

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL

Held on Tuesday, 18 October 2022

Commencing at 6.00pm

At the Speedwell Rooms, Inkersall Road, Staveley

Present:

Councillors	P Wilson (Chair)	C Jackson	J Mann
	B Bingham	P Jacobs	R Perry
	D Denton	J Kay	D Rhodes
	B Dyke	C Ludlow	
	R Holwell	P Mann	

In Attendance: S Doherty – Town Clerk and RFO
2 members of the public

- 1046/SD/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Councillors D Collins, K Thornton, E Tidd, and M Adcock (Derbys Police).
- 1047/SD/22 COUNCILLORS NOT PRESENT**
None.
- 1048/SD/22 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**
The Chairman welcomed the new Town Clerk, S Doherty and gave his best wishes for the retirement of former Clerk M Evans.
- 1049/SD/22 CORRESPONDENCE**
None to discuss.
- 1050/SD/22 INTRODUCTION TO NEW COUNCILLORS**
The Chairman welcomed Councillors J Mann and R Perry to their first meeting.
- 1051/SD/22 ITEMS OF THE AGENDA MOVED INTO PART 2 OF THE MEETING WITH PUBLIC BEING EXCLUDED**
- RESOLVED:**
- That item 14 be brought forward into part 1 of the agenda to be discussed in public.
- 1052/SD/22 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' AND OFFICERS INTERESTS**
- a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
None.
- b) Requests for Dispensations
None.
- 1053/SD/22 PUBLIC SPEAKING**
A Councillor wished to congratulate a member of the community for obtaining the community rooms at Inkersall.

1054/SD/22 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 28 JUNE 2022

None.

1055/SD/22 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF STAVELEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 28 JUNE 2022

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 28 June 2022 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

1056/SD/22 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

a) Accounts

The Clerk gave an update on the position with the end of year accounts. It was hoped to send the information to the internal auditor by the end of the week and then this would be ready to come to the next Council meeting for sign of before sending to the External Auditor.

Councillors expressed their discontent that the accounts were so delayed and still not ready. It was confirmed that alternative measures would be examined going forward to ensure that the accounts were handled in the required timeframes.

b) Events

There were a number of events coming up which the team had been working hard to pull together between them. These were the Fireworks and Halloween Disco, Remembrance Sunday and the Christmas Lights Switch on. Further work was required on the Christmas event.

c) Grants

The Clerk notified Council that she would be applying for a grants to help put on the events going forward.

1057/SD/22 CHESTERFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL

A question was asked as to what would be happening with the Woodthorpe Memorial Cross which had been demolished by a drunk driver incident and reported to CBC. It was requested that the Clerk seek an update as another Councillor had been informed that this was being dealt with.

1058/SD/22 DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Nothing to report outside of correspondence forwarded via email.

A Councillor reminded Council that he had asked for the County Councillors to be allowed to take turns in giving a report regarding DCC matters. Another Councillor felt that this item

was for a report from the Clerk. The Clerk would look at this for next time.

1059/SD/22

STAVELEY TOWN DEAL – PROPOSED EXTENSION TO STAVELEY HALL

The Clerk reported that the Planning Applications had now been registered and were out for consultation. It would be a few weeks before the results were known. In the meantime the Project Officer was working through the pre-contract conditions.

In response to a query on contingency funding the Clerk reported that the costs were reassessed earlier in the year and the contingency was on top of those newly calculated costs which took into account inflation. The Clerk would be looking at additional grant funding opportunities to try and reduce the risk to the Council.

Discussion was held regarding the Speedwell Rooms. There was no update to be provided to this meeting but assurances were given that any decisions would be brought to Council for approval.

1060/SD/22

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

RESOLVED:

That in view of the fact that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, representatives of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of the following items.

1061/SD/22

ESTABLISHMENTS

The Clerk updated the Council with regard to some temporary arrangements that had been put in place by the former Town Clerk. These would be for a period of 3 months.

In response to a query the Clerk confirmed that she would be conducting a review of the establishment.

1062/SD/22

STAFFING – UPDATE

The Clerk updated the Council with regard to some staffing issues and confirmed that the former Clerk had now retired and requested that he should not be contacted by Councillors or staff.

RESOLVED:

That Councillors not be permitted to contact the former Town Clerk to discuss Council business. All necessary contact to be conducted through the Town Clerk in post.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7:17pm.

Signed: _____

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