BUCKHURST HILL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF BUCKHURST HILL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00pm on FRIDAY 17 DECEMBER 2021 AT BUCKHURST HILL LIBRARY

PRESENT Cllrs: Mr S Heap (Vice Chair)

Mr G Chambers Bagshaw

Mr D Saunders Mrs J Share Bernia Mr K Williamson Mr M Vance

In attendance: Mrs E P Petyt-Start (Clerk)

Mr M Letch

086/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies for absence received from Cllrs Goodfellow, Hall, Neville Redelinghuys and West.

087/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interests received.

088/21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public.

089/21 STANDING ORDERS

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1) MOTION

Proposer: Cllr Vance & Seconder Cllr Williamson

This Council agrees that it should be held to account by members of the public. In order to facilitate this effectively, this Council will amend its Standing Orders (deleting clause 1.7 and amending 5.5) to allow members of the public to ask questions without pre-registration and without indicating which item they wish to speak on.

RESOLVED by majority

2) MOTION

Proposer Cllr Saunders & Seconder Cllr Chambers-Bagshaw

"This Council agrees to amend its Standing Orders in order that the Agenda Item which relates to "District and County Councillor Participation" (Agenda Item 4) should be expanded to enable those elected representatives to report on matters, or raise concerns that are of relevance to the Parish Council."

RESOLVED unanimously.

3) MOTION

Proposer Cllr Gav Chambers-Bagshaw and Seconder Cllr Share-Bernia

"In light of the way in which the previous meeting on 25 November 2021 was chaired and considering the Councillor Code of Conduct in relation to (a) talking over each other whilst speaking, and (b) accusations of 'liar' being shouted out, this Council agrees to amend Standing Orders to tape/ record all future meetings in the interest of Members and Public safety"

RESOLVED unanimously

It was unanimously AGREED to authorise the Clerk to purchase and enable software to live-stream meetings, then store and index them for permanent retrieval.

090/21 BUDGETTING

MOTION

Proposer Cllr Saunders and Seconder Cllr Share-Bernia

"This Council acknowledges it was a mistake to increase staff salaries prior to the budget setting process being concluded and acknowledges that in future any such proposal should be considered when finalising the budget and precept for the next municipal year"

RESOVLED by majority

091/21 CHRISTMAS ON QUEENS ROAD

Councillors would have liked to have been informed about the proposed light switch on event and feel something could have been arranged if organised sooner. It was felt the Council should plan to hold an event in future and make sure the disappointment doesn't happen again.

A discussion on the outcome of the working party Christmas 2021 in Queens Road was held.

092/21 MEETINGS

- a) The cancellation of the P and E committee meeting of 2nd December was noted
- b) Members should be added to the committee to ensure this doesn't happen in future

093/21 FORWARD PLAN

It was agreed the items on the agenda will be covered by the budget and precept process at the ordinary council meeting in January

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