

## Minutes, Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council 27 February 2023 at the Civic Hall.

**Present:** Cllrs P. Byrne . K. Dawson  
L. Dawson H. Bishop  
B. Beeley J. Battye  
R. Knotts G. Sheldon  
M. Woodvine B. Lord  
P. Lord S. Al-Hamdani  
M. Bingley L. Lancaster  
K. Phillips D. Simpson

- 3385. To receive Public Questions** None received
- 3386. To receive apologies for Absence** Cllrs M. Scholes, J. Hudson, J Curley.
- 3387. To receive Declarations of Interest** None declared
- 3388. To approve and confirm as a correct record the Draft Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023**  
The minutes were proposed, seconded and approved.
- 3389. To note the Minutes of the Strategic Planning Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023**  
The minutes were proposed, seconded and approved.
- 3390. To note the minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023**  
The minutes were proposed, seconded and approved.
- 3391. To note the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023**  
The minutes were proposed, seconded and approved.
- 3392. Chairman's Allowance – request from Finance Committee To set up a Task & Finish Group to discuss**  
The Chair of the Finance Committee explained that it had been agreed at the last Finance meeting to keep the allowance the same at £1,750 and the Finance Committee were proposing a Task & Finish Group be set up to agree the amount going forward, what accounting records were needed and who can access it, the Chairman and the Vice Chairman? Cllr Byrne advised her expenditure was already standing at £2,500, well over the Allowance of £1,750. Cllr Knott also advised this was the same when he was Chairman. There was some discussion around this.  
Cllr Bishop said it is public money and we have to be transparent and accountable. It was agreed that the Clerk would search for the minutes from a previous Task and Finish Group meeting in 2021 where this was originally discussed and share it with the Finance Committee. A decision would then be made whether it was added to the next Council agenda.

**3393. Accounts for Payment January 2023    Income £7666.50 Expenditure  
£23,306.83**

Cllr Al-Hamdani queried why the Precept/Income grant had been noted on the income sheet this month The Clerk advised that at the last meeting it was queried why the amount of expenditure was so much more than the income and were we running at a loss. So it was agreed to include the monthly precept amount into these figures for councillors to make comparisons. Cllrs were happy with that explanation and agreed for it to continue. With this explanation the accounts for payment were approve.

Cllr Beeley handed out a note to Councillors to read of the meeting she attended as a representative of SPC regarding the Health Provision in Saddleworth.

**3394. Date of the next meeting– Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023 @ 7.30pm**