



ANDOVER TOWN COUNCIL

Extraordinary Minutes Council

Time and date

6.00pm on Wednesday 6 April 2021

Place

Virtual On-Line Meeting via "Zoom"

Cllr R Rowles - Town Mayor (P)

Cllr L Banville - Deputy Town Mayor (A)

Cllr N Asamoah (A)

Cllr D Coole (P)

Cllr J Coole (A)

Cllr C Ecclestone (P)

Cllr L Gregori (P)

Cllr R Hughes (P)

Cllr B Long (P)

Cllr R Meyer (A)

Cllr J Sangster (P)

Cllr D Treadwell (A)

Officers Present:

Wendy Coulter (Town Clerk)

Caroline Godfrey (Locum Clerk)

Tracy Predeth (Locum Clerk)

Michelle Young (Committee Officer) (Taking the notes)

County/Borough Councillors:

Cllr I Anderson

Cllr N Matthews

Members of the Public: 1

Members of the Press: 1

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and Government legislation regarding Social Distancing, it was not possible to hold this meeting at a normal public venue. Therefore, the Town Council made arrangements under the Coronavirus Act 2020, and subsequent Regulations permitting remote meetings, to hold the meeting virtually. A voting procedure was actioned via role call method with each Member's name and response recorded in the Minutes.

C 375/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors J Coole, N Asamoah and D Treadwell.

C 376/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest in relation to any item on the agenda.

C 377/19 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Town Mayor's Announcements presented.

C 378/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments received or questions asked from Members of the Public present at the meeting.

C 379/19 FINANCE

Members noted the List of Payments up to 25 March 2021.

A member queried a number of small payments to British Gas. It was clarified that these related to 3 gas metres and 1 electric metre within the Town Council offices.

C 380/19 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor R Rowles and seconded by Councillor R Hughes that the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting at Item 7, Internal Auditor – Design Statement, as per Council Resolution of 16 September 2020 and Agenda Item 8 due to consideration of a Judicial Review which contained confidential information.

A recorded vote was as follows:

COUNCILLOR	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTENTION
R Rowles	X		
D Coole	X		
C Ecclestone		X	
L Gregori	X		
R Hughes	X		
B Long	X		
J Sangster	X		
TOTAL	6	1	0

RESOLVED: That the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting at Item 7, Internal Auditor – Design Statement, as per Council Resolution of 16 September 2020 and Agenda Item 8 due to consideration of a Judicial Review which contained confidential information.

C 381/19 INTERNAL AUDIT – DESIGN STATEMENT REPORT

Members considered a report from the Internal Auditor regarding the Design Statement.

C 382/19 JUDICIAL REVIEW

Members received an update regarding the potential Judicial Review and considered the next steps.

(The Proper Officer and Committee Officer left the meeting at 6.38pm, due to the confidential nature of the Judicial Review)

The Town Mayor closed the meeting at 7.49pm.

Town Mayor

Date