



Broadclyst Parish Council  
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**Members Present: Chairman Cllr Massey**

**Members: Cllrs Chamberlain, Gent, Lewis, Pepper, Rhodes, K**

**Straw, L Straw,**

**In attendance: Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Neighbourhood Plan**

**Officer**

**MOP: 0**

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### **Broadclyst Parish Council Full Council meeting**

**Press and Public were welcome to attend the public questions session.**

There were 2 items for discussion under part B (exclusion of press and public).

There was an Ordinary Council meeting of Broadclyst Parish Council on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020** at **19:00hrs** held virtually via Microsoft Teams for the purpose of transacting the following business, continuing with Part B items from the adjourned meeting on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020:

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### **MINUTES (Draft)**

#### **20/112 MEMBERS**

- i. **Present:** Members present and the method / platform by which they attended are recorded at the top of this page.
- ii. **Apologies:** The Council received apologies from Cllr Baker and Cllr Rylance.

#### **20/113 DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Members were reminded to declare any new or existing interests.

***Standing Orders were suspended:***

#### **20/114 PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no requests from members of the public to make representations

***The meeting reconvened under Standing Orders***

## **20/115 PART B: CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

The Chairman proposed that the meeting moves into Part B (exclusion of press and public) as the next items for discussion contain matters of a sensitive, confidential, and/or contractual detail. This was unanimously agreed.

## **20/116 BOWLS GREEN REVIEW**

*This item met the criteria for exclusion due to some of the content being of a commercially sensitive nature.*

Further to the Finance Committee's decision on 18th May 2020 (Minute ref F20/033) to maintain the Bowls Green at a minimal level and its decision on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020 (Minute Ref F20/046) to reduce the cost of bowls green maintenance:

- i. The Council considered the funding of the autumn maintenance. It was generally felt that there would be a cost to recovery of the green if it is not maintained and so that there is a need to keep up basic maintenance of the green. The public value of the asset to the community was noted.  
**Motion Proposal:** Cllr K Straw proposed that the Council agrees to maintain the bowls green at a minimum level until the decision has been taken as to its future.  
 Vote: 6 in favour; 1 against.  
**Resolution:** Motion carried.
- ii. The Council has received 16 letters of support for and 2 letters against the public funding of the bowls green. It was noted that the forward plan for the bowls green will be informed through the community consultation process.

## **20/117 DRAFT NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

*This item met the criteria for exclusion due to some of the content being of a confidential and commercially sensitive nature.*

### **i. Neighbourhood Plan progress report**

The Council considered a report from Cllr Lewis on the continuation of the Neighbourhood Plan. Members debated the findings of the report, noting timelines. There was a general consensus to continue to progress the Plan as it is so near to Regulation 14.

**Proposal:** It was proposed by Cllr Massey to thank Cllr Lewis for his report and for his offer to support the Neighbourhood Plan Officer with weekly monitoring of progress to feed back to Council as its monthly meetings. This was seconded by Cllr Pepper.

Vote: 6 in favour; 1 against.

**Resolution:** Motion carried.

### **ii. Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan**

The Council received the draft Broadclyst Neighbourhood Plan and considered its release for public consultation. Members comments included:

- that the consultation should be progressed without further delay;
- that the document is very technical, which may not be inclusive for a community consultation;
- that the draft contained some very exciting and powerful policies including the Council's first climate change policy, which could be one of the first NP's in the

country to contain such policies. These are strong policies that East Devon District Council might want to discuss before the draft Plan goes out for public consultation.

The Neighbourhood Plan Officer responded to these comments by confirming that the EDDC is expecting the draft Plan so can return its response in a short timeframe. The Broadclyst Neighbourhood Plan has been awarded additional technical support from Locality in recognition of its ambitious policies for housing and climate change. Both organisations will help make NP policies watertight.

The Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan consultation was also considered; it was noted that Electoral services excludes the Christmas and New Year period for public consultation. It was further noted that the method of releasing the draft Plan to the public needed to be considered, along with the cost of printing and likelihood of consultation-fatigue.

*NB: Cllr Pepper was absent from the meeting between 19:42-19:49*

**Proposal:** It was proposed by Cllr Gent to approve the draft plan for public release for consultation. This was seconded Cllr Lewis, subject to 'tidying-up' and finishing the draft, taking on board comments made by Councillors.

**Vote:** 6 in favour; 1 against.

**Motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION: That the Council releases a final draft of the Broadclyst Neighbourhood Plan.**

Following this resolution, the Finance Chairman referred to the Minute to give delegation to the Chairman and Finance Chair to work with Cllrs Francis and Rylance and the Clerk to progress the community consultation with a budget of £1,000 (Minute ref 20/104(ii)(a) on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020), reporting that in accordance with Minute 19/186c a meeting has been held with an independent organisation with specialisms in this particular field in our sector.

The consultation was costed at considerably more than the £1,000 delegation limit, so given the Council's decision to release the Neighbourhood Plan for consultation and to minimise the danger of consultation fatigue, it was suggested that the Neighbourhood Plan should be prioritised, with the community consultation for the budget being deferred until 2021.

Members agreed that this was a sensible way forward.

#### **20/118 TO CLOSE THE MEETING**

The meeting closed at 19:57hrs.

Signed:

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Date:

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