# PARISH OF GODALMING

## MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

## OF THE PARISH OF GODALMING HELD IN THE GODALMING CHAMBER

## ON THURSDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2017

- \* The Town Mayor (Councillor D Hunter)
- \* The Deputy Town Mayor (Councillor Thornton)
- Councillor P Martin \* Councillor RA Gordon-Smith
- - Councillor Pinches \* Councillor Bolton
    Councillor Gray \* Councillor Walden
    Councillor Young \* Councillor Purkiss
- Councillor Furkiss

In the absence of a staff Clerk for the meeting, Councillor Walden recorded the minutes for this meeting.

## 556. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 19 January 2017 were signed by the Mayor as a correct record.

### 557. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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Apologies for absence were received and recorded as above.

#### 558. PETITIONS/STATEMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No petitions/statements/questions had been received from members of the public in accordance with Standing Order No 4.

## 559. <u>DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS</u>

Members made no declarations of interest in relation to any item on the agenda for this meeting, which is required to be disclosed by the Localism Act 2011 and the Godalming Members' Code of Conduct.

## 560. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Full Council is scheduled to be held on Thursday, 30 March 2017 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber.

<sup>\*</sup> Present # Absent without apology 0 Apology for Absence L Late

#### 561. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

THE COMMITTEE RESOLVED TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS FROM THE MEETING AT THIS POINT PRIOR TO CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM BY REASON OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED IE. STAFFING MATTERS.

#### 562. STAFFING MATTERS

Members considered a confidential oral report from the Chairman of the Staffing Sub Committee.

Members also considered a confidential report tabled by Maria Aguillar, Director of HR Services Partnership.

The Council, having considered

- 1. The oral report from the Chairman of the Staffing Sub Committee
- 2. The confidential report tabled by Maria Aguillar, HR Services Partnership

#### Resolved:

- i. That it would be in the best interests of the Council to progress option 3 presented in the confidential report tabled and that HR Services be appointed to provide HR Support to the Council to implement this process. The budget required for this activity to be funded from the professional services budget. The Town Clerk will be asked not to attend the office or conduct any matter on behalf of Godalming Town Council during this process.
- ii. That in the event that the Town Clerks states her unwillingness to engage with option 3 that option 5 is implemented.
- iii. That the Chairman of the Policy & Management Committee be authorised in consultation with the Chairman of the Staffing Sub Committee, following discussion with staff, to appoint Deputy Town Clerk as Acting Town Clerk and any other temporary staffing arrangements to ensure the continued orderly and legal conduct of the Council's affairs pending permanent arrangements being agreed and put in place.