



# Congleton Town Council

Historic market town

Chief Officer: David McGifford



5<sup>th</sup> August 2016

Dear Councillor,

## **Extraordinary Town Council Meeting – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016**

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council, to be held in the Town Hall, Congleton on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016** commencing at **6.30pm and finishing at 7.00pm.**

**Please note that there will be a meeting of the Community, Environment and Services Committee after this meeting, commencing at 7.00 pm**

**The Public and Press are welcome to attend the meeting.** There may be confidential items towards the end of the meeting which the law requires the Council to make a resolution to exclude the public and press.

Yours sincerely,

D McGifford  
Chief Officer

## **AGENDA**

1. **Apologies for absence.** (Members are respectfully reminded of the necessity to submit any apologies for absence in advance and to give a reason for non attendance).

2. **Minutes** (enclosed)

To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

3. **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest**

Members are requested to declare both “non pecuniary” and “pecuniary” interests as early in the meeting as they become aware of it.

4. **Outstanding Actions**

None.



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5. **Public Toilets** (Report to be provided at the meeting)\_

To review quotes received for the refurbishment of the Market street toilets and agree the next steps.

To: All Members of the Town Council,

CC: Press 2, Burgesses (5), Mayor's Chaplain,  
Members of the Youth Committee  
MP, Cheshire East Councillors (1), Library, Congleton Tourist Information Centre.

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the  
7<sup>th</sup> July 2016 in the Town Hall Congleton

## Present: Councillors

N Adams  
Mrs S Akers Smith  
Mrs A L Armit  
P Bates  
C Booth (Deputy Town Mayor)  
P Broom  
D T Brown (Town Mayor)  
G R Edwards  
G P Hayes  
Mrs S A Holland  
Mrs A E Morrison  
Mrs J D Parry  
G S Williams

1. **Apologies for absence.** (Members are respectfully reminded of the necessity to submit any apologies for absence in advance and to give a reason for non-attendance).

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs D S Allen, J G Baggott, R Boston  
Mrs A M Martin, Mrs E Wardlaw.

2. **Minutes**

To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

**CTC/17/1617 Resolved that** the Minutes of the meeting held on 16th June 2016 be approved but noted that Cllr G P Hayes was not in attendance as recorded.

3. **Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest**

Members are requested to declare both “non-pecuniary” and “pecuniary” interests as early in the meeting as they become aware of it.

Cllrs P Bates, D T Brown, G P Hayes, G S Williams declared a non – pecuniary interest in any matters relating to Cheshire East Council.

4. **Outstanding Actions**

None.

## 5. Questions from Members of the Public

To receive any questions from Members of the Public at the meeting and, notified in advance in writing.

There were no questions from members of the public.

## 6 Presentation

Standing orders were suspended to receive a presentation on –

**The Tour of Britain Stage 3 Start:** Congleton 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

From Peter Hodges of Sweetspot (the Tour of Britain race organisers), Cllr Mrs S Akers Smith and the Chief Officer.

Peter Hodges outlined the benefits and opportunities associated with hosting a stage start of the Tour of Britain Cycle Race which included –

- Access to elite sportsman for visitors and supporters
- More than 1.2 million live spectators across an eight day event
- Worldwide television coverage
- Average of 150,000 spectators per Stage
- 37% of spectators were from outside the local area
- 67% of spectators were inspired to cycle more often

Cllr Mrs S Akers Smith and the Chief Officer outlined the pre-race promotion plans and business sponsorship packages and advised that the next focus would be on developing activity for the day.

## 7 Mayor's Announcements

The Town Mayor drew attention to the various engagements as listed and thanked the Deputy Mayor for his support.

## 8. Planning Committee

**CTC/18/1617 Resolved to** receive the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd June 2016 and the recommendations therein be adopted.

## 9. Finance and Policy Committee

**CTC/19/1617 Resolved to** receive the minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016 and the recommendations therein be adopted.

## 10 Community Environment and Services Committee

**CTC/20/1617 Resolved to** receive the minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2016 and the recommendations therein be adopted.

- The Town Mayor wished to note the support and input from the Police at the Community Environment and Services Committee meetings.

**11 Town Hall Committee**

**CTC /21/1617 Resolved to** receive the minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016 and the recommendations therein be adopted.

**12 Personnel Committee**

**CTC/22/1617 Resolved to** receive the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 and the recommendations therein be adopted.

**13. Urgent Items**

Members may raise urgent items but no discussion or decisions may be taken at the meeting.

There were no urgent items raised by members.

**14. Cheshire East Councillors' Reports**

To suspend Standing Orders to allow Councillors from the principal authority to report on relevant issues and to receive questions from members.

**Cllr P Bates Reported**

The Schools sports day at Congleton Town FC was a great success and well attended.

The owners of Bossons Mill had been advised on the methodology of demolition and that CEC (Cheshire East Council) would be seeking to recover costs from them. Materials from the demolition of the Mill being stored by CEC are the property of the owners and are being held for them to dispose of.

Cllr P Bates reminded Councillors that the following week will be the first anniversary of the Bosley disaster.

**15. Youth Committee**

To deal with Questions from Members of the Youth Committee present at the meeting.

There were no questions from members of the Youth Committee, The Town Mayor encouraged that this opportunity should be taken.

**16. WYG Cheshire Retail Study May 2016**

Councillors received a verbal summary of the White Young Green Retail Study from the Town Centre and Marketing Manager who outlined the key issues as.-

- Poor methodology in terms of data collection and consultation
- In conflict with the emerging Congleton Neighbourhood Plan
- Appears to be no recognition of the future housing growth of the town
- Potential negative impact on future development.

**CTC/23/1617 Resolved to** formally write to both Cheshire East Council and the Local Plan Inspector outlining the above concerns.