

Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting held at Congleton Town Hall on 27th April 2023

For the papers discussed at the meeting, please see the [Meeting Agenda of the Council on the 27th April 2023](#)

Present:

Councillors:

Margaret Gartside (Mayor)
Duncan Amies
Martin Amies
David Brown
Suzanne Akers Smith
Russell Chadwick
Robert Douglas
Paul Duffy
Suzy Firkin
Sally Ann Holland
Robert Hemsley
Amanda Martin
Rob Moreton
Denis Murphy
Mark Rogan
James Smith
Kay Wesley

Congleton Town Council Officer: David McGifford (Chief Officer), Officer)

- There were no members of the press in attendance.
- 1 member of the public in attendance
- 4 members of staff – Jackie MacArthur, Serena Van Schapdael, Sue Trow and Cathy Dean

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Dawn Allen, George Hayes and Jean Parry

2. Minutes of Previous Meetings

CTC/54/2223 RESOLVED to approve and sign the [Minutes of the Council meeting on the 9th February 2023.](#)

3. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

Councillors David Brown, Suzie Akers Smith, Sally Ann Holland, Denis Murphy and Rob Moreton all declared a non-pecuniary interest in any matters relating to Cheshire East Council.

4. Questions from Members of the Public

No comments

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 she had fulfilled.

7. Outstanding Actions

There were no outstanding actions from previous meetings.

8. Community and Environment Committee

CTC/55/2223 RESOLVED to receive the minutes of the [Community and Environment Committee meeting held on 3rd November 2022.](#)

9. Finance and Policy Committee

CTC/56/2223 RESOLVED to receive the [minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on 26th January 2023.](#)

10. Planning Committee

CTC/57/2223 RESOLVED to receive the [minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 19th January, 23rd February and 16th March 2023.](#)

11. Town Hall, Assets and Services Committee

CTC/58/2223 RESOLVED to receive the minutes of the [Town Hall, Assets and Services Committee meetings held on 20th October 2022 & 12th January 2023.](#)

12. Review of the Business Risk Assessment for 2023-2024

CTC/59/2223 RESOLVED to approve the Business Risk Assessment for 2023-2024 and to adopt it into the Constitution subject to the following amendments to -

Section 4 ICT and Cyber Security

- Increase Likelihood to 3 and change the Risk Rating to High
- Review / Action required to include staff and councillors to have awareness training and included as part of the first Finance and Policy meeting of the 2023/24 Council

13. Pension Discretion Policy

CTC/60/2223 RESOLVED to approve the Employers Pension Discretions Policy and to adopt it into the Constitution.

**Margaret Gartside
(Town Mayor)**