

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of Wem Town Council held on Tuesday 17th January 2023 at 3 p.m. in the Roden Suite, Edinburgh House, New Street, Wem

Present:- Councillors, G Soul (Mayor) R Dodd (Deputy Mayor), P Broomhall, R Drummond, P Glover, C Granger, D Hill, M Hoffmann, M Meakin, D Parry, E Towers.

Mrs P O'Hagan (Town Clerk)

381/23 To note apologies for absence received.

Resolved:- to accept the following apologies for absence Cllrs Crawshaw, Edge and Johnson.

382/23 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests.

a) To receive any disclosure of pecuniary interest - Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

Councillor	Item	Dispensation
Cllr Towers and Broomhall	Twin-hatted members declared a personal interest in any matters relating to the Town Council's relationship with Shropshire Council	Dispensations to allow participation and voting on all matters relating to Shropshire Council

b) To consider any applications for Dispensations under s33 of the Localism Act 2011.

None received

383/23 Council Office and meeting room – to discuss options and budget for relocation of Town Council offices.

A discussion took place and the Town Clerk presented her report outlining some of the options currently available to the Council along with possible costs.

Resolved:- that

- **The Clerk is instructed to arrange a visit for councillors and staff to view the space at Talbot House to assess its suitability.**
- **The Clerk will arrange a meeting with the head of Library Services and the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.**
- **The Clerk will prepare a report outlining rental costs for the next meeting.**
- **The matter will be considered at the 26th January meeting of the Town Council.**

384/23 Exclusion of Public and Press

To resolve that as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

Resolved:- to exclude the press and public (none present)

a) Morgan Library – To discuss correspondence received from Shropshire Council
A discussion took place on this item

Resolved:- to contact Shropshire Council outlining the Town Council's concerns about the proposed Heads of Terms and report back to the next meeting.

Meeting ended at 15.55

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