

MINUTES OF LONGRIDGE ASSETS WORKING GROUP
28 MARCH 2022 at 4.00pm

PRESENT

Cllr R Thompson (Chair)	Marshal Scott: Chief Executive
Cllr J Clark	Nicola Hopkins: Dir. of Economic Development and Planning
Cllr J Rogerson	John Heap: Director of Community Services
Cllr S Hirst	Mair Hill: Head of Legal and Democratic Services
Cllr S Fletcher	

APOLOGIES

Received from Colin Hirst

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 March 2022 were approved as a correct record.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Rogerson declared an interest as President of Longridge Band who use the Civic Hall occasionally.

OVER 60's CLUB

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that the Council were now satisfied that the lease had been properly surrendered by the trustees. The only issue in contention was the effective date, as this affected responsibility for payment of bills during the period whilst the surrender was being verified. This was still under discussion and was being followed up.

It was imperative that this aspect be finalised before consideration could be given of what to do with the building in the future.

UPDATE ON ELSEC

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services reported that the 1 director was continuing to run the Civic Hall with the help of volunteers including

- Running the gym with an instructor
- Working on a new membership system
- Working on a new payment system
- Continuing with events

Works to the building had stalled for the moment, but all safety works had been carried out.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

NEXT STEPS - ACTIONS:

1. Another ZOOM working group meeting be arranged for 5 weeks' time for an update on progress with the Over 60's club.
2. A watching brief be kept on the Civic Hall.
3. The Communications Officer to attend the next meeting to discuss positive publicity.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

To be arranged.

The meeting closed at 4.18pm.