# Annual Meeting held on Wednesday 8th May 2024

In the Ray Shill Room at Northway Community Hub, commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr M Barnes Cllr J Beadle

Cllr G Fancourt Cllr P Godwin
Cllr E MacTiernan Cllr P Mackenzie
Cllr G Shelton Cllr J Roberts

Cllr S Terry

In Attendance: County Cllr V Smith, Gloucestershire County Council

Mrs C Woodward, Clerk of the Council Mrs L Stewart, Clerk's Assistant

A two minute silence was held in honour of Brian Trenfield, a Council employee (and local resident), who died on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

# C/101/24 Election of the Council Chairman for the Municipal Year

Cllr Terry PROPOSED that Cllr Barnes was elected as Chairman for the forthcoming Municipal year. Cllr Barnes accepted the nomination. Cllr Godwin SECONDED. As no further nominations were forthcoming, a vote was taken.

FOR: UNANIMOUS

### C/102/24 Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

The incoming Chairman, Cllr Barnes, signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the Chair.

## C/103/24 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Poole.

## C/104/24 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Roberts declared an interest in item 8 on the agenda. No further declarations of interest were made as required by the Code of Conduct adopted by the Parish Council on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023 (Minute Ref: C/85/23 refers).

# C/105/24 <u>Election of the Council Vice-Chairman for the Municipal Year</u>

Cllr Roberts expressed an interest in standing as Vice-Chairman. Cllr Godwin PROPOSED that Cllr Roberts was elected as Vice-Chairman for the upcoming year. Cllr MacTiernan SECONDED. As no further nominations were forthcoming a vote was taken.

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### C/106/24 Review of and Appointment of Committees and Working Parties

Members had been circulated a form and indicated on this which Committees and Working Parties they wished to stand on (the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman being ex-officio Members of all Committees and Working Parties).

# C/106/24 Review of and Appointment of Committees and Working Parties (continued)

#### a. Finance Committee

Cllr Barnes (ex-officio) Cllr Godwin
Cllr MacTiernan Cllr Roberts
Cllr Shelton Cllr Terry

# b. Planning Committee

Cllr Barnes Cllr Beadle
Cllr Fancourt Cllr Godwin
Cllr Mackenzie Cllr MacTiernan
Cllr Roberts Cllr Shelton

Cllr Terry

# c. General Purposes Committee

Cllr Barnes Cllr Beadle
Cllr Fancourt Cllr Godwin
Cllr Mackenzie Cllr MacTiernan
Cllr Roberts Cllr Shelton

Cllr Terry

### d. GP Projects Working Party

Cllr Barnes Cllr Beadle
Cllr Fancourt Cllr Godwin
Cllr Roberts Cllr Shelton

**Cllr Terry** 

# e. Road Safety Committee

Cllr Barnes Cllr Beadle
Cllr Fancourt Cllr Mackenzie

**Cllr Roberts** 

# f. Staffing/Personnel/HR Committee

Cllr Barnes Cllr Roberts + Chairman of Finance Committee

# g. Carbon Neutral Working Party

Cllr Barnes Cllr Beadle
Cllr Fancourt Cllr Godwin
Cllr Roberts (ex-officio) Cllr Shelton

# h. Standing Orders/Financial Regulations Working Party

Cllr Barnes Cllr Roberts (ex-officio)

Cllr Shelton

# i. Emergency Planning Working Party/Winter Maintenance

Cllr Barnes Cllr Godwin

Cllr Mackenzie Cllr Roberts (ex-officio)

Cllr Terry

# C/106/24 Review of and Appointment of Committees and Working Parties (continued)

# j. Community Event Working Party

Cllr Barnes Cllr Godwin
Cllr Roberts Cllr Shelton

Cllr Terry

# k. General Data Protection Regulations Working Party

Cllr Barnes Cllr Roberts (E-O)

## C/107/24 Appointment of Representatives on Outside Bodies

### a. Northway Community Volunteers (Northway Area Residents and Homeowners Association)

Cllr Godwin

#### b. Parish Council Association

Cllr MacTiernan PROPOSED that, since this group had not been very active, a representative should be nominated if/when a meeting was scheduled. Cllr Mackenzie SECONDED.

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## c. Tewkesbury Garden Communities Parish Subgroup Meeting

Cllr Roberts, Cllr Barnes and Cllr Beadle confirmed that they were willing to remain as representatives on this group as in the previous year.

## C/108/24 Health and Safety

It was AGREED that NFU should remain the point of contact any help required relating to Health and Safety (as included as part of their contract).

## C/109/24 Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

The Clerk confirmed that updated Financial Regulations had been received that day, these would be reviewed by the Standing Orders/Financial Regulations Working Party.

Cllr MacTiernan PROPOSED approval of the existing Standing Orders (originally adopted by NPC in June 2014 (Min Ref: C/157/14 refers) and Financial Regulations (adopted by NPC in February 2020 Min Ref C/41/20 refers). Cllr Terry SECONDED.

FOR: Cllr MacTiernan Cllr Terry

Cllr Barnes Cllr Beadle
Cllr Godwin Cllr Mackenzie
Cllr Roberts Cllr Shelton

ABSTENTIONS: Cllr Fancourt

## C/110/24 Banking

Members were reminded that Cllr Beadle had agreed to be added as a bank signatory. Cllr Mackenzie offered to have his name added also.

# C/110/24 Banking (continued)

Cllr MacTiernan PROPOSED approval to include Cllrs Shelton, Beadle and Mackenzie and to include removal of any signatories who may no longer be Councillors. Cllr Godwin SECONDED.

FOR: UNANIMOUS

# C/111/24 Meeting Schedule

Cllr Terry PROPOSED that the draft Meeting Schedule for the second half of the year (which had been circulated with the agenda) should be approved. Cllr Mackenzie SECONDED.

FOR: UNANIMOUS

# C/112/24 Notice Boards

It was AGREED that the notice board arrangements should remain as follows:

Hardwick Bank Road – Cllr Shelton The Spine (The Park) – Cllr Shelton Northway Centre – Cllr Terry Lee Road – Staff Northway Playing Field – Cllr Godwin Ashchurch Station – Not useable Saxon Park – Cllr Roberts

# C/113/24 **Defibrillators**

It was AGREED that responsibility for various defibrillators in the parish should be as follows:

Northway Playing Field – Cllr Godwin Northway Community Hub – Office staff Hardwick Bank Road – Cllr Shelton Northway Centre – Cllr Shelton

7.15 p.m. – As there was no other business the meeting concluded.