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## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 AT 6.30 P.M. IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cllrs: S-A. Wadsworth, P Buxton, Z Neelson, A. Lowe, , R Garwood, C Nix, , L Toseland, D Romney

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** B Tassell (Town Clerk), K. Geraghty (Deputy Clerk) and 28 members of Public

**APOLOGIES:** Cllrs:, D Graham H Williams, P Ainsley

Cllr Wadsworth opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

### 12/2022-01 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies had been received from Cllr Romney(Holiday) and Cllr Graham 9 work Commitments) These apologies was unanimously ACCEPTED by the Council (Proposed Cllr Toseland, Seconded Cllr Buxton).

**12/2022/02 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION:** There were none.

### 11/2022/03 DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: A

Councillor Romney proposed that due to the number of deputations expected that Standing orders be suspended to allow the public time to speak fully. This was seconded by Cllr Nix and **APPROVED** with 3 abstentions.

A deputation was made from UPP Broadband letting the Council know that the Broadband service would be going live in the coming weeks and the work that was ongoing to enable this. This was noted by Council.

The Council heard a number of deputations regarding the proposed skate park agenda item. These were noted by Council

Following the Deputations it was proposed to resume Standing orders (Proposed Cllr Romney and Seconded Cllr Neelson). This was unanimously **APPROVED**

**12/2022-04 FULL COUNCIL** The minutes from the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 were **APPROVED** (proposed Cllr Buxton, seconded Cllr Lowe) as a true and accurate record with one abstention.

### 12/2022-05 COUNCILLOR'S QUESTIONS

No questions had been submitted

Chairman: .....

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**12/2022-06 CLERK'S REPORT:**

There were no updates provided by the Clerk. All relevant items had been included in the agenda.

**12/2022-07 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** The Chairman updated the Council. This was noted.

**12/2022-08 . WORKING GROUPS AND OUTSIDE BODIES**

- 8.1 To receive and consider reports from members, working groups and outside bodies. There were no updates this month.
- 8.2 Events Update. This item has been covered in the Chairman's report.
- 8.3 as Cllr Williams was absent from the meeting and unable to present paper 2022/ regarding the planting of Trees in Cutts Close. It was

**12/2022-09 TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

There was one item of correspondence relating to item 11 on the agenda.

**12/2022-10 FINANCIAL AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

10.1 Payments for Approval These were **AGREED** as a true and accurate record (proposed Cllr Romney and seconded Cllr Toseland) with one against and one abstention.

10.2 Bank Reconciliation as at 30 November 2022 These were **AGREED** as a true and accurate record (proposed Cllr Romney and seconded Cllr Toseland) with one against and one abstention.

10.3 Budget 2023-2024 – The Clerk updated the meeting as to the budget progress and circulated the rough working documents. The Clerk confirmed that a further finance meeting would take place in the coming weeks to finalise the documents to present to Council. For approval. The Clerk requested that any spending proposals be submitted as a matter of urgency so that they may be included in the calculations.

10.4 Grant Applications: The Queen Elizabeth memorial sculpture grant application had been withdrawn so was not discussed.

**12/2022-11 SKATE PARK**

Cllr Neelson updated the meeting as to the findings of the Skatepark working group. Discussions were had as to the proposal. It was Proposed by Cllr Neelson and seconded Cllr Romney to agree the proposals of the Skate Park working Group. This motion failed with 2 votes in favour, 4 votes against and 2 abstentions.

It was proposed and AGREED (proposed Cllr Lowe, seconded Cllr Romney) to suspend Standing orders for a few minutes to take a short break.

At this point (19.25) Cllr Neelson and 28 of the public left the meeting.

Standing orders resumed at 19.35.

Chairman: .....



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**2022/1311/PTA 13 The Vale Oakham Rutland LE15 T10**

1 no. Ash tree to be reduced by no more than 4 metres on the garden side only to clear it away from the garden. There were **NO OBJECTIONS** to this proposal

**2022/1143/FUL Land Between Barleythorpe And Oakham Holbrook Way Barleythorpe**  
Replacement of House type 3402 with 3401 for plots 175-177 & 184-186 - in relation to planning approval 2021/0859/RES. There were **NO OBJECTIONS** to this proposal

**2022/1372/CAT The Lodge Stamford Road Oakham Rutland**  
Cut back 11 no. Yew Trees overhanging the boundary wall by up to 1 metre to minimise poisonous berries falling into the Children's Centre garden where children play. There were **NO OBJECTIONS** to this proposal

**2022/1375/FUL 25 Alsthorpe Road Oakham Rutland LE15 6FD**  
Rear extension and internal works There were **NO OBJECTIONS** to this proposal

**2022/0927/FUL 14 Catmose Park Road Oakham Rutland LE15 6HN**  
Single storey rear extension and new roof finish to existing, landscaping works and heat pump – Revised Plans There were **NO OBJECTIONS** to this proposal but it was requested that Rutland County Council take into consideration the potential noise of the proposed heat pump.

**12/2022-13 REQUEST TO USE CUTTS CLOSE**

Paper 2022/34 Submitted by Cllr Wadsworth regarding the use of Cutts Close for the Gay Pride Day in 2023 was (proposed Cllr Wadsworth, seconded Cllr Lowe) and unanimously **APPROVED**

Paper 2022/29 Submitted by Cllr Wadsworth regarding the use of Cutts Close for Hollands Fair was (proposed Cllr Lowe, seconded Cllr Wadsworth) unanimously **APPROVED**. It was requested that the pricing of the hire of Cutts Close are to be reviewed in the coming months to ensure that the Council are receiving a fair price for this service.

**12/2022-14 EXEMPT ITEM**

To consider the following resolution: "That, in view of the confidential nature of the following agenda item, the press and public be excluded from the meeting, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, section 1"

As the Staffing meeting scheduled for the 7<sup>th</sup> December had been postponed there is nothing to discuss under Item 15 and therefore there was no need to go into closed Session.

**12/2022-15 STAFFING ISSUES**

There was nothing to discuss.

**12/2022-16 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:** 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023 @ 6.30pm

The meeting Closed at 19.55

Chairman: .....



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