

**Clerk to the Council/RFO: J Hodgkiss**  
**Chairman: Cllr R Ruscoe**

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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:15pm on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024** in The Memorial Hall.

Present: C Clode (CC), T Clarke (TC), M Jones (MJ), T Markham (TM), R Ruscoe (RR) – Chair, A Price (AP), P Stevens (PS), C Shaw (CS) M Underwood (MU), J Whittall (JW)

In attendance: Julie Hodgkiss – Clerk (JH), 2 MOP.

**FC75.24/25 CO-OPTION OF CANDIDATES FOR COUNCIL**

**RESOLVED:** JW proposed the co-option of Mr D Engler, this was seconded by CC and agreed by all members present. Cllr Engler signed the Acceptance of Office which was duly countersigned by the Clerk.

**RESOLVED:** MU proposed the co-option of Mr A Parkhurst, this was seconded by JW and agreed by all members present. Cllr Parkhurst signed the Acceptance of Office which was duly countersigned by the Clerk.

**FC76.24/25 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Teckoe and Fairclough – work commitments and Cllr Osenton – ill health.

**FC77.24/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**FC78.24/25 PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS**

None

**FC79.24/25 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** MU proposed to approve the minutes of the Full Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024, seconded by JW and agreed by all members present.

**RESOLVED:** TM proposed to approve the minutes of the Full Council held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024, seconded by AP and agreed by all members present.

**FC80.24/25 CHAIR’S REPORT**

Cllr Ruscoe summarised the meeting on November 4<sup>th</sup> with Barrett Redrow and highlighted all of the follow up activities since – namely a

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press release, letters requesting support from our MP and Shropshire Councillor in addition to a lengthy document sent to Shropshire Council Flood team. Glebelands – the Chairman expressed his disappointment at the Diocese decision to fence the site to prevent access. BHPC will meet with the land agent on November 20<sup>th</sup> and will also work alongside the “Friends of the Glebelands” to prevent this site development going ahead.

- FC81.24/25 SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR’S REPORT**  
Cllr Clarke highlighted the continued difficulties with the finances at SC.
- FC82.24/25 CLERKS REPORT**  
The Clerk presented her pre-circulated report and highlighted the successful Act of Remembrance that morning.
- FC83.24/25 PAYMENTS**  
**RESOLVED:** MU proposed to approve all payments, as per the attached schedule, including October 2024 salary payments, seconded by AP<sub>r</sub> and agreed by all members present.
- FC84.24/25 RE-APPOINT AUDITOR**  
**RESOLVED:** MU proposed to re-appoint JDH Auditors for 2025/26, seconded by CC and agreed by all members present.
- FC85.24/25 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**  
**RESOLVED:** MU proposed to approve initial investigations into adopting a Neighbourhood Plan, seconded by AP<sub>a</sub> and agreed by all members present.
- FC86.24/25 GRANT APPLICATION**  
Item deferred for more information.
- FC87.24/25 STAFF TRAINING**  
**RESOLVED:** CC proposed to approve all staff to attend relevant training courses as soon as possible with current activities restricted until confirmation of adequate training, seconded by AP<sub>a</sub> and agreed by all members present.
- FC88.24/25 EMERGENCY CHAIR AND BLEED KITS**  
After discussions this item was not supported with a proposal from members.
- FC89.24/25 ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP**  
**RESOLVED:** AP<sub>a</sub> proposed to approve request from a resident to join the group, seconded by CC and agreed by all members present.
- FC90.24/25 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**  
To pass resolution to exclude the public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, so as to discuss the following confidential matters.

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**FC91.24/25**    **STAFF PAY AWARDS**  
Noted.

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