



CHILTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Chilton Town Council

held at Hutton House, Chilton, County Durham, on Monday 28th June 2021 at 6.00pm

Chairman: *Councillor E.Bruce (Mayor)*

Present: *S.Sutherland, A.Bruce, J.Cairns, V.Collinson, P.Davies, K.Hornsby, P.Malpas, L.Rundle.*

In attendance:

Members of the public: nil

OM56.0/21. APOLOGIES

Cllr. M.Young, G.Wheadon.

OM57.0/21 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Nil

OM58.0/21. MEMBERS' DISPENSATION

None.

OM59.0/21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nil

OM60.0/21 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

On a resolution proposed by Cllr. A.Bruce and seconded by Cllr. S.Sutherland in accordance with Paragraph 2 of the 1960 Public Bodies Act the members of the public were excluded from the remainder of the business of the meeting.

OM61.0/21 STAFFING ISSUES

The Chairman presented a verbal update report from NEREO in regards to current staffing issues. A heated discussion took place, and for a period of time the Chairman suspended the meeting and reminded members of the need to respect other colleagues points of view. Cllr. J.Cairns requested her concern at the report being verbal and the format of the meeting itself be placed on record.

Following discussion, it was proposed Cllr. E.Bruce, seconded Cllr. S.Sutherland and carried:-

- a. To accept updated NEREO Report
- b. To agree in principle the content and terms of the agreement as outlined by NEREO

- c. To pay legal fees
- d. To provide a reference as detailed by NEREO, any major alterations to the reference to be referred back to Full Council.

At this point the Acting Town Clerk was invited to join the meeting.

OM62.0/21 STAFF VACANCIES

Members agreed the Acting Town Clerk to prepare job descriptions, job role and person specifications for the vacant posts for the July meeting. It was agreed he could seek the assistance of Mr. D.Shingleton in this matter. Members agreed that in this interim period the Acting Town Clerk may employ Mr. D.Shingleton on a consultancy basis.

OM52.0/21 PHOTOCOPIER

It was agreed to defer this item to allow Cllr. J.Cairns and Acting Town Clerk to obtain a third tender.

OM55.0/21 NEXT MEETING

To be held on Tuesday 13th July 2021 St. Aidans Church Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.03pm

Signed:-

Mayor of Chilton
13th July 2021