Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting held at Congleton Town Hall on 25th January 2024

For the papers discussed at the meeting, please see the Meeting Agenda of the Council 25th January 2024

Councillors Present: Rob Moreton (Mayor)

Charles Booth
David Brown
Robert Brittain
Russell Chadwick
Robert Douglas
Mark Edwardson

Suzy Firkin Emma Hall

Arabella Holland Sally Ann Holland Amanda Martin Heather Pearce Shaun Radcliffe Heather Seddon

Kay Wesley (Deputy Mayor)

Glen Williams

Congleton Town Council Officers: David McGifford (Chief Officer), Jackie MacArthur and Serena Van Schepdael

• 1 Press and 3 members of the public in attendance

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Susan Mead, Suzie Akers Smith Liz Wardlaw and Richard Walton

2. Minutes of Previous Meetings

CTC/74/2324 Resolved after one amendment to item 17 (order of contact) to approve and sign the minutes of the Council meeting held on the 7th December 2023

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3. <u>Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests</u>

Cllrs David Brown, Emma Hall, Sally Ann Holland, Rob Moreton (Mayor), Russell Chadwick, Heather Seddon declared non-pecuniary interests on 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

An update was provided on the Cheshire East Council meeting on Car Parking Charges which was held on 25th January 2024. Officers were requested to contact Cheshire East as a matter of urgency as West Street Car Park was not included in the list of car parks used as a school drop-off. It was believed to be an oversight.

6. 2023-2024 Budget Update

CTC/75/2324 Resolved to

- 1- Approve the overspends as listed.
- 2- Approve the movement of £11,746 from EMR 355 (Property Maintenance) to cover costs posted to the budgets in Town Hall Property Maintenance.

7. Budget and Precept 2024-2025

CTC/76/2324 Resolved to

- 1. Approve the EMR movement from Property Maintenance EMR to Town Hal Budgets of £11,746 for 2023-2024.
- 2. Approve the Budget for 2024-2025.
- 3. Approve the Precept requirement of £1,182,221 for 2024-2025, which equates to a rise of £9.12 per year/9.46% per Band D Household.
- 4. Approve the movement and spends between EMR and budgets for 2024-2025.

Cllr Robert Moreton

Town Mayor