

Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 1st October 2020

Conducted via Zoom – Meeting ID: 844 9884 4711

For the papers discussed at the meeting, please see the Meeting Agenda of the Council held on [1st October 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 20th 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 13th August 2020](#).

10. Finance & Policy Committee

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

11. Personnel Committee

CTC/28/2021 RESOLVED to receive the [minutes of the Personnel Committee held on 25th 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)**