



BURNHAM ON CROUCH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 25TH MAY 2021 AT 8pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL, ARCADIA ROAD, BURNHAM ON CROUCH, ESSEX.

Present: Councillors V. Bell (Town Mayor), J. Donnelly, M-A. Munford, W. Stamp and K. Coles.

In Attendance: J Jeffery Temporary Town Clerk and one member of the public.

23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Neil Pudney and Councillor Calver.

24 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

All Town Councillors have completed their Statutory Declarations of Interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and the Code of Conduct for Members, adopted by the Town Council.

Members are required to declare the existence and nature of any 'personal or prejudicial' interests relating to items on the Agenda having regard to the Code of Conduct for Members. Members are reminded that they are also required to declare interests as soon as they become aware should the need arise throughout the Meeting.

None Declared

25 CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS

There were no candidates for the by-election called in respect of the casual vacancies in the north ward of the town following the resignations of Councillors Fiona Clegg and Jane English. Councillors are requested to resolve that i) the Town Council co-opt to fill the two vacant seats in the north ward of the town and ii) the notice of co-option be published for a period of twenty-eight days.

RESOLVED: The notice of ordinary vacancy to fill two seats in the north ward of the town be advertised.

Cllr Stamp advised that advertising needs to be done to encourage residents to join the council.

Cllr Munford asked the criteria for the General Power of Competence, Cllr Stamp informed it is two thirds elected members and a CiLCA qualified clerk.

RESOLVED: Agenda item – General Power of Competence.

ACTION: Agenda for next meeting.

26 PURCHASE OF A WEB CAM

To discuss and agree the purchase of a web cam to record meetings for the internet, Cllr Bell.

Cllr Bell informed that online meetings had generated a greater involvement from residents, Cllr Donnelly advised that not everyone is ready to rush back out, so a web cam would give people the opportunity to join meetings.

Cllr Stamp suggested looking into the purchase properly. Cllr Donnelly and Cllr Coles will work together and bring to next meeting.

RESOLVED: Cllr Donnelly and Cllr Cole to bring costings to next meeting.

Action: Cllr Donnelly and Cllr Cole to gather costings and agenda for next meeting.

27 ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

To discuss and agree the addition of Information Commissioner's Office and Maldon District Council Data Protection Officer subscriptions.

Cllr Stamp asked for costing to be confirmed and the item deferred to next meeting.

RESOLVED: COSTINGS TO BE OBTAINED AND AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

ACTION: Temp Town Clerk to gather costing.

28 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Councillors to Resolve that by virtue of the provisions of Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded during discussion of the following business on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Proposed by Cllr Bell, seconded by Cllr Stamp.

29 STAFFING COMMITTEE

"To progress staffing issue referenced in confidential report dated 25th May 2021 Referenced SC001".

30 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

To close the Meeting having considered and determined all items of business.
Meeting closed at 8.40pm.