



## CHARD TOWN COUNCIL

The Guildhall, Fore Street, Chard, Somerset TA20 1PP

01460 239567 [www.chard.gov.uk](http://www.chard.gov.uk)

**Mayor: Cllr Jenny Kenton**

**Acting Proper Officer: Adrian Turner**

## CHARD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Chard Town Council meeting held in the Town Hall, Fore Street, Chard TA20 1PP on Wednesday 29th March 2023 commencing at 19:00pm.

---

**PRESENT:** Cllr Baker, Cllr Bates, Cllr Brown, (Deputy Mayor), Cllr Bulmer, Cllr Crook, Cllr Eggins, Cllr Grief-Page, Cllr Richter, Cllr Shortland, Cllr Williams.

**OFFICERS** Beverley Newman: Democratic Services Officer (DSO), Adrian Turner Proper Officer and Operations Manager

### Public Participation Time.

There were in the region of 60 members of the public present.

10 members of the public spoke 9 of which on the subjects of councillor conduct and the Independent Report.

1 member of the public asked if councillors had any knowledge of the intended future use of the recently closed Springmead GP Surgery.

The chair stated that questions not answered on the night would be provided in writing.

Full details of the public participation time are available on the audio recording of this Full Council meeting

### 2023/40 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The following apologies were received:

Cllr Hassan, Cllr Hawkes, Cllr A Kenton, Cllr J Kenton & Cllr Watson

Proposed Cllr Bates

Seconded Cllr Brown

**RESOLVED:** To accept apologies provided.

Unanimous

### 2023/41 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest made:

- Cllr Bulmer & Cllr Eggins agenda item **2023/46 (a)** Personal

### 2023/42 TO RESOLVE TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That as certain items were expected to include the consideration of exempt information Full Council **RESOLVED** that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during the discussion of the matters referred to in the items listed under Confidential Matters below, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in the respective paragraph of

**Part 1 of Schedule 12A** of the Act, and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Proposed: Cllr Bates   Seconded: Cllr Eggins  
Unanimous

**2023/43   COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Proposed: Cllr Bulmer  
For: 8

Seconded: Cllr Grief-Page  
Abstain: 2 (not present at the meeting)

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Full Town Council meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

**2023/44   COMMITTEE MATTERS**

**(a)            Independent report**

Proposed: Cllr Bates   Seconded: Cllr Shortland  
Unanimous

**RESOLVED** that the Independent Report produced by Chris Rolley and recommendations contained within, be formally adopted.

**2023/45       DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS**

The next Full Council meeting Tuesday will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023 being the Annual Town Council Meeting being held at the Guildhall Auditorium, Fore Street, Chard TA20 1PP commencing at 19.00 pm.

---

**2023/46   CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**

**In view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is likely that the press and public will be excluded during consideration of this 2023/42**

**(a)            Councilors' received a verbal report from the Programme Manager Heritage at Risk**

There being no other business the Deputy Mayor thanked all those present for attending and closed the meeting at 19.50

---

**MAYOR:**

---

**DATE:**