

## **FORDINGBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 8:07 pm.**

**(Minutes draft until approved at the following meeting of the Committee)**

**Present:** Cllr Wilson– Chair  
Cllrs Adams, Earth, Goldsmith, Lewendon and Hale

**In Attendance:** Rachel Edwards, Asst Town Clerk  
Cllr Paton (Public Gallery)  
A representative from the Salisbury Journal

**1. To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Millar and Perkins

**2. To receive any declarations of interest**

No declarations of interest.

**3. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 and report on any matters arising.**

Cllr Earth proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Lewendon and therefore **RESOLVED**: that the minutes of the meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 be signed as a true record.

No matters arising.

**4. To receive any matters raised by members of the public**

No matters raised.

**5. To report on any matters concerning St Marys Closed Churchyard and Stuckton Road Cemetery**

Nothing to report.

**6. Matters relating to the Town Hall**

Cllr Hale reported that the Clerk is collating feedback from the three proposed plans for the Town Hall. He asked that the Clerk circulate the preferred plan to Members with comments and contact the architect to make any necessary changes to the plans.

**Action: Clerk to do the above**

**7. To report on any matters relating to the Information Office**

Nothing to report.

**8. To report any matters concerning footpaths**

- Jobs for Lengthsman – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022  
Cllr Goldsmith reported that Witts Way is overgrown.

**9. To report on any matters concerning Allotments**

Members queried when the allotments at Augustus Park would be handed over. They noted that the topsoil is very poor and needs replacing. Cllr Earth noted that it was probably too late to grow on them this year.

**Action: Clerk to ask NFDC whether Penny Farthing Homes will replace the topsoil and repair the hole in the fence at the allotments. Also, when the allotments will be handed over to FTC.**

Cllr Wilson reported that there have been complaints about the smell emanating from the community composter. Fordingbridge Greener Living will ask the company if anything different can be done to reduce the smell during the hot weather.

**10. To consider the provision of summer activities**

Cllr Wilson proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Earth and therefore **RESOLVED**: to pay £600 for Turn Up For Fun (TUFF) to provide 6 play sessions at Whitsbury Road Play Area from 10am – 12 noon on Wednesdays 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> August. The sessions would be provided free of charge to the public.

**11. To note any items of correspondence**

No items of correspondence.

**12. To receive a report from the Clerk or any other relevant business**

Nothing further to report.

**13. To note the date of the next meeting as 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022**

The meeting finished at 8.17pm.