

# Congleton Town Council

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018 Town Hall Congleton

### **PRESENT:** Councillors

Mrs S Akers Smith (Town Mayor)  
Mrs D S Allen  
Mrs A L Armitt  
C H Booth  
P Broom  
D T Brown  
G R Edwards  
G P Hayes  
Mrs S A Holland (Deputy Town Mayor)  
Mrs A Martin  
Mrs A E Morrison  
Mrs J D Parry  
M A Walker  
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 were received from** Cllrs J G Baggott, P Bates, R Boston and Mrs E Wardlaw.

2. **Minutes**

To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

**CTC/33/1819 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018 be approved and signed by the Mayor.

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.

Councillors, G P Hayes and 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 including those received in writing 7 days prior to the meeting.

There were no questions from members of the public.

**6. Mayor's Announcements**

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

**7. Finance & Policy Committee**

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

**CTC/34/1819 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

**8. Planning Committee**

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October and 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

**CTC/35/1819 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October and 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

**9. Community, Environment & Services Committee**

To receive the minutes of the meetings held on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

**CTC/36/1819 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

**10. Internal Audit Report**

**CTC/37/1819 RESOLVED** to receive and approve the first interim internal audit report 2018/19

**11. Budget and Precept for 2019/20**

**CTC/38/1819 RESOLVED** to approve the recommendation from the Finance and Policy Committee held on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2018 to approve the precept and budget for 2019/20 Which is £884,152 which will be £86.21 per year per Band D property (18/19 was £836,153 and £84.09 per band D property not £81.93 as per the accompanying report.)

**12. Christmas Office Hours**

**CTC/39/1819 RESOLVED** to approve the office opening and closing times for the Christmas period.

**13. Resignation of Councillor H Richards**

**CTC/40/1819 RESOLVED** to approve the recommendation of the Chief Officer to not fill the vacancy for a Councillor following the resignation of Cllr H Richards.

**14. Cheshire East Council Consultation on Car Parking Charges**

**CTC/41/1819 RESOLVED to** agree to the proposed Town Council response to the Cheshire East Council (CEC) Car Parking Charges Consultation.

**15. Urgent Items**

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

There were no urgent items raised

**16. 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.

Advising that the CEC budget consultation was in progress and the release of the Air Quality Strategy

**17. Youth Committee**

- a) To receive the minutes of the Youth Committee meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018.
- 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.

**Cllr Mrs S Akers Smith  
(Town Mayor)**