

SHAW & CROMPTON PARISH COUNCIL
Environment Committee

Draft minutes of the meeting held on
Tuesday 5 December 2023
in the Matthias Pilling Room, 1 Kershaw Street East, Shaw OL2 8AB.

Present: Councillors Dunne, Marc Hince, Sarah Hince, Lee Navesey, Lisa Navesey and Reilly; the Clerk.
3 members of the public.

Councillor Sarah Hince in the Chair.

The meeting started at 7:00pm

- 1 Apologies for absence:** Councillor Carrington.
- 2 Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 3 Minutes of the previous meeting**
The draft minutes of the meeting held on the 7 November 2023 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.
- 4 Public Participation**
A member of the public wished to raise an issue/ask a question relating to Item 6 on the agenda and spoke at the item.
- 5 Financial report for the period 1 April – 30 November 2023**
Committee approved the report for the period in question
- 6 2024/25 Budget**
Committee agreed to defer further consideration of budget priorities for the new financial year until after Resources Committee had undertaken a wider financial review and scrutiny of Council resource requirements for 2024/25 at its meeting on the 16 January 2024.
- 7 Footpaths, Rights of Way and the Crompton Circuit**
Committee noted Martin's report and thanked him for his ongoing contributions to this agenda item.
- 8 Footpaths – High Crompton Park**
Councillor Sarah Hince reported that she had met on site with Simon Travis and other members of the High Crompton Friends Group to assess the issues associated with Footpaths 65 and 69 which for some time have been either impassable or unsafe.

It was agreed that Councillor Sarah Hince would report the matter to Liam Kennedy, OMBC Public Rights of Way Officer to ascertain the scope of OMBC's responsibility for these footpaths and seek OMBC to survey the footpaths as appropriate.

9 Groundwork reports – Adam Holt

Although Adam submitted a report, he was unable to attend the meeting. Nevertheless, Committee considered the report content and agreed the following in relation to

- i. Greater Manchester Green Spaces Fund – improvement works proposed at **George Street Playing Fields** and environs

Councillor Marc Hince to provide details of OMBC Senior Estates surveyor to verify land ownership;

- ii. Bridges at Linney Lane and Mosshey Street

The Clerk to check land ownership with the Land Registry

- iii. Cost estimates provided by Adam in relation to
 - a. repairs or replacement of the bridges at Linney Lane and Mosshey Street and estimates and
 - b. Mill Pond fencing/boardwalk repairs and removal of willow.

Decision deferred to the next meeting when Adam is in attendance.

10 Grant applications/funding bid

- (i) Walking and Wheeling Fund (GMEF) - Councillor Sarah Hince reported that the deadline for the current round of funding had already passed (1 December);
- (ii) Green Spaces Fund (GMGSF) – Adam Holt
The bid was submitted by the deadline but still awaiting a formal response.

11 Dates and times of Future Meetings

Tuesday 7:00pm : 9 January, 6 February, 5 March, 7 May 2024.

**The Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and contributions
and closed the meeting at 7:50pm**

Meeting duration 50 minutes.