

WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL

24th October 2022

PRESENT: The Town Mayor (Cllr Miss D J McGeown), Councillors D Wilkinson, A Price, G Wroe, L Maher, N Maher, A Morgan, M Cox, D Bullock, C Kirkman, B Eckersley-Fallon, R Brennan, m Tighe, and J Speight (arrived 19.15)

Plus 4 members of the public.

TC187/2022 FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION

The Town Mayor explained the Fire Safety Procedure.

Cllr D Wilkinson informed council of email from Locum Clerk tat due to ill health she had finished her contract with SSLC and would not continue as Locum.

TC188/2022 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO ACCEPT REASONS

Resolved that the following apologies for absence and reasons be accepted by the Town Council :

Cllrs A Younge, (unwell), and A Jackson (family emergency)

TC189/2022 TO READ THE NOTICE CONVENING THE MEETING

The Town Mayor read the notice convening the meeting.

TC190/2022 TO RECORD DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEM TO BE

Cllr D Wilkinson as a member of Bolton Planning Committee.

TC191/2022 ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW PUBLIC QUESTION TIME RELATING TO TOWN COUNCIL ACTIVITIES AND ITEMS WITHIN ITS POWERS

No issues raised.

TC192/2022 TO DISCUSS PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT MATTERS AND TO APPROVE ANY ACTION

(a) TOWN COUNCIL COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS The Town Council requested that its comments on the following Planning Applications are placed before the Bolton

Council Planning Committee:

Application No.: 14760/22 – This application be deferred to Bolton Council with concerns raised about the size of the extension.

Application No.: 14769/22 – no objections raised.

Application No.: 14775/22 – no objections raised.

Application No.: 14262/22 – no objections raised.

(b) DISCUSSION ON PLANNING APPEALS

None

(c) TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS

Resolved that the Planning Decisions, as circulated, be received and noted.

TC193/2022 To note the minutes of the PFGP Committee meeting held on 11th July 2022, TC meeting 22nd August 2022, TC 26th September and FGP meeting 10th October 2022.

The attendance list of the TC Meeting on the 26th September 2022 be amended as it shoes Cllr Brennan as attending when he gave apologies.

Note that the FGP meeting on the 12 September 2022 was cancelled due to the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

TC194/2022 DISCUSSION ON THE CURRENT TOWN CLERK RECRUITMENT AND DEPUTY TOWN CLERK RECRUITMENT AND TO APPROVE ANY ACTION

Defer to a future meeting..

TC195/2022 Discussion on any plans for creating warm space to assist residents with the cost of living crisis. Due to no information from the previous Locum this ident was deferred.

TC196/2022 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK

None due to no information from the previous Locum.

TC197/2022 DATE OF NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

7 November 2022 PFGP Council meeting.

The meeting closed at 19.20