

Macclesfield Town Council Full Council Minutes

The minutes of the meeting to be held on the 3rd October 2022 at 7pm at Macclesfield Town Hall.

In Attendance:

Cllr Fiona Wilson

Cllr Sarah Bennett-Wake

Cllr David Edwardes

Cllr Alift Harewood

Cllr Janet Jackson MBE

Cllr Sandy Livingstone

Cllr Ruth Thompson

Cllr Mick Warren

Cllr Chris Wilcock

1 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Lloyd Roberts

Cllr Neil Puttick

Cllr Mike Hutchison

2 Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interests from members relevant to items under discussion at the meeting.

Public Questions

The meeting was adjourned to invite comments and questions from the public.

Beverley Dooley asked the following questions:

The Council seems to have a lot of high capital spend for example the Pavilion, if the lottery bid is unsuccessful how will it be paid for. Also the Town Council is taking on responsibility for winter gritting and the lighting on the Middlewood Way, how will that be funded. Plus, there is the Community Enforcement officer and the potential asset transfer of the Visitor Information centre, how will this be paid for?

The Mayor replied saying that as it was a very detailed set of questions the clerk would provide a written report.

The meeting was then reconvened.

3 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 25th July 2022

Resolved: The minutes were approved.

4 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Resolved: There were no matters arising.

5 Planning Committee Minutes

- 5.1 Planning Committee Minutes 22nd July 2022
- 5.2 Planning Committee Minutes 12th August 2022
- 5.3 Planning Committee Minutes 2nd September 2022

The minutes were noted.

5.4 Matters arising from the minutes.

There were no matters arising.

6 Finance Committee Minutes

6.1 Finance Committee Minutes 5th September 2022

The minutes were noted.

6.2 Matters arising from the minutes.

There were no matters arising.

6.3 Spend to date

The spend to date (end of Jul 22) of £265,171 was approved.

7 Community Delivery

7.1 Local Police Unit

Constable Matthew Bassirat attended from the Local Policing Unit. He updated the Council that the PSPO for the town centre is now in place, and they were waiting for signs from Cheshire East Council. He also updated the Council that Inspector Arron Cooper had left, and the contact now was Christian Watkins.

Cllr Livingstone and Cllr Jackson would like regular ward walks with their PCSO.

Cllr Warren asked if there was extra staffing on bonfire night as it attracts ASB. Constable Bassirat said they are making a list of events on that night and there would be extra police.

Cllr Harewood-Jones asked if the new PSCO on the Weston is ready to do rounds.

Cllr Edwardes stated that there have been burglaries at Tytherington Ward, and he has never received a report. He still has not seen his PC or the PSCO who is injured and has been off a lot.

Cllr Wilcock has met with new PSCO on Broken Cross and Upton.

Clerk will email all Councilor's emails again to the LPU.

7.2 CAB Report

The report was noted.

7.3 CCTV

The Clerk reported that there had been 1651 incidents that CCTV had observed/ dealt with. Cllr Wilcock had visited CCTV and found it a very useful experience.

8 Governance Review

8.1 Risk Register

Resolved: The policy was approved.

8.2 Financial Regulations

Resolved: The policy was approved.

8.3 Mayor's Civic Award Policy

Resolved: The policy was approved.

9 Notice of Conclusion of Audit for the Year ended 31 March 2022

The report was noted.

10 Florals ITT

Resolved: The proposal in the report was approved.

11 South Park Pavilion Update

Resolved: The proposal was approved.

12 Community Enforcement Update

The report was noted.

13 Town Centre Recovery Working Group

The report was noted.

14 Mid Year Review of Plan of Priorities for 2022/23

The progress and updates were noted.

15 Date/Time and Place of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Full Council will be held on 12th December 2022 at 7pm, at Macclesfield Town Hall.