

**Clerk to the Council/RFO: J Hodgkiss**  
**Chairman: Cllr C Clode**

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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:15pm on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023** in Lythwood Room, Bayston Hill Memorial Hall.

Present: C Clode (CC) (Chair), C Lewis (CL), R Ruscoe (RR), P Stevens (PS), M Underwood (MU)

In attendance: Julie Hodgkiss – Clerk (JH)

**FC57.23/24 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Fairclough and Osenton – work commitments. Cllr Teckoe – ill health, Cllr Whittall – holiday, Cllr Clarke – no reason given.

**FC58.23/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**FC59.23/24 PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS**

None

**FC60.23/24 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED: MU proposed to approve the minutes of the Full Council held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023, seconded by RR and agreed by all members present.**

**FC61.23/24 CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair presented her pre-circulated report.

**FC62.23/24 SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr Clarke was absent; the report was noted.

**FC63.23/24 CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk presented her pre-circulated report. The Chair asked that the councils' thanks were minuted to Mr Henry Merricks who had resigned due to work commitments. Also, thanks to Peter, Rachael and volunteers who made the Apple Pressing and Wreath making event a success.

**FC64.23/24 PAYMENTS**

**RESOLVED: MU proposed to approve all payments, as per the attached schedule, including September 2023 salary payments, seconded by CL and agreed by all members present.**

**FC65.23/24 STREETLIGHT SURVEY**  
Members considered quotes and additional information from 2 companies that had responded to our request. **RESOLVED: MU proposed that the quote from Rei Lux UK Ltd for £8035.80 (inc VAT) be accepted for a full and thorough survey on the condition of street lights owned by BHPC, seconded by CL and agreed by all members present.**

**FC66.23/24 POLICIES UPDATE**  
**RESOLVED: MU proposed to adopt all of the policies presented, seconded by RR and agreed by all members present.**

**FC67.23/24 INCOME GROUP**  
Membership of the group – CC, CL, RR, TO, CT, CS. Members considered that the group should maximise on the opportunities we can exploit with the facilities we have now in the first instance.

**FC68.23/24 EXTERNAL AUDITOR REPORT AND CERTIFICATE 2022/2023**  
Noted

**FC69.23/24 FINANCIAL POSITION BY COST CENTRE & CODE SUMMARY**  
Noted

**FC70.23/24 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**  
**RESOLVED: MU proposed to exclude the public, seconded by PS and agreed by all members present.**

**FC71.23/24 QUOTES FOR LONGMEADOW**  
**RESOLVED: MU proposed that the quotes were too high for the works and the clerk to gather more quotations, seconded by CC and agreed by all members present.**

**Meeting closed at 8.40pm**