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Community House, Meridian Way, Peacehaven, East Sussex, BN10 8BB.

DRAFT Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Full Council meeting held in the Anzac Room, Community House on Thursday 15th August 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr Donovan (Chair of Council), Cllr Veck (Vice-Chair of Council), Cllr Griffiths, Cllr Evans, Cllr Fabry, Cllr Gallagher, Cllr Cheta, Cllr Sharkey, Cllr Davies, Cllr Wood, Cllr Gordon-Garrett, Cllr Campbell, Cllr Studd, Cllr Seabrook, Cllr Alexander.

Officers: George Dyson (Town Clerk).

3 members of the public were in attendance.

C1263 MAYOR/CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Chair opened the meeting at 19:30, went through the building fire procedures, asked that phones be put onto silent, and informed everyone that the meeting is being recorded. The Chair then informed the Council of the following:

- Mayors Bingo is 28th August 2024
- Bowls evening is also 28th August 2024
- Artwave is coming up at the start of September
- Next Cinema is 18th September showing Fly me to the Moon
- Next Quiz is on 20th September.

C1264 PUBLIC SESSION. Members of the public may ask questions on any relevant Council matter.

A member of the public spoke about the health benefits of Hydrotherapy pools and the need for one in this area, suggesting that it could be possible to build one in the area around the Hub to support health and wellbeing.

C1265 TO APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr Ashby-Parkin and Cllr Harman.

C1266 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

There were no declarations of interest.

C1267 TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 23RD JULY 2024

Cllr Campbell requested that item C1253 be updated to reflect that she also gave an update about Family Hubs. It was proposed that Council adopt the minutes subject to this amendment.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell Seconded by: Cllr Davies The Council **resolved** to **adopt** the minutes of the 23rd July 2024.

C1268 TO DECIDE WHETHER TO PROCEED WITH THE FUNDED OVCA PROJECT

There was a lengthy debate on this item, with Council considering the benefits of the project going ahead against concerns about the implications if the signs were to be vandalised or destroyed, the ongoing maintenance required,

and the requirements in the Terms and Conditions and the Deed itself. The background to the length of time that PTC has been involved in this project was also discussed.

It was proposed that Council agree to proceed with the project and that the Clerk be authorised to execute the deed of dedication.

Proposed by: Cllr Griffiths Seconded by: Cllr Seabrook.

A counter proposal was made that the Council agree to proceed, but that PTC Officers work with OVCA to agree a licence for the works rather than agreeing to the deed of dedication, and that some of the grant money be reserved for maintenance.

Proposed by: Cllr Alexander Seconded by: Cllr Fabry.

The counter proposal was voted on first, and a recorded vote was requested.

For: Cllrs Alexander, Davies, Fabry, Gallagher, Cheta, Sharkey, Donovan.

Against: Cllrs Wood, Gordon-Garrett, Campbell, Studd, Seabrook, Veck, Griffiths, Evans.

The Council therefore **did not agree** to this proposal.

The original proposal was then voted on.

For: Cllrs Davies, Wood, Gordon-Garrett, Campbell, Studd, Seabrook, Veck, Griffiths, Evans, Cheta, Sharkey, Donovan.

Abstaining: Cllrs Gallagher, Fabry, Alexander.

The Council **resolved** to **agree** to this proposal.

C1269 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM CLLR GALLAGHER, CHAIR OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN STEERING GROUP

Cllr Gallagher gave a brief summary of the meeting notes in the papers, and explained some of the process now that some initial comments have been received by the Examiner.

Cllr Gordon-Garrett highlighted a concern over some of the wording in the meeting notes, which will be highlighted to the steering group to consider rewording.

Cllr Campbell requested that the Examiners comments and responses from the Steering Group be circulated to Councillors, as per previous paperwork. The Clerk confirmed that this will happen.

C1270 TO AGREE TO UNDERTAKE A PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON THE HUB BUILDING

There was a discussion around how the consultation would be done, and what the structure and scope of it should be.

It was proposed that the Town Clerk and Information & Events Officer set up a time for an Open Day at the Hub, and that a small TFG be set up to develop a plan for the consultation.

Proposed by: Cllr Veck Seconded by: Cllr Sharkey

The Council resolved to agree to this proposal.

TFG to consist of: Cllrs Galagher, Sharkey, and Griffiths.

C1271 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2024 AT 7:30PM

The next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 8th October 2024 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 20:49.