

**MINUTES OF BRIERFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT BRIERFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE ON 1ST AUGUST, 2023**

Chair: Hashim Ahmed

1. COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

Mohammed Hanif	Qamar Shazad	Sajjad Ahmed
Yasser Iqbal	Adeel Waseem	Saqlain Ali
Iram Ghous	Naeem Ashraf	

Apologies: Mohammad Altaf, Mazer Iqbal

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - There were no declaration of interest.

3. PUBLIC QUESTIONS - No public questions

4. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26TH JUNE 2023 - The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.

5. TO APPROVE THE FINANCE STATEMENT AS AT 1ST AUGUST, 2023

Members were informed of the Projects undertaken and their costs. The finance statement was approved.

6. ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

a. Playgrounds

Chatburn Park Drive - Members were informed that Chatburn Park playground has been vandalised twice over the last 2 months. It has been repaired

Massey Street - The CCTV camera was installed over 4 years ago, LCC have now asked BTC to remove the CCTV cage installed to protect the camera. This has now been done, leaving the CCTV prone to vandalism.

b. Wave - this company supplies water to both the community centre and the town hall. For the past 10 months their invoices have increased 5 fold. Cllr Hanif has spent more than 12 hours on the phone with Wave to resolve the issue. Eventually Wave staff have undertaken a physical check and determined that the water meter was also supplying the neighbouring business. Wave have agreed to install separate meters for both businesses.

c. UKSPF funding – Brierfield town centre has successfully attracted £200K from UKSPF funding for local authorities. This funding is part of the wider Levelling Up suite of funds. The objective for UKSPF is to build pride in place and increase life chances in every part of the UK.

d. Highways - Members were advised that Chatburn Park Drive was being resurfaced between 2nd to 8th August. Also, Glen Way will be closed for 4 days to install electric cables between 7th to 11th August.

Signed:
Councillor Hashim Ahmed

Date: 5th September, 2023