

BERKHAMSTED TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Meeting of the
TRANSPORT & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

Held in the Main Hall at the Civic Centre

on Monday 14 February 2022 at 19.40 hrs

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors N Taylor (Vice Chair)
 S Cloughton
 P Fisher
 A Foster
 T Porter
 G Stevens

ALSO PRESENT:

Town Councillors G Corry

Officer: T Noakes – Town Clerk (Minutes)

Opening Matters and Governance

TE 01/22 To receive **apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence was received from Councillors W Conian, M Hardinge and A Peeler.

TE 02/22 To receive **Declarations of Interest** regarding items on the agenda

No declarations of interest were received.

TE 03/22 To **approve the minutes of the previous meeting** held on 13 December 2021

The minutes of the meeting on the 13 December 2021 were **approved**.

Actions from T&E Committee held on 13 December 2021

| Reference | Action | Complete | Outstanding - Responsibility |
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| 55/21 | Write to the Esso & Shell garages in Berkhamsted to find out their plans for EV charging. | Yes | Town Clerk |
| 56/21 | Continuing support for Angle Passage Flower Bed | Yes | Town Clerk |

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| 59/21 | Contact HCC to progress installation of Newt Ladders | Yes | Town Clerk |
| 60/21 | Bus Service Consultancy Project to be progressed | Yes | Town Clerk/Project Officer |
| 61/21 | Agree when the Berkhamsted Great Big Green event for 2022 should take place | Outstanding | Project Officer |
| 63/21 | Continue consultation with Transition Town Berkhamsted to deliver the Air Quality Survey project | Yes | Project Officer |

- (i) Committee asked for the terms and reference and the objectives of Community Action Berkhamsted to be included on the agenda for the next T&E on 25 April 2022. **Action – Town Clerk**

TE 04/22 Chair’s Communications

- (i) Thames Water had agreed to attend the next T&E meeting on the 25 April 2022. This would include information on sewage releases into the Canal and improvements at the Berkhamsted Sewage Treatment Works (STW). **Action – Town Clerk**

TE 05/22 Public Participation

To suspend Standing Orders so that **members of the public might speak**.

No members of the public were present.

REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES

TE 06/22 Hertfordshire County Councillor N Taylor

Councillor N Taylor gave an update on HCC matters as follows:

- (i) Highways Locality Budget will be allocated to the resurfacing of the west end of Bridgewater Road, the bridge end of Castle Street and a footpath renewal on Cowper Road.
- (ii) Areas of focus for 2022/23 remain as traffic calming/20mph zones and drainage issues across Berkhamsted. Speeding on Shootersway will be raised as an item on the next T&E Committee meeting on 25 April 2022.
- (iii) HCC has offered each division 2 new salt bins. Castle ward was identified as in need of salt bins. Bridle Way/Bridgewater and Dellfield Close/Egerton Road are possible locations. It was agreed that Councillors N Taylor & G Stevens will decide the final locations.
- (iv) **Post Meeting Note** - Based on the map available at the following link [https://webmaps.hertfordshire.gov.uk/highwayspublic/index.htm?layers=\[12:0\]](https://webmaps.hertfordshire.gov.uk/highwayspublic/index.htm?layers=[12:0]) Further possible locations are:

- By Bridgewater School.

- Middle of Bridgewater Road. (Near Delahay Rise/ South Park Gardens junctions).
- Hill Top Road.
- Top of Shrublands Avenue.

TE 07/22 Berkhamsted Castle Trust

- (i) An update from the Berkhamsted Castle Trust would be forwarded after the meeting. **Action – Town Clerk**

TRANSPORT

TE 08/22 Berkhamsted Bus Service Consultancy

- (i) The update from TAS Consulting on the Bus Service project (written update from TAS Consulting) was **received and noted**.

ENVIRONMENT

TE 09/22 Rural Community Environmental Fund (RCEF)

- (i) The Berkhamsted Town Council RCEF application to the Energy Hub was **received and noted**. The application was lodged with the Energy Hub on 4 February 2022.

TE 10/22 Air Quality Survey

- (i) Committee **received** an update on project progress and **approved Option A** (undertake monitoring using local partnership) as the operating model for project delivery. It was estimated that this option could take up to 12 months to deliver results.
Action – Town Clerk, Project Officer

TE 11/22 Berkhamsted Coat of Arms

- (i) Committee **approved** the application to be made for a Royal Licence to have the Coat of Arms of the former Borough of Berkhamsted (colloquially referred to as the Berkhamsted Coat of Arms) formally transferred to Berkhamsted Town Council. **Action – Town Clerk**

TE 12/22 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 21.09 hours.

Signed

Date