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| Meeting (No)   | <b>Full Council Meeting (8)</b>                |
| Time & Date    | <b>15<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at 6.00pm</b> |
| Location       | <b>Neston Town Hall</b>                        |
| <b>Minutes</b> |  |

Present: Cllrs Wastell (Mayor), Griffiths, Harper, Jackson, Jones, Kynaston, Marple, and Mrs A Kunaj (Council Manager).

The meeting was started at 6.20pm.

**PART 1: Items considered in the presence of the press and public**

**82 Apologies for absence**

**Resolved** to accept apologies from Cllrs Hinks, Heritage, Hudspeth and Townsend (personal) and Flockhart and Warner (business).

The absences of Cllrs Davies, Samuels and Willis were noted.

**83 Questions and comments from residents.** None.

**84 Minutes of the meetings**

**Resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> January 2022 as a true and correct record. The Mayor signed the minutes.

**85 Declarations of Interest:** None.

**86 Mayor's Report**

Members received an oral report from the Mayor.

It was noted that Cllr Kynaston had attended at the Neston and District Community Fund event at which Cllr Wastell had been unable to attend.

Cllr Wastell took part in a tree planting event at West Vale Park, where trees had been donated by Mersey Forest and CWaC.

**87 Council Manager's report**

a The Council Manager's report FC8/87 was received.

The Council Manager and Governance and Operations Manager have booked to attend at a virtual Community Engagement Summit being held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

The Council's end of year accounts will be completed by RBS on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May and the Internal Auditor will complete the final IA inspection on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

**88 Casual Vacancies**

An amendment, by way of substitution of the word 'required' with 'invited' was proposed to the proposal that casual vacancy candidates for co-option be required to attend the meeting at which their co-option is being considered, and that they are notified that they may have questions put to them by members. The amendment was carried.

**Resolved:** that casual vacancy candidates for co-option be invited to attend the meeting at which their co-option is being considered, and that they are notified that they may have questions put to them by members.

**Mayor's initial and date**

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| <b>89</b>  | <b>Recommendations from committees</b>  |
| 1  | <i>Resources &amp; Policy 08.02.2022 items 110,111 &amp; 121 respectively.</i>  |
| a  | <b>Resolved</b> to approve the following Council Policies:<br>i. Subject Access Request Complaint Policy.<br>ii. Audio/Visual Recording and Photography at Council Meetings Policy  |
| b  | <b>Resolved</b> that the list of assets to 31.02.22, as outlined in report FC8/90b was correct.   |
| <b>90</b>  | <b>To note the minutes of the committee meetings</b>  |
| a  | <i>Community and Environment: 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022 minutes were noted.</i>  |
| b  | <i>Resources and Policy: 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022 minutes were noted.</i>   |
| <b>91</b>  | <b>Next meeting date</b>  |
| a.   | Members noted the next scheduled council meeting was 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2022, the Annual Meeting of the Council.  |
| b.   | Members confirmed that they wished for the Annual Town Meeting to be scheduled for 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2022.   |
| <b>93</b>  | <b>Any other Items:</b> None.   |
| <b>94</b>  | <b>Exclusion of the Press and Public</b>  |
|  | <b>Resolved</b> that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item. |
| <b>PART 2: Items considered in the absence of the press and public</b> |   |
| <b>95</b>  | <b>External Facilitator for Contract</b>  |
|  | a. Members noted that at the last Council meeting the proposal by Pete Cooper to assist Council with its Strategic Planning and to conduct a Staffing review had been approved.<br>b. An oral report on the outcome of the pre-contract discussions with Pete Cooper on 08.02.2022, was provided.<br>c. <b>Resolved</b> to approve quotation of £8,000 + expenses (excluding VAT).  |
| <b>96</b>  | <b>Staff working hours</b>  |
|  | <b>Resolved</b> to approve recommendation from HR Sub-committee as outlined in paper HR6/52a for temporary amendment of staff contract.   |

Meeting closed at 7pm.

Signed



Dated

4/4/2022