

Clerk to the Council/RFO: J Hodgkiss

Chairman: Cllr R Ruscoe

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:15pm on **Monday 16th February 2026 at Christ Church.**

Present: Cllrs – T Clarke, D Engler (DE), T Osenton (TO), A Parkhurst (APa), A Price (APr), R Ruscoe (RR) – Chair, C Teckoe (CT), K Turner – (KT), N Turner (NT), M Underwood (MU)

In attendance: T Trickett – Shropshire Councillor
J Hodgkiss – Clerk

FC123.25/26 CO-OPTION OF CANDIDATES FOR COUNCIL

2 candidates had submitted applications for co-option and were given the opportunity to add anything verbally in addition. Both applicants were proposed and seconded.

RESOLVED: KT proposed a paper ballot process, this was seconded by APa and agreed by all members present. The Chairman added that Cllr Trickett would act as a second teller to the Clerk.

The ballot was taken.

RESOLVED: APr proposed to nominate Allan Caswell for co-option, this was seconded by MU. This motion carried by a majority vote.

Cllr Caswell joined the meeting.

Cllr Osenton arrived at 7.25pm

FC124.25/26 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Shaw – family commitment, Cllr Clode – holiday, Cllr Markham – work commitments.

FC125.25/26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

FC126.25/26 PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

None

FC127.25/26 MINUTES

RESOLVED: APr proposed to approve the minutes of the Full Council held on 19th January 2026 with slight amendment - seconder of item FC122, seconded by NT and agreed by all members present.

FC128.25/26 CHAIR'S REPORT

Cllr Ruscoe presented his pre-circulated report.

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- FC129.25/26 SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**
Cllr Trickett presented her pre-circulated report, a number of questions were raised from members, Cllr Trickett will filter any updates via the Clerk.
- FC130.25/26 CLERKS REPORT**
The Clerk gave her report.
- FC131.25/26 PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS**
RESOLVED: MU proposed to approve all payments and receipts, as per the attached schedule, including January 2026 salary payments, seconded by NT and agreed by all members present.
- FC132.25/26 GRANT APPLICATION**
RESOLVED: APa proposed to approve a grant application for Oak Meadow Youth Club, seconded by APr and agreed by all members present.
- FC133.25/26 PENSIONS DISCRETIONARY POLICY**
Item deferred.
- FC134.25/26 MEETING SCHEDULE**
Members noted the updated schedule up to May 2026
- FC135.25/26 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**
None
- FC136.25/26 STAFFING MATTERS**
Members received an update from the Clerk regarding staff leaving dates and recent and upcoming recruitment.
- FC137.25/26 PITCH MAINTENANCE**
RESOLVED: APr proposed to approve the recommendation from Services Committee for the preferred contractor, at the cost of £10,584, seconded by CT and agreed by all members present.

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