



# NEWPORT & CARISBROOKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF NEWPORT & CARISBROOKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MAY 2024 AT 64 HIGH STREET COMMENCING AT 6.45PM.

Councillors Present: Cllrs. Martin Oliver (Chair), Matthew Ambrosini (Vice-Chair), Joanne Ballington Geoff Brodie, Andrew Garratt, Julie Jones-Evans, Joe Lever, Vix Lowthion, Terry Martin, Deborah Matthews, Matthew Price and Michael Smith.

<u>Clerk:</u>	Josh Tombleson
<u>Public:</u>	0
<u>Outside Organisations:</u>	0
<u>Press:</u>	0
<u>Other:</u>	1

### PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

None.

<b>3364.</b>	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> None.
<b>3365.</b>	<u>DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST</u> <p>Cllrs. Brodie, Garratt, Jones-Evans, Lever, Oliver and Price declared non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to the Isle of Wight Council (IWC) as Isle of Wight councillors.</p> <p>Cllrs. Brodie and Ballington declared non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to Pan Together as trustees of the charity.</p> <p>Cllr. Jones-Evans declared a non-pecuniary interest in matters relating to Newport businesses as a member and vice-chair of Newport Business Association.</p> <p>Cllrs. Ambrosini and Martin declared non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to Gunville as a member of the Gunville Community Association.</p> <p>No written requests for dispensation were received.</p>
<b>3366.</b>	<u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING</u> <p>The minutes of the meeting of Full Council held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 were presented to members.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>  <b>THAT, the minutes of the meeting of Full Council held on 8<sup>th</sup> April be agreed and signed as an accurate record.</b></p> <p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></p>

	None.
3367.	<p><b><u>FINANCIAL MATTERS</u></b></p> <p>Members were presented with payments made during April 2024 for approval.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>  <b>THAT, the accounts paid in April 2024 be noted.</b></p> <p>Members received the income and expenditure report to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>  <b>THAT, the income and expenditure reports to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024 be noted.</b></p> <p>Members received the balance sheet for April 2024.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>  <b>THAT, the balance sheet for April 2024 be noted.</b></p> <p><u>Grant Applications</u></p> <p>Members had before them a letter requesting grant support from the Isle of Wight Island Games Association. Cllr. Brodie, who supported the application coming forward to full council, recommended an award of £500.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>  <b>THAT, the Isle of Wight Island Games Association be awarded £500 towards the cost of attending the 2025 Island Games in Orkney.</b></p> <p><u>NCCC Insurance Renewal Premium</u></p> <p>The NCCC insurance renewal premium, covering all aspects of its services and requirements, will be £8,769.56 for the 2024/2025 financial year.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>  <b>THAT, the insurance renewal figure be noted.</b></p>
3368.	<p><b><u>POLICIES</u></b></p> <p>Members had before them an updated version of the social media and electronic communication policy for adoption.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>  <b>THAT, the updated social media and electronic communication policy be adopted.</b></p> <p>Members had before them an updated version of the volunteer policy for adoption.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>  <b>THAT, the updated volunteer policy be adopted.</b></p>
3369.	<p><b><u>FUTURE OF MEDINA HEALTHCARE</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Brodie, provided members with an update on the proposed move of Medina Healthcare from its current site in Wootton, to Riverway in Newport. He</p>

	<p>acknowledged that although Riverway is not an ideal location due to access by public transport being limited, and walking routes being both long and potentially unsafe, the move does provide Newport with another practise. He said there is no doubt that there are drawbacks to being located in Riverway, but with the ongoing issues with both Dower House and Carisbrooke surgeries, he suggests the council support the move.</p> <p>There was a long but productive conversation between members, with common themes from discussions including strong concerns about the access by public transport, with the only bus which services the practise being the number 39, funded by NCCC. However, this service only runs 5 times per day which is restrictive for those who need to access the surgery outside of those times. The pedestrian crossing near Lidl was also of great concern as many users would access Riverway from this direction, but this continues to be a very dangerous road to cross. It was agreed by members that a solution would need to be provided for this issue, and pressure should be put on the practice to contribute towards funding for the bus service as it will be vital for their new site.</p> <p>All members wished for there to be a satellite surgery remaining in Wooton for those who cannot access Riverway.</p> <p>Cllr. Matthews summarised discussions by saying that ultimately the council a service to be provided, but acknowledge that no building is ideal, it will always be a disadvantage to someone. What is the most important is that the residents of Newport &amp; Carisbrooke receive the best possible healthcare, and it may be that to achieve this they need to congregate GPs in one facility. Infrastructure to support that is absolutely key.</p> <p>Cllr. Brodie said that NCCC need to agree a democrat position and then proceed to arrange a meeting with Solent NHS trust to discuss the matter further. He will be bringing a proposal to the next meeting and encourages others to do the same.</p> <p>Cllr. Oliver proposed writing to Solent NHS trust to get a meeting after the next Full Council to discuss once we know our position.</p> <p>Cllr. Brodie left the meeting at 20:38.</p>
<b>3370.</b>	<p><b><u>PLANNING &amp; CONSULTATION COMMITTEE</u></b></p> <p>The Chair of the Planning &amp; Consultation committee, Cllr. Lowthion, presented the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April to members for noting.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>  <b>THAT, the minutes of the meeting of the Planning &amp; Consultation committee held on 8<sup>th</sup> April be noted.</b></p>
<b>3371.</b>	<p><b><u>SHAPING NEWPORT</u></b></p> <p>The NCCC representatives on the Shaping Newport steering group provided an update on activities relating to Shaping Newport. Minutes will be sent directly to the Clerk so that he can circulate to all members accordingly.</p> <p>Cllr. Martin left the meeting at 20:40</p>
<b>3372.</b>	<p><b><u>HIGH STREET HERITAGE ACTION ZONE</u></b></p>

	No meetings have taken place since the last meeting of Full Council and therefore no update was provided.
<b>3373.</b>	<u>64 HIGH STREET</u> The Clerk provided members with a brief verbal update on activities relating to 64 High Street.
<b>3374.</b>	<u>COST OF LIVING</u> Cllr. Lowthion said that she had attended the first anniversary of the Pyle Street Pantry and whilst she was there they received their 5000 <sup>th</sup> visit. She said the event was very well received.  Members continue to review applications received into the Newport & Carisbrooke Household Support Fund.
<b>3375.</b>	<u>CLERK'S REPORT</u> None.
<b>3376.</b>	<u>REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES</u> Cllr. Smith said he had attended a meeting on Community Led housing which was interesting.
<b>3377.</b>	<u>MEMBERS' QUESTIONS</u> None.
<b>3378.</b>	<u>HEALTH &amp; SAFETY</u> No items to report.
<b>3379.</b>	<u>NEXT AGENDA</u> To the Clerk in good time.
<b>3380.</b>	<u>NEXT MEETING – DATE, TIME AND LOCATION</u> The next meeting of full council will take place on Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024, commencing 18:45 at 64 High Street.

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