



# Watlington Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Meeting of the Strategy Committee held in the Community Office at 8pm on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2019

### Present:

#### Councillors:

Andrew McAuley (AM) – Vice-Chair  
Matt Reid (MR)  
Ian Hill (IH)  
Terry Jackson (TJ)

#### In Attendance:

Diana Ludlow

#### Officer:

Kristina Tynan (KT)

- 129/19 Apologies for Absence  
Tim Horton, Rob Smith, Nick Hancock.
- 130/19 Minutes  
**Resolved:** It was agreed to approve the minutes of the Strategy Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 which were received by Council on the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and these were signed by the Chairman of the Meeting as a correct record.
- 131/19 Matters Arising  
There were no matters arising.
- 132/19 Declaration of Interests  
There were none notified.
- 1331/9 Chair's Report  
AM reported that Steph Van de Pette had resigned from the Council and MR will be writing to her to record our warmest thanks for all the work she did as a Councillor and the issues she drove forward especially for this committee whilst she was Chair.  
  
The committee will need to elect a Chairman in the January meeting.
- 134/19 Communications Action Plan  
MR and IH will meet before the next meeting and prepare a draft which can be discussed.
- 135/19 Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Board  
**NPAB and Strategy - 3-hour Workshop**  
This was put on hold due to the First (October 2019) and Second Planning Inquiry for Land at Britwell Road. The Second Appeal will start on 14/1/2020.

A date was agreed, Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January 10am-1pm. It was agreed that all Councillors be invited as it is a very important issue and it is hoped that all will attend.  
The Strategic Plan will also be looked at and parameters set. The WNDP will need to be reviewed by August 2020 and this will need to be weaved into the Strategic Plan. Discussion will

also take place on setting the ground rules of what this Council can achieve for the rest of its term.

136/19 Strategic Plan  
See item above.

137/19 Community Resilience Plan  
IH had reviewed the draft. Names etc need to be checked and this will be done by IH and KT. It was noted that this is not a document for the general public but for OCC and SODC Emergency Team and the Emergency Services.  
**Resolved:** That once the checks have been made that this document is distributed to the Distribution List of whom many are statutory bodies and that IH and the Clerk be delegated to do this.

138/19 Fibre to the Premises (FTTP)- Broadband - A note was attached from Peter Richardson. It was noted that Peter Richardson has put an update on this in the Watlington Times.

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:** That when we have the results from the OCC Survey a public meeting will be arranged at the appropriate time and that all potential providers to be invited to attend. That this be facilitated by the Strategy Committee.

139/19 Consultations  
There were no consultations that needed discussion.

140/19 Correspondence  
1. **Gigaclear (190)** – Asking if we would like to meet with them. KT to inform them that a public meeting will be taking place and that they will be invited.  
2. **Steve Shaw** – Asking us to help their campaign for more local clean energy generation and the Local Energy Bill – Discussion took place on this and it was felt that we need more information. KT will contact OALC and TJ will email him for more detailed information. She also mentioned that she has been talking to the Carbon Hub. To be further discussed at the January meeting.  
3. **SODC Town and Parish Forum Survey** – It was agreed that IH fills in the survey as he has attended some Forums.

141/19 Any Other Business  
**CCT** – MR reported that he and IH met with Philip Pinney and Martin Edis who are very concerned about the length of time the transfer is taking. At the moment it is held up at OCC with the lease option on one of the parking spaces. MR and IH will put a motion on CCT for the December Full Council meeting. IH will get our Solicitors view on options.

142/19 Items to future meeting:  
Protocol for marking the death of a senior national figure - January  
Watlington Parish Council Climate Action Plan – January – TJ has been working on this.  
Little Orchard – January  
Local Energy Bill – January

**THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.48PM**