

# VISCOUNTESS BARRINGTON TRUST

**Minutes of meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at 20.40**

**In the Chestnut Room at the Memorial Hall**

**Present:** Bjorn Watson, Chair (BW), Richard Bartle (RB), Julia Jones (JJ), Chris Taylor (CT), Bob Sheldon (RS)

**Secretary:** Julia Evans, Lyn Frape

**Other:** 1 member of the public

<b>22/29</b>	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Stuart Coffey, Liz Jenkins, David Pratt, Connor Farrelly, Lucy Brown, Gerard Pearson	<b>Action:</b>
<b>22/30</b>	<b>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS</b> None.	
<b>22/31</b>	<b>MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2021</b> The minutes were approved. Proposed: RB, Seconded: RS. RESOLVED. The minutes were signed.	
<b>22/32</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING NOT ITEMISED ON THE AGENDA</b> a) <b>21/127 and 21/137 - Noise Issue/Policy</b> – Further work was required. CT offered to review a draft.	<b>c/f JE</b>
<b>22/33</b>	<b>PUBLIC REPRESENTATION</b> Mr Ross, Chair of VB Homes reported that he would like a closer relationship between the two trusts. He said that he would attend the VBT meetings from time to time. He raised the issue of the lane. The previous agreement was informal and needed to be formalised. He noted that it would soon be the centenary of the two trusts and felt that celebrations should be joint. He reported that the plan to develop the land beside the football club was on hold and asked for ideas for the use of the land in the medium term. BW welcomed a closer relationship and agreed to schedule a meeting later in the month.	<b>JE</b>
<b>22/34</b>	<b>TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE PERSON PRESIDING MAY WISH TO LAY BEFORE THE MEETING</b> None	
<b>22/35</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</b> a) <b>Update on the Claridge Room.</b> The insurers were waiting on quotes. JE to chase PJE and insurers. b) <b>Update on Storm Damage.</b> Two stone tiles had been lost. Their replacement had been held up due to supply issues. c) <b>Budget.</b> Staff illness and a huge rise in utility costs had caused budget issues. The new financial year will be one of transition as it is uncertain how much income the Sports Pavilion will bring in. BW thanked JE and LF for their control on the finances.	<b>JE</b>
<b>22/36</b>	<b>TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER REPORTS AND MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS</b> a) <b>Hall Management Group</b> – The minutes of the Hall Management Group meeting held on held on 24 <sup>th</sup> March had been circulated. BW reported that: i. Hall charges were to be reviewed. The proposed charges were to be discussed at the next HMG and put before the Trust at the May meeting. ii. Lettings for the year to 28 <sup>th</sup> February were looking very	<b>JE</b>

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	<p>good.</p> <p>iii. A meeting was to be scheduled with VB Homes to discuss the track. A meeting with the Football Club was also to be scheduled to discuss options for the footpath from the Cala site. RS noted that stones had been laid on both paths out of the Cala site.</p>	
<b>22/37</b>	<p><b>TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES ATTENDING MEETINGS ON BEHALF OF THE TRUST</b></p> <p>None.</p>	
<b>22/38</b>	<p><b>FINANCIAL MATTERS</b></p> <p>a) <b>Financial Statement for February</b> – The Financial statement was discussed, reviewed and approved. Proposed RS, Seconded JJ. RESOLVED. BW highlighted the challenges with the 2022/23 budget.</p> <p>b) <b>March Payments</b> – The payments were reviewed and approved. Proposed CT, Seconded RS. RESOLVED.</p>	
<b>22/39</b>	<p><b>UPDATE ON SPORTS PAVILION</b></p> <p>BW reported that a site meeting was scheduled for 12<sup>th</sup> April. Development is very behind. The electricians were expected to be complete this week. It was hoped that the floor would be completed by 12<sup>th</sup> April. The plan was that the pavilion would be open by the end of April as the first cricket fixture was the 7<sup>th</sup> May. An open day was being planned. CT suggested holding this on 3<sup>rd</sup> June.</p>	<b>RB/BW/JE</b>
<b>22/40</b>	<p><b>RECREATION GROUND MATTERS</b></p> <p>a) <b>Track.</b> BW reported that Mr Ross had submitted a quote for the work on the track. BW was to ask PJE for another quote. The meeting with VB Homes was to discuss and formalise the agreement between the two trusts. The ability of the trust to pay for the work to the track would also be discussed. Mr Ross suggested that an agreement was also required for the spur road to the new development. He also suggested that there may be options available to finance the work to the track.</p> <p>b) <b>MUGA.</b> Wicksteed were to be chased for an update on the installation of the new slide and the MUGA.</p> <p>c) <b>Painting.</b> The Fete Committee had been asked to paint the play area. BW hoped this would be completed within the next 6 weeks.</p>	<b>LH/BW/JE</b>
<b>22/41</b>	<p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO BE ADDED TO NEXT MONTHS AGENDA</b></p> <p>None.</p>	
<b>22/42</b>	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at approx. 9pm in the Main Hall.</p>	

Meeting closed at 21.08