



Minutes of a Town Business Committee held on Monday 26th June 2023 at 7.00pm at the Town Hall

Present: Councillors Mike Davis (Committee Chair), John Callinan (Committee Vice Chair), Keith Creighton, Mark Edwards, Carol Kambites, Gary Powell and Wendy Thomson

In Attendance: Jacqui Sanders (Deputy Clerk) and a representative of Child Led Tutors

Attendees were reminded that the Proceedings of the meeting could be filmed, photographed or recorded.

A representative of Child Led Tutors attended and was given the opportunity to address the committee when agenda item B/554 was discussed.

B/547 To receive apologies

Apologies were given by Cllr Theresa Watt

B/548 To appoint the Business Committee Convener/Chair

A Business Committee Convener/Chair was appointed at the previous meeting, item B/529.

B/549 To appoint the Business Committee Vice Chair

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B/550 To receive Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

B/551 To approve the minutes of the Business Committee meeting held on 24th April '23

Committee APPROVED the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting, subject to amendment to agenda item B/540 which needs to reflect the working group convenors.

Chair motioned to move agenda item B/554 to be the next item on the agenda.
Committee approved.

B/554 To approve the grant application from Child Led Tutors CIC

The representative from Child Led Tutors was invited to talk in support of her

application. Child Led Tutors is for home educated children to be able to undertake learning activities in groups whilst socialising with each other. They already offer science, dance and football activities. The grant would be for materials for Art & Craft sessions. The activities take place in the Community Centre. The representative was unsure of how many families from Stonehouse attended but thought it was a couple. Child Led Tutors were signposted to Gloucestershire County Council and Gloucester Gateway Trust for further funding.

The representative was thanked for attending and assured a decision would be made and she would be informed.

The committee said that while it was a worthy cause, as only a couple of families from Stonehouse attended, they felt they could not offer the whole amount requested but APPROVED a grant of £300.

B/552 To receive the latest budget position

Committee RECEIVED the budget report but wanted clarification of expenditure 1140/2.

Council NOTED the budget report with an 'Actual Net Income' of £622.50; an 'Actual Net' Expenditure of £42,004.39 and a Reserve Expenditure of £610.00.

B/553 To approve the latest payments list

Committee APPROVED the payment list totaling £21,148.34.

B/555 To consider the provision of Internet access to the town council's Pavilion and Workshop

Committee understood the need for broadband access in the workshop and Pavilion and RECOMMENDED to Full Council the decision to APPROVE installation of Sky broadband in the Workshop, Pavilion and Pod.

B/556 To recommend for town council approval obtaining a survey for the safe removal of asbestos in the old changing rooms at Oldends Lane.

Committee APPROVED the decision to use the contractor, Smiths, to undertake the survey. Due to Financial Regulations 4.1, it is not necessary to refer to Full Council.

Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

The Council will by resolution exclude the public from the following items as due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted publicity of the item would be prejudicial to the public interest.

B/557 To receive an update on the town council's discussions with the Market CIC
Update RECEIVED.

B/558 To receive updates from the following working groups:

1. **Climate Change Action Forum**
Not met.
2. **Oldends Lane Development**
Next meeting is Tuesday 27th June 2023 at 9.30am.
3. **Support Stonehouse**
Not met. Will meet when needed.
4. **Youth**

The Door has produced its latest report, it will be circulated to all councillors shortly.

5. Policy

Not met.

6. Internal Audit Panel

Nothing to report at present.

B/559 To note the date of the next meeting - Monday 17th July 2023
Committee NOTED the date and time of the next meeting.

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