

## Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2016  
in the Town Hall Congleton.

**PRESENT:** Councillors:

Mrs S Akers Smith  
Mrs A L Armitt  
J G Baggott  
P Bates  
R Boston  
P Broom  
D T Brown (Town Mayor)  
G R Edwards  
G P Hayes  
Mrs S A Holland  
Mrs A M Martin  
Mrs J D Parry  
Mrs E Wardlaw  
G S Williams

### 1. **APOLOGIES**

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

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs D S Allen C Booth Mrs A E Morrison.

### 2. **MINUTES**

To approve the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

**CTC/34/1617 RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016 be approved and signed by the Mayor.

### 3. **DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSIBLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

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

Cllrs J G Baggott, P Bates, D T Brown, G Hayes, Mrs E Wardlaw and GS Williams declared a non-pecuniary interest in any matters relating to Cheshire East Council. GP Hayes declared a “non-pecuniary” interest in item 15.

4. **OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

There were no outstanding actions.

5. **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions from members of the public.

6 **MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Town Mayor drew attention to the various engagements that he and the Deputy Town Mayor had fulfilled since the last Council meeting.

7. **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**CTC/35/1617 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meetings held 13<sup>th</sup> October and 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

8. **COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT & SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**CTC/36/1617 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

9. **FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE**

**CTC/37/1617 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

10. **URGENT ITEMS**

There were no urgent items.

11 **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

Cllr P Bates provided verbal updates / announcements on the following

- Nominated Neighbour scheme launch –for packs which are available for residents of Cheshire East, contact the Citizens Advice consumer service on 03454 040506. More information is available from CEC Trading Standards.
- Preparatory Budget award meeting for Congleton to take place in January
- Lifestyle and health advice services in the borough have been brought together under one support system – known as 'One You' Cheshire East.
- Each Town Council awarded four free car parking days to be used at their discretion
- HS2 Crewe to have 2 stops per hour
- Funding approved for additional dual carriageway works on the A500
- Exploratory work being undertaken for the Middlewich Eastern By Pass
- Congleton Link Road, close to completion on the compulsory purchase consultation, hoped that the road will be complete by 2020
- Kingdom have issued 1800 Fixed Penalty Notices across Cheshire East
- Macclesfield A&E will be kept open

**12. YOUTH COMMITTEE**

- a) **CTC/38/ 1617 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Youth Committee meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November be received.
- b) To deal with Questions from Members of the Youth Committee present at the meeting.

There were no questions from members of the Youth Committee.

**13. CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS**

To receive and consider a report on the office opening and closing times for the Christmas period.

**CTC/39/1617 RESOLVED to** approve the opening and closing times for the Christmas Period

**14. PRECEPT 2017-18**

To consider the recommendation from the Finance & Policy Committee held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2016 to approve the precept.

**CTC/40/1617 RESOLVED**

- 1. That the revenue and capital budget for 2017-18 as set out in the Budget report, be approved.
- 2. That a precept of £798,212 be approved for 2017-18.

**15. CONSULTATION ON HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING PROVISION**

To note the information relating to the above information

**CTC/41/1617 resolved** to encourage Councillors to make individual responses and for the Chief Officer to arrange an Emergency Council meeting to agree a formal Council response

**D T Brown  
(Town Mayor)**