



MINUTES OF PADIHAM TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 5th June 2023 at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers

Present:

Town Councillors: Councillor P. Haigh (in the Chair), Councillors, D. Alexander, M. Duckworth, J. Harbour, M. Harrison, P. McCann, V. Pridden, C. Smith, A. Tatchell, C. Turner, P. Turner and M. Whittaker.

Others: Steve Watson (Town Clerk).

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

TC/23/24/017 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillor A. Lewis who had another meeting.

RESOLVED: That the apologies for absence and reasons given are approved.

TC/23/24/018 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

There were no declarations of interest.

TC/23/24/019 Formally Adjourn the meeting to allow for Public Participation.

RESOLVED: That the meeting is formally adjourned to allow for participation from the Public.

Police Report

There was no Police Report.

Town Centre Manager Report

There was no report. The Council enquired if a written report can be provided when not attending meetings.

There were no Public Questions

There were no public questions.

County Councillors Report

There was no report.

Borough Councillor Report

There was no report.

Padiham Organisations Reports

There were no reports.

TC/23/24/020 **Formally reconvene the Town Council meeting.**

RESOLVED: **That the meeting is formally reconvened.**

TC/23/24/021 **Minutes of Town Council Meeting held on the 3rd April and 11th May 2023.**

The minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 3rd April and the Extra Ordinary meeting on the 11th May 2023 were considered. The Police letter is to be sent again requesting reports. Motorbike nuisance seems to have quietened down. The 11th May minutes need a date correction. Town Council meeting dates are to be put on the website calendar and more press releases are needed for events.

RESOLVED: **That the Minutes of the Town Council meetings held on the 3rd April 2023 are approved as a correct record and the Minutes of the 11th May, as amended are approved as a correct record.**

TC/23/24/022 **Town Clerk's Report including Administration and Correspondence.**

The Clerk reported that there was no correspondence and all matters were up to date. The Clerk brought a report with regards to changes to Office opening hours.

RESOLVED: **That the Clerk's report is approved and Jennifer Sutcliffe is employed as Assistant Clerk for 6 hours a week.**

TC/23/24/023 **Report back from Working Groups**

Events Working Group.

The new hob and dishwasher have been installed. The Piano has been delivered and a plaque of dedication and a security brace are to be ordered. An official unveiling is to be arranged with photos and a press release. Piano suppliers are to be approached for a security brace.

The organisers and volunteers for Painting Padiham were thanked for an excellent event. Padiham on Parade is sorted and ready to go ahead.

Planning Working Group

Councillor John Harbour declared an interest and left the meeting.

OUT/2023/0294 – outline application for erection of up to 40 dwellings including details of access from Grove Lane (all other matters reserved for future approval). Land to the South of Grove Lane, Padiham, Lancashire.

The application is for the old Baxi site for 40 dwellings and creation of a crossroad in the 20mph speed limit. It was agreed that the following observations would be forwarded to planning regarding the Grove Lane development application.

1) What percentage of affordable housing?

- 2) Site entry included in 20 mph zone.
- 3) Enhanced landscaping and tree planting.
- 4) Upgrading of necessary local amenities (traffic management, school availability, wildlife survey etc).

The Environment Agency are relocating the green iron bridge.

Strategic Planning Working Group

Suggested dates to meet are to be circulated. The 9 new parking restrictions are to be recirculated and comments to be sent to the Clerk within 7 days. The restrictions are for safety reasons.

TC/23/24/024 Items for discussion as listed.

A meeting has been held with Burnley Borough about the Ballroom Toilets. A disability Access grant could be available for the disabled toilets that the borough will apply for. A youth investment fund bid could be put in for the Ladies and Gents.

RESOLVED: That the Council allocates £6,000 from the Business Support Grant as matched funding and £4,000 for contingencies.

A National Lottery Bid is to be submitted for the Council Chamber Sound System.

Bus timetables are to be put on the next agenda as Burnley has the poorest station for information. Routs 64 and 65 have changed providers.

Clarification on the grant and buying a painting from the Painting Padiham event was raised. It was asked what the £1,000 donation is for. The Minute is to be circulated and an item put on the next agenda.

Equipment loan is to be on the next agenda.

TC/23/24/025 Finances

The Budget Monitoring Report and Bank Reconciliation was circulated.

RESOLVED: That the Budget Monitoring Report and Bank Reconciliation are approved.

A Payment list, a Receipts List and a Petty Cash Report of were circulated.

RESOLVED: That the Payments, Receipts and Petty Cash are approved.

The Mayor Making Budget is to be checked.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Governance Statement and Annual Return are approved.

TC/23/24/026 Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next Town Council meeting is at 7pm on Monday 3rd July 2024 in the Council Chambers, Padiham Town Hall.