

## Congleton Town Council

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020

Conducted via Zoom – Meeting ID: 844 9884 4711

**\*\*Please note – These are draft, minutes and will not be ratified until the next meeting of the Council on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020.**

**PRESENT:**

Sally Ann Holland (Mayor)  
Suzanne Akers Smith (Items 12-14)  
David Brown  
Russell Chadwick  
Robert Douglas  
Paul Duffy  
Suzy Firkin  
Margaret Gartside  
George Hayes  
Robert Hemsley  
Amanda Martin  
Rob Moreton (Items 1- 14)  
Denis Murphy (Deputy Mayor)  
Jean Parry  
James Smith  
Kay Wesley

**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 Councillor Mark Rogan.

**2. Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**CTC/24/2021 RESOLVED** to approve and sign the [minutes of the Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020](#).

**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 Sally Ann Holland (Mayor), David Brown, Rob Moreton, Denis Murphy and George Hayes declared a non-pecuniary interest in any matters relating to Cheshire East Council.

**4. Questions from Members of the Public**

There were no questions from members of the public.

**5. Town Mayor's Announcements**

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

**6. Outstanding Actions**

There were no outstanding actions.

**7. Youth Committee**

There were no questions received from Members of the Youth Committee present at the meeting.

**8. Community & Environment Committee**

**CTC/25/2021 RESOLVED** to receive the [minutes of the Community & Environment Committee meeting held on 30th July 2020](#).

**9. Planning Committee**

**CTC/26/2021 RESOLVED** to receive the [minutes of the Planning Committee held on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2020](#).

**10. Finance & Policy Committee**

**CTC/27/2021 RESOLVED** to receive the [minutes of the Finance & Policy Committee held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020](#).

**11. Personnel Committee**

**CTC/28/2021 RESOLVED** to receive the [minutes of the Personnel Committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020](#).

**12. Additional Christmas Lights**

**CTC/29/2021 RESOLVED** to approve the purchase of the lights as set out in the report using company A (Lite Limited) at a cost of £8,397 with funding to be taken from the Town Council's Ear Marked Reserve and the Christmas Lights budget.

**13. Leisure Centre Development Clarification**

**CTC/30/2021 RESOLVED to** receive the clarification with regards to the leisure centre development.

**14. Urgent Items**

There were no urgent items raised

**15. Cheshire East Councillors' Reports**

To suspend Standing Orders to allow Councillors from the principal authority to report on matters relating or impacting on Congleton.

It was noted that Cheshire East Council was evaluating the impact on the SADPD planning document (Site Allocations and Development Policies Document) and that it could conflict to the emerging Congleton Neighbourhood Plan.

**16. Resolution to exclude members of the press and public from item 17 due to Commercial Sensitivities**

**CTC/31/2021 RESOLVED to** exclude members of the press and public from item 17 due to Commercial Sensitivities.

**17. Streetscape Contract**

**CTC/32/2021 RESOLVED to** approve the recommendations made by the chief Officer within the report on the Streetscape contract.

**CLlr Sally Ann Holland  
(Town Mayor)**