

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 17TH
MARCH, 2020 AT 7.00.P.M. AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, MILL
STREET, KIRKHAM

Present:- Councillor E. Oades (Mayor, in the Chair) Councillors P. Brearley, D. Buckley, J. Cameron, P. Hodgson and E. Silverwood.

The Mayor announced that the meeting was to be recorded.

2020/3/1 Apologies were accepted from:- Councillors Mrs P. Brearley, P. Hardy, C. Hopkinson and S. Jones.

2020/3/2 Declarations of Interest in an Agenda item. Declarations were received from Councillor E. Oades, Personal All Planning Applications. Councillor P. Brearley, Personal, Planning Application 20/0111 and 20/0058, Councillor D. Buckley, Personal, 20/0068, Prejudicial 20/0103/ and Personal 20/0178, Councillor P. Hodgson, Personal, All Planning Applications, All quotations, 2020/3/3. Councillor E. Silverwood, Prejudicial, 20/0103.

2020/3/3 To accept as a correct record the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Tuesday, 11th February, 2020 and the Extraordinary Meeting held on Tuesday, 25th February, 2020.

2020/3/4 To receive the minutes of, and determine recommendations made by the LPAOS Committee.

- (i) To accept the quotation from A1 Linings in the sum of £1,202.88.**
- (ii) To accept the quotation from Meadow Security in the sum of £1,370.00.**
- (iii) To accept the quotation from Meadow Security in the sum of £245.00.**

2020/3/5 To receive Minutes and determine recommendations made by the Staffing Committee.

(i) It was agreed that Council accept the revised Staff Holiday Request Form.

2020/3/6 To receive Reports (for information only).

- (i) Police. Council discussed the graffiti problem in the town and felt that there should be more feedback from the police, it was agreed that Councillor Silverwood contact the PCSO asking for an update.**
- (ii) Mayor's Announcements.**
- (iii) The Mayor reported that she would advise that the football club be advised that, as all users of Wm Segar Hodgson have cancelled bookings the Council wished to take the opportunity to deep clean the building and carry out necessary maintenance.**

- (iv) The Mayor reported that most bookings at the Community Centre have been cancelled, it was suggested that if, and when, the Play Group cancel their sessions that the opportunity be taken to deep clean the building and carry out maintenance.
- (v) The Mayor asked Council if, in view of the Coronavirus, the Council wished to suspend full Council meetings until further notice. It was unanimously resolved by Council that this should be done and that any decision making needed in future months, should be done via technology. It was also unanimously resolved to set up an Urgency Committee, in the event any urgent decisions need to be made, comprising of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Hodgson and Councillor Mrs P. Brearley.
- (vi) It was also agreed that the Town Council place an advertisement in the Kirkham and Wesham Advertiser, in conjunction with Wesham Town Council, if agreed, offering advice and help to residents. It was also agreed that the website be updated to post important and helpful advice and a new facebook site be put in place to communicate with residents.
- (vii) It was agreed to accept the quotation from Altitude Services to repair the lights on Mill Street and Memorial Way in the sum of £1,260.00.
- (viii) It was agreed to accept the cost, types and positioning of memorial benches as recommended.
- (ix) It was agreed to update the Community Centre computer with an SSD Drive in the sum of £130.00.

2020/3/7 Finances.

- (i) The monthly accounts for January and February were accepted.
- (ii) To agree the payments as listed on the Agenda.

2020/3/8 The following Planning applications were discussed and the following recommendations were made:-

19/0990 O/L 4 x 3 storey dwellings following demolition of carpet shop building. The Council objects as they feel that the absence of car parking with this development would be injurious to existing residents and businesses in Freckleton Street and would therefore impact on community wellbeing. As there is insufficient parking for existing residents there would be nowhere for future residents to park as all surrounding streets are already over parked. As all car parks in Kirkham are shopper car parks it is unacceptable to cite them as being available for residents, the car parks are important to the town's trading in these very fragile times for retail.

20/0068 80 Poulton Street, Single storey side extension. No objection.

20/0096 Top House, Freckleton Street, erection of one two storey dwelling. The Council objects as the massing and overlooking impact on neighbouring properties is unacceptable.

20/0103 36 Poulton Street, Display of Illuminated Facscia sign. No objection.

20/0111 73 Ribby Road, Single Storey Extension. No objection.

**20/0058 63 Ribby Road, Retrospective application for front boundary wall.
No objection.**

20/0170 Selby Mills, Richard Street, Replacement Mast. No objection.

**20/0174 13 Mitton Crescent, Resubmission, single storey extension. No
objection.**

**20/0178 75 Poulton Street, Change of use and three storey extension. No
objection.**

**2020/3/11 To accept the recommendation of the working group on the
accounts programme that Sage, and full Sage support, in the sum of £1,584.00.,
be purchased and installed from 1.4.2020.**

**2020/3/12 Councillor Hodgson advised Council that he had re-negotiated the
gas and electricity charges and that there was a decrease in the cost of the future
supply.**

The meeting closed at 8.25.p.m.