



Minutes of the Virtual Town Council meeting held on Tuesday 2nd June 2020 via Zoom.

2390 Members on line – Cllr Turner (Chairman), Cllr Beswarick, Cllr Cheeseman, Cllr Corbett, Cllr Dawkins, Cllr Drinnan, Cllr Langridge, Cllr Monks and Cllr Mrs Page; also the Town Clerk.

2391 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS

No declarations of interest were received.

2392 INCOME & EXPENDITURE

Members were circulated with a copy of the Income and Expenditure from 1st May 2020 to 31st May 2020.

The Town Clerk advised of a problem with regard to the payment for the May salaries due to the payroll provider not accepting cheque payments during the Covid-19 pandemic. Having discussed the options with the internal auditor and the Chairman, due to short time scale it had been **AGREED** to raise a cheque payable to the Town Clerk in order to pass the funds to the payroll provider via bank payment. However, a problem with the on line banking facility negated this option, following discussions with HSBC the Town Clerk made an online payment direct from the Town Council account in the sum of £6,879.99 and subsequently returned the funds paid to her.

Members **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** payments in the sum of £26,847.93 and **NOTED** income of £110,959.63, a copy of which is attached.

Salaries – the Town Clerk sought delegated authority to continue to make salary payments via bank transfer from the Town Council account direct to the payroll provider during the current situation. **RESOLVED** authority be given.

The Town Clerk was asked to enquire of the building surveyor as to whether it might be possible to undertake the internal works in the Public Hall during this period of closure.

Having previously been circulated with a report from the weed control company regarding ECO options for weed control in the Memorial Playing Field the Town Clerk was asked to postpone the annual spraying.

2393 FUTURE MEETINGS

As the virtual meetings that evening had been successful the Town Clerk put forward the suggestion the Council host a virtual Annual Council meeting in order to elect chairman, vice chairman and select committees for the remainder of the Council year to enable business to continue in view of the partial easing of lockdown. **AGREED**, to take place on Tuesday 23rd June 2020 at 7.00pm.

2394 MEETING

The meeting which commenced at 8.00pm, closed at 8.30pm.