

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SOUTH MOLTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE GARDEN ROOM, THE AMORY CENTRE, SOUTH MOLTON ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022 AT 7.00PM

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Present: In the Chair: Town Mayor Cllr S. Lock  
 Cllr M. Bushell Cllr J Footman  
 Cllr R. Herniman Cllr M. Hullahnd  
 Cllr Mrs. C. Lock Cllr. D. Worden

In Attendance: Mr. A. C. Coates – Town Clerk

1. **PRAYERS**

The meeting was opened in prayer by Cllr Worden.

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs Bishop, Cornelius, Henderson, Kingdon and Way.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

4. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman wished all the Councillors a Happy Christmas.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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It was RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved. Cllr Hullahnd abstained as he was not present at that meeting.

Cllr Footman mentioned that she had asked for an apology from the Mayor regarding the several interruptions made by him at the last meeting regarding agenda item 9 - "Update of Skate Molton and YMCA". The Mayor replied that he had only interrupted Cllr Footman once and that he had also interrupted other Councillors during the meeting.

6. **DCC TO REPORT TO MEMBERS**

On behalf of Cllr Yabsley, the Town Clerk informed Councillors that he had had a meeting with Cllr Yabsley last week and that the following issues were ready to be actioned:

- Church Street to be resurfaced;
- Queen Street closure
- Puddle opposite Church Walk steps
- Double yellow lines in Mole Ridge Way

Councillor Worden requested that the Town Clerk ask Councillor Yabsley to try and get the minor roads in South Molton gritted during icy spells.

7. **SOCIAL HOUSING**

It was unanimously RESOLVED to accept the Town Clerks recommendation to set up a Community Land Trust (CLT) in order to qualify for future potential funding.

8. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

9. **REPRESENTATIVES TO REPORT ON MEETINGS ATTENDED**

- a. Cllr Worden advised that he had recently attended a Community Gardens Meeting at which it was agreed to set money aside for a new shed which had been vandalised.
- b. Cllr Worden read out the report that was circulated with the Agenda. Cllr Worden also mentioned that the Landkey By-Election had been won by the Liberal Democrat Candidate. He had also attended a meeting with Torridge District Council to undertake a partial review of the local plan.

10. **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT TO MEMBERS**

The Town Clerk advised the following:

- a) A quiet and warm space will be established in the Amory Centre Foyer
- b) Still chasing 1610 Ltd regarding the recent tender.
- c) The Amory Centre will be closed from Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December to Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023.

Councillors thanked the Town Clerk and staff for the successful recent Town events.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.48pm

Chairman.....

Date.....