

**CHRISTCHURCH TOWN COUNCIL**

**COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 April 2022 at 6.00pm at Christchurch Library, Room 14, High Street, Christchurch, BH23 1AW

Present:-

Chairman: Cllr W Grace (in the chair)

Vice-Chairman:

Present: Cllr C A Gardiner, Cllr S McCormack and Cllr Mrs S Spittle.

Also in attendance: Cllr R Luscombe.

Apologies: Cllr Mrs S Bungey, Cllr V Charrett, Cllr A Coulton, Cllr L Dedman and Cllr G R Jarvis.

Officers present: Daniel Lucas, Town Clerk  
Susan Roxby, Democratic Services Officer

Members of the Public present: 1

Members of the Press present: 0

**400. Election of Chairman**

Cllr W Grace was elected Chairman for the duration of the meeting.

Voting: unanimous

Proposed: Cllr S McCormack

Seconded: Cllr C Gardiner

**401. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest on this occasion.

**402. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 February 2022 were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

Voting: unanimous

Proposed: Cllr S McCormack

Seconded: Cllr W Gardner

**403. Public Participation**

The representative from 20's Plenty for Us spoke in relation to minute no. 405 (motions from Councillors).

**404. Public Questions**

There were no questions from the public on this occasion.

Cllr Mrs S Spittle joined the meeting at 6.10pm.

**405. Motions from Councillors**

Members were asked to consider a notice of motion proposed by Cllr Gardner and seconded by Cllr Grace as follows:

**Recommends to a future meeting of Council after Annual Council that Christchurch Town Council:**

- 1. Supports the 20's Plenty for Christchurch campaign;**
- 2. Calls on BCP Highway authority to implement 20mph in Christchurch Town Centre, the exact roads to be decided after consultation with residents and traders; and**
- 3. Will write to request 20mph speed limits on streets throughout Christchurch where people live, work, shop, play or learn, with 30mph as the exception on those roads, where full consideration of the needs of vulnerable road users allows a higher limit.**

Following debate an amendment to the proposed motion was proposed by Cllr McCormack and seconded by Cllr Grace to amend at point 3, to delete 'Christchurch' and replace with 'Christchurch Town Centre'.

On putting the amendment to the vote it was carried.

Voting: unanimous

The representative from 20's Plenty for Us spoke via Zoom Conferencing facilities updating Members on the following:

The 20's Plenty for Us organisation supported communities that wanted a 20 miles per hour limit due to road safety issues, economic and pollution benefits, and the promotion for active travel of walking and cycling. There

had been a 30% reduction in traffic levels since the 20 miles per hour limit had been introduced in other areas.

**RECOMMENDS to a future Council meeting (other than Annual Council) that Christchurch Town Council:**

- 1. Supports the 20's Plenty for Christchurch campaign;**
- 2. Calls on BCP Highway authority to implement 20mph in Christchurch Town Centre, the exact roads to be decided after consultation with residents and traders; and**
- 3. Will write to request 20mph speed limits on streets throughout Christchurch Town Centre where people live, work, shop, play or learn, with 30mph as the exception on those roads, where full consideration of the needs of vulnerable road users allows a higher limit.**

Voting: 3:0:1

Proposed: Cllr W Gardiner

Seconded: Cllr W Grace

#### **406. Community Speed Indicator Devices**

The Town Clerk updated Members that BCP reported there was a great deal of work to undertake and that they had taken on a new colleague who had commenced training, and they anticipated that the assessment of the Speed Indicator Devices would be completed before the summer. Arrangements to get the existing Vehicle Activator Sign repaired, or replaced if it could not be repaired, was also being undertaken.

**RESOLVED that the verbal report be noted.**

#### **407. Wayfinder Totem and Posts**

Photos of the locations of Wayfinders posts and a new location plan were circulated at the meeting and appear as appendices 'A' and 'B' to these minutes.

The Town Clerk read out a statement from Cllr Coulton as she was unable to attend the meeting with a proposal that the Town Clerk writes to BCP Council to confirm that the Town Council wishes to have black Totems and Finger Posts.

**RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be delegated to write to BCP Council confirming that the Town Council wishes to have black Totems and Finger Post and query whether the caps/ferrules could have the coat of arms included on them and be in gold**

Voting: unanimous

Proposed: Cllr S Spittle

Seconded: Cllr W Grace

**408. Christchurch Football Club**

The Town Clerk read out statement from Cllr Coulton as she was unable to attend the meeting as follows:

‘One of the businesses in the town has contacted me regarding finding a permanent home/pitch for their football that they run. They are prepared to put money into a club house etc. They are unhappy where they play and would like to come into the town so they can build the club up and into a community based club. They play at Hurn at the moment. What I would like to find out from the Community Committee is, if they are interested in this project to push forward. Perhaps we could think about Barrack Road rec?

My idea would be that Council’s project Officer could speak with them and find out what is needed after the meeting’.

Members agreed to defer this item as Cllr Coulton was unable to attend

**RESOLVED that the Christchurch Football Club agenda item be deferred to a future meeting of the Community Committee.**

Voting: unanimous

Proposed: Cllr W Grace

Seconded: Cllr S Spittle

The meeting ended at 6.56pm

CHAIRMAN