



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD at ROYAL BRITISH LEGION CROXLEY GREEN WD3 3ED
ON THURSDAY 12 MAY 2022 AT 8.00PM

Cllr Cole - in the Chair

Ryan Bennett – Clerk to the Council
Amanda Gardiner – Administrative Officer

AGM188/22 Election of Chairman

It was proposed and seconded that Cllr Cole be nominated Chairman for the year 2022/2023. There were no other nominations.

Resolved:

- That Cllr Cole is elected Chairman of Croxley Green Parish Council for the year 2022-2023.

AGM189/22 Acceptance of Office

Cllr Cole accepted the Chairmanship and then duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office which was countersigned by the Clerk.

AGM190/22 To Record Those Present and Apologies for Absence

Present: Cllrs Benner, Cole, Crabtree, Gallagher, Hughes, Kyriakou, Mitchell, Montague, Panju, Taylor, Tobin, and Whitmore.

Voting Members: 12

Apologies were received and approved from Cllrs Birch, Parks, Vassiliou and Yeung.

There were no Members of the public present.

AGM191/22 Election of Vice Chairman

The Chairman asked for proposals for the office of Vice Chairman of the Council for the year 2022/2023. It was proposed seconded that Cllr Crabtree be elected Vice Chairman. There were no other nominations.

Resolved:

- That Cllr Crabtree is elected Vice Chairman of Croxley Green Parish Council for the year 2022-2023.

AGM192/22 Appointment and Composition of Committees

AGM192.1/22

Resolved:

- That in accordance with Standing Order 19.5., the following Committees are appointed: Finance and Administration Committee; HR and Compliance Committee; Planning and Development Committee; Leisure, Events and Environment Committee.

AGM192.2/22 The Clerk advised that Standing Orders state that there should be a minimum of 6 Members per Committee.

Resolved:

- That the Leisure, Events and Environment Committee shall consist of Cllrs Benner, Hughes, Kyriakou, Montague, Panju, Vassiliou and Yeung.
- That the Planning and Development Committee shall consist of Cllrs Birch, Gallagher, Mitchell, Parks, Taylor, Tobin and Whitmore.
- That the Finance and Administration Committee shall consist of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Council & LEE & P&D Committees.
- That the HR and Compliance Committee shall consist of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Council and Cllrs Hughes and Tobin.

AGM193/22 Chairman and Vice Chairman of Standing Committees

The Chairman declared an adjournment to allow the Committees to elect their Chairman and Vice Chairman.

When the meeting reconvened, it was reported that the Committees would have the following Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the year 2022-2023:

	P&D Committee	LEE Committee	F&A Committee
Chair	Cllr Tobin	Cllr Montague	Cllr Cole
Vice Chair	Cllr Gallagher	Cllr Hughes	Cllr Crabtree

AGM194/22 To Receive Reports from Council Representatives on Outside Bodies 2020/2021

AGM194.1/22 – Three Rivers Environmental Forum – Cllrs Birch and Hughes.

Cllr Montague attended as a representative of the Rickmansworth Waterways Trust and provide Councillors with a verbal update. Key areas of focus for the Three Rivers Environmental Forum are new Officers to drive agenda forward, creation of Sustainable Group, Climate Emergency. HS2 presentation on landscaping and rewilding.

AGM195/22 Council Representation on Outside Bodies and Organisations 2022/23

AGM195.1/22 – Joint Committee of Parish Councils – The Clerk advised that the representatives from Croxley Green Parish Council are the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk.

Resolved:

- That the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk represent the Parish Council on the Joint Committee of Parish Councils.

AGM195.2/22 – Three Rivers Environmental Forum – Cllrs Panju and Whitmore expressed an interest to represent the Parish Council at these meetings.

Resolved:

- That Cllrs Panju and Whitmore represent the Parish Council on the Three Rivers Environmental Forum.

AGM195.3/22 – Green Croxley – Cllr Hughes expressed an interest to represent the Parish Council at these meetings.

Resolved:

- That Cllr Hughes represents the Parish Council on Green Croxley.

AGM196/22 Direct Debits and Authorised Signatories

The Clerk advised Members that under the Council's Finance Regulations the Council must agree to variable Direct Debits at least every two years but in practice, and included in Standing Orders, this Council confirms authority for Direct Debits annually at this meeting.

Resolved:

- That the Council continues with payments by variable direct debits;
- That the Members of the Finance and Administration Committee and the Clerk will become authorised signatories for the Council's Bank Accounts;
- That payments may be made by Direct Debit, Cheque, BACS, CHAPS or direct bank to bank transfer to the recipients.

AGM197/22 General Power of Competence

Chairman introduced the topic of General Power of Competence. The Council must confirm that it meets the eligibility criteria and resolves to adopt the power at each Annual Meeting.

- That Croxley Green Parish Council resolves that it meets the eligibility criteria to exercise the General Power of Competence as defined in the Parish Council (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 and therefore adopts the power.

AGM198/22 Parish Council Charities 2022/23

The Chairman opened the item and asked Cllrs for their suggestions for the charities which the Parish Council will support in 2022/23. Several suggestions were put forward and after discussion it was agreed that the Council Charities would be New Hope and Age UK. It was also noted by Cllrs that the funds raised from the Dog Show should, as in 2021, go to an animal related charity. It was suggested that the Chris Wicks Wildlife Rescue be chosen as a suitable charity.

Resolved:

- Charities for 2022/2023 will be the New Hope and Age UK.
- Charity for the 2022 Dog Show will be the Chris Wicks Wildlife Rescue.

AGM199/22 Closure

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.28pm