review of the information currently held on the parish website and determine whether the way in which it is displayed is the most accessible for users. Each member is to provide their feedback at the next meeting with a meeting to be established to determine the overall purpose of the website. A quotation is t be obtained for the upgrade required.

ii) To give consideration to the development of a Village Hall specific website

<u>Resolved</u>: To obtain quotations for the establishment of a Village Hall specific website, with a bookings calendar visible for potential hirers to view available slots.

7.0123 <u>Environmental Initiatives</u>

 To consider any proposals or specific actions in relation to any potential environmental initiatives

Residents are to be further encouraged to receive the newsletter via email and advised all editions are available for viewing via the parish website.

8.0123 Communication & Community engagement

i) To give consideration to improved methods for community engagement and communication

Upon the Support & Communications officer being in place, the parameters for community engagement and communication are to be established for progression.

ii) To identify any specific actions for the Support & Communications officer

<u>Resolved:</u> To request the support & communications officer undertakes the following actions upon their recruitment: Review of parish website, distribution of newsletter, newsletter consultation, weekly review on social media & website.

9.0123 Matters for Future Discussion -

10.0123 Items for information Only

Conclusion - The Chairman closed the meeting at 19.42pm.