

# Whitchurch Town Council

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## EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

### MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 1 JUNE 2021.

#### PRESENT

CLLrs: J. Sinnott (Chair), A. Hall (Vice-Chair), A. Chesters, G. Ebbs, R. Hall, P. Lea, J. Martin, M. Phipps, M. Ridgway, G. Sullivan, and J. Thornton

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Robert Hewson  
Andy Cooper – Minute Taker

#### 1. Apologies

CLlr A. Cooper – due to illness  
CLlr B. Duffy – due to resignation  
CLlr W. McDonnell – due to resignation

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

No specific declarations were received with regard to this agenda.

#### 3. Minutes

Annual Town Council meeting held on 20 May 2021 were agreed and a copy signed as an accurate record of that meeting.

#### 4. Mayor's Announcements

On the afternoon of 1 June 2021 CLlr Sinnott received the resignation of both CLlr B. Duffy and CLlr W. McDonnell.

#### 5. Remaining Business

None.

## **6. Public Participation**

Following a proposal by Cllr A. Hall, seconded by Cllr Ebbs, it was **WTC/3/2122 RESOLVED** to suspend Standing Orders. All in favour – motion carried.

No representations.

Following a proposal by Cllr A. Hall, seconded by Cllr Sullivan, it was **WTC/4/2122 RESOLVED** to reinstate return to Standing Orders. All in favour – motion carried.

## **7. Calendar of Meetings**

Following a proposal by Cllr Thornton, seconded by Cllr Chesters, it was **WTC/5/2122 RESOLVED** to agree Calendar of Meetings 2021/22. Motion carried with Cllr Martin voting against.

## **8. Committees**

### **Personnel Committee**

Cllr A. Hall                      Cllr R. Hall  
Cllr Phipps                      Cllr Sinnott  
Cllr Thornton

### **Planning Committee**

All Councillors will be members of the Planning Committee, with Cllr Sinnott as Chair and Cllr Ebbs as Vice-Chair.

## **9. Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies**

Town Twinning – Cllr Sullivan  
Whitchurch Chamber of Trade – Cllr Lea  
Whitchurch Waterways Trust – Cllr Sullivan  
Queensway Playing Fields Association – Cllr Lea  
Beech Tree Community Centre – Cllr A. Hall  
Whitchurch Walkers (affiliated membership) – Cllr Thornton

## **10. Co-Option**

Applicant Robert Hewson delivered a presentation. Following a proposal by Cllr Thornton, seconded by Cllr Sullivan, it was **WTC/6/2122 RESOLVED** to co-opt Robert Hewson onto Whitchurch Town Council. Motion carried with Cllr. Martin abstaining.

A Declaration of Acceptance of Office form and Declaration of Pecuniary Interests form will be completed at the earliest convenience and within 28 days.

Newly co-opted Cllr Hewson will become a member of the Parks and Public Realm Committee.

## **11. Questions from Councillors**

Cllr Ebbs enquired about training for newly elected Councillors. Cllr Sinnott confirmed this was in hand with further information to follow.

**12. Motions**

Following a proposal by Cllr Thornton, seconded by Cllr A. Hall, it was **WTC/7/2122 RESOLVED** that Whitchurch Town Council rescind Resolution WTC/58B/2021 and revert back to Standing Orders 2018, which were adopted on the 20 September 2018. All in favour – motion carried.

Following a proposal by Cllr Thornton, seconded by Cllr A. Hall, it was **WTC/8/2122 RESOLVED** that a working group be set up to review the 2018 Standing Orders to ascertain if they comply with current legislation. All in favour – motion carried.

**13. Confidential Business**

To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded for the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure of private and confidential information or staff matters.

**14. Appointment of Chief Officer**

Following a proposal by Cllr Thornton, seconded by Cllr Phipps, it was **WTC/9/2122 RESOLVED** to withdraw the offer of appointment. Motion carried with Cllr Martin voting against and Cllr Ebbs abstaining.

**15. Bar Lounge**

Following a proposal by Cllr A. Hall, seconded by Cllr Thornton, it was **WTC/10/2122 RESOLVED** to defer the agenda item to the next meeting of the Full Council. All in favour – motion carried.

**16. Parks Contract**

Following a proposal by Cllr A. Hall, seconded by Cllr Thornton, it was **WTC/11/2122 RESOLVED** to receive the Facilities Manager report. All in favour – motion carried.

**17. Centre North East**

Following a proposal by Cllr A. Thornton, seconded by Cllr Lea, it was **WTC/12/2122 RESOLVED** to notify Shropshire County Council that Whitchurch Town Council will not be purchasing/going ahead with a Capital Asset Transfer. All in favour – motion carried.

**Meeting closed at 8.27 p.m.**

Chair.....

Date.....