

Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the Council meeting held at Congleton Town Hall on Thursday 24th June 2021

For the papers discussed at the meeting, please see the [Meeting Agenda of the Council 24th June 2021](#)

Present: Councillors

Denis Murphy (Town Mayor)
Margaret Gartside (Deputy Mayor)
David Brown
Duncan Amies
Martin Amies
Robert Douglas
Suzy Firkin
George Hayes
Robert Hemsley
Sally Ann Holland
Amanda Martin
Rob Moreton
James Smith
Kay Wesley

Also Present: Congleton Town Council Officers: D McGifford, J Potts and J Macarthur
1 member of the press

Minutes

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Akers Smith, Allen, Chadwick, Duffy and Parry.

2. Minutes of Previous Meetings

CTC/10/2122 RESOLVED to approve and sign the [Minutes of the Council meetings held on the 22nd April, 29th April and 6th May 2021](#).

3. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

Councillors Murphy, Brown, Hayes, Holland and Moreton 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. Urgent Items

There were no urgent items raised at the meeting.

6. Town Mayor's Announcements

The Town Mayor drew attention to the various engagements that he had fulfilled.

7. Outstanding Actions

There were no outstanding actions from previous meetings.

8. Youth Committee

There were no members of the Youth Committee present at the meeting.

9. Community and Environment Committee

CTC/11/2122 RESOLVED that the [minutes of the Community and Environment Committee meeting held on 11th March 2021](#) be received, and the recommendations therein be adopted.

10. Planning Committee

CTC/12/2122 RESOLVED that the [minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 15th April and 20th May 2021](#) be received, and the recommendations therein be adopted.

11. Finance and Policy Committee (Enclosed)

CTC/13/2122 RESOLVED that the [minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on 25th March 2021](#) be received, and the recommendations therein be adopted.

12. Annual Governance and Accountability Return 20/21

CTC/14/2122 RESOLVED to:

- (i) To receive and approve the Annual Governance Statement 2020/21.
- (ii) To receive and approve the Accounting Statements 2020/21.

13. Personnel Committee

CTC/15/2122 RESOLVED that the [minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held on 17th December 2020](#) be received, and the recommendations therein be adopted.

14. Town Hall Assets and Services Committee

CTC/16/2122 RESOLVED that the [minutes of the Town Hall, Assets and Services Committee meeting held on 25th February 2021](#) be received, and the recommendations therein be adopted.

15. Cheshire East Councillors' Reports

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

- Members were advised that Cheshire East Council (CEC) will shortly be entering into the consultation phase for the Governance Review – **Action** Cllr G Hayes to forward details to the Chief Officer for circulation.

16. Tour of Britain 2021

CTC/17/2122 RESOLVED to confirm that the Town Council would not be able to host the start of the 2021 Tour of Britain cycle race due to the financial risk caused by the uncertainty over Covid restrictions and a potential reduced capacity.

17. 750 Charter Year Celebration Budget

CTC/18/2122 RESOLVED to approve a budget allocation for the 750 Charter Year Celebrations as recommended within the report.

**Denis Murphy
(Town Mayor)**