

HERNE & BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Office, Herne Centre, St Martin's View, Herne CT6 7AP

Minutes of the meeting of Herne & Broomfield Parish Council Herne Centre Committee held at the Herne Centre on Thursday 20th April 2023 at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present:

Cllr Blatherwick, Cllr Davis, Cllr Strong, Cllr White, and Anne Lehane.

09/23 To receive apologies for absence and accept reasons.

Cllr Collins. Apologies and reasons accepted.

10/23 To receive declarations of interest on items on the Agenda and requests for dispensations.

None.

11/23 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18th August 2022.

The minutes were agreed as a correct record.

12/23 To report on matters arising from the minutes, not on the agenda, for information only.

To confirm that it was agreed to co-opt Anne Lehane to the committee, and that due to Linda White's co-option to the parish council she is now on the committee as a councillor, rather than resident.

ADJOURNMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None present.

13/23 To discuss and review the contract.

This item will be preceded by a resolution Under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, to exclude the public and press due to the confidential nature of the business being discussed.

As there were no members of the public present this was not necessary.

Cllr Davis went through the responses that had been received so far regarding the Herne Centre consultation. There were many positive comments; building and facilities, centre staff. The negative responses included issues with the booking system, cleanliness, communication, advertising of what's on. There were some responses from parents who use the childcare facilities, stressing how important they were, especially for working families.

The clerk presented a proposal of four possible options. There followed much discussion. Members considered the options and made some recommendations to be taken to full council.

Meeting closed at 10.10pm.