

BILLERICAY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Health, Wellbeing and Environment Committee meeting
held in the Council Chamber, The Chantry Centre, Chantry Way, CM11 2AP
on Tuesday 21st May 2024 at 7.00pm

Councillors: A Adshead, P Bunyan, E Davies, C May, M Moore, K Mordecai,
M Thomas, J Tutton

Also in attendance the Town Clerk and one member of the public

In the Chair - Cllr M Thomas

1. Election of Chairman

Cllr M Moore was proposed by Cllr Mordecai and seconded by Cllr Tutton. There being no other nominations it was;

RESOLVED: That Cllr M Moore be elected Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

In the Chair - Cllr M Moore

2. Apologies for absence

Cllrs K Herlock, G Talbot

3. Appointment of Vice-Chairman

Cllr K Mordecai was proposed by Cllr Tutton and seconded by Cllr May. There being no other nominations it was;

RESOLVED: That Cllr K Mordecai be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

4. Declarations of interest with regard to items on the Agenda

None.

5. Public Participation session with respect to items on the Agenda

A representative of the Essex Community Tree Network spoke to members about the organisation's objectives. Their intention is to help people with mental health issues access the support they need by putting all the services provided in Essex on a website – [The Essex Community Tree Network](#). Members agreed the Town Council would be happy to promote this service to residents.

6. Minutes of the Health, Well-being and Environment Committees held on 2nd April 2024

Members received and considered the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 2nd April 2024

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

7. Health, Well-Being & Environment Committee Accounts

Members received and considered the following:

(a) a copy of the accounts in respect of the Health, Well-Being and Environment Committee from 1st April 2024 to 10th May 2024

(b) to renew annual membership of the RCCE (Rural Community Council of Essex) at a cost of £36.00

RESOLVED: **(a)** financial information noted, and; **(b)** that the membership is renewed for 2024/25 at a cost of £36.00

8. Terms of Reference

Resolved: that the Terms of Reference for Health, Wellbeing and Environment Committee are approved and adopted.

9. Working Parties/Project Groups

Members considered the following:

(a) Events Working Party – Cllr Mordecai informed members that an informal meeting was held at Sun Corner with the parade participants on 2nd May 2024 and the Events WP would be having a final pre-event meeting on 28th May.

RESOLVED: information noted.

10. United Reform Church Burial Ground

Members considered the following:

(a) during a recent litter bin inspection it was noted that the burial ground was in poor condition. The Town Clerk contacted the Church who have said they would welcome help with general maintenance. Following discussion it was:

RESOLVED: that a meeting is arranged with the Church to get further information to bring back to the Committee.

11. Items for Information

(a) Litter Bins – further to the walkabout on 24th April with officers from Basildon Council the Clerk advised that information is still awaited regarding cost of additional bins.

(b) Tree Wardens – minutes from their meeting held on 6th March 2024.

(c) Lake Meadows Teen Area – Basildon Council's quotation for refurbishment is £15,388 and officers have asked whether the Town Council would cover the cost or make a contribution towards refurbishment. The Town Clerk will obtain further information on costs for the Council to consider at a future meeting.

(d) Telephone kiosks in High Street – further to the Town Council’s letter Openreach has replaced the broken glass with perspex and collected the door. A separate maintenance crew should be returning to do the painting.

(e) Planter outside Santander – ECC Highways has granted permission so this will be installed as soon as possible.

RESOLVED: information noted.

12. Items for consideration for Social Media/Press Release

- Promotion of the Essex Community Tree Network

13. Questions from the Press and Public

None.

Cllr M Moore
Chairman of the Committee

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.53pm

Chairman:..... Date: