

## **CREWKERNE TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of an informal meeting of CREWKERNE TOWN COUNCIL held remotely on Monday 9 August 2021 at 7.52 p.m.

### **PRESENT**

Cllrs. K. Head (Chairman), C. Aslett, M. Best, T. Bond, R. Cottle, R. Pailthorpe, A. Samuel, A. Stuart and D. Wakeman.

In Attendance

The Clerk P. Davidson, Deputy Clerk L. Gowers and K. Sheehan (Town Clerk designate)

### **78 TO NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

21/22

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Roberts (work commitments) and Roundell Greene (personal).

### **79 OPEN FORUM**

21/22

No matters raised.

### **80 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

21/22

on items on the agenda

None.

### **81 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH-ON**

21/22

To consider the proposal from the Crewkerne Christmas Committee to bring the Christmas lights switch-on forward by one week to allow an extra week's Christmas trade for the businesses in the town

After discussion, it was AGREED to approve the proposal from the Crewkerne Christmas Committee to bring forward the Christmas lights switch-on by one week to allow an extra week's Christmas trade for local businesses, but with the caveat that this would be a one-off approval.

### **82 TO AGREE THE DRAFT NEWSLETTER**

21/22

It was AGREED to approve the draft newsletter, noting that the Crewkerne in Bloom group were still to provide words for an article.

### **83 TO AGREE THE AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS**

21/22

After discussion, it was agreed to approve the draft agenda for the Annual Meeting of Electors.

### **84 FOOTFALL COUNTERS**

21/22

To receive a report from the Deputy Clerk on the results from the footfall counters

The report was noted. Cllr. Cottle was requested to share the footfall data with the local business community. Cllr. Best suggested that it would be useful to compare Crewkerne's footfall data with that from other towns in South Somerset.

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**Dated:** .....

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**It was AGREED that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it was advisable that the public and press be excluded and were instructed to withdraw.**

**CONFIDENTIAL SESSION – CONTRACTUAL MATTERS**

**85 GRC ANNUAL CHARGES**

**21/22 To agree annual charges for long-term users of the GRC**

It was noted that charges needed to be set for the rugby and football clubs as a matter of urgency, as the playing season for these clubs was due to commence shortly. It was also noted that meetings were planned with the two clubs, to clarify usage of the GRC.

After discussion, it was AGREED to delegate authority to the Clerk, Mayor and the Finance Officer for the setting of annual charges for the rugby and football clubs, based upon anticipated usage and available information on running costs.

The meeting closed at 8.22 p.m.

**Signed: .....**

**Dated: .....**

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