

CREWKERNE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a CREWKERNE TOWN COUNCIL meeting held remotely on Monday 12 October 2020 at 7.16 p.m.

PRESENT

Cllrs. K. Head (Chairman), C. Aslett, M. Best, R. Pailthorpe, J. Roundell Greene, A. Stuart and D. Wakeman.

In Attendance

Town Clerk P. Davidson, Deputy Clerk L. Gowers, Finance Officer P. Hewitt and 13 members of the public (via YouTube).

107 TO NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

20/21

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Cottle (personal), Hodgson (personal) and Roberts (work commitments).

108 OPEN FORUM

20/21

No points raised.

109 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

20/21

on items on the agenda

None.

110 FINANCE

20/21

- a) Second quarter financial report: to receive the second quarter income and expenditure financial report

The report was noted.

- b) Earmarked Reserves: to receive a report on the current status of Earmarked Reserves and forecast year-end balance

The report was noted.

- c) Draft Budget: to consider the first draft of the budget for 2021/22

The first draft of the budget for 2021/22 was reviewed and feedback given to the Clerk and Finance Officer, for incorporation into the second draft.

111 LACK OF ATTENDANCE OF CLLR. ALAN SMITH

20/21

To note the confirmation from the South Somerset District Council Monitoring Officer that Cllr. Smith, having failed to attend a Town Council meeting for 6 consecutive months and having received no dispensation from the Council, ceases to be a member of the Council

Noted.

112 **PURCHASE OF CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

20/21 To consider the purchase of a section of Christmas lights, as part of the ongoing renewal of the Christmas lights on Market Street

It was **AGREED to approve the purchase of a section of Christmas lights from Festive Lighting, at the quoted cost of £1,523.60 (+ VAT).**

113 **OUTSIDE BODY APPOINTMENT**

20/21 To confirm the appointment of Cllr. Cottle as the outside body representative to the emerging Business Chamber

It was **AGREED to confirm the appointment of Cllr. Cottle as the outside body representative to the emerging Business Chamber.**

114 **COMMUNITY FRIDGE**

20/21 To consider the request for a volunteer run, community fridge to be located in the Town Hall front office

After discussion, it was **AGREED to support the request for a volunteer-run community fridge to be located in the Town Hall front office.**

Councillors discussed a possible location for the fridge and associated cupboard. It was agreed that it would be best to await the arrival of the fridge and then hold a site meeting to agree the optimum location for both fridge and cupboard.

Signed:

Dated:

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 – REVIEW OF GRANT APPLICATIONS

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20/21

COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION AWARDS

To review the draft recommendations for the award of grants

Councillors reviewed the grant applications that had been received. It was noted that the number of applications received to date was far less than normal. In view of this, it was agreed to defer consideration of grant applications until later in the financial year.

The meeting closed at 7.35 p.m.

Signed:

Dated: