

Minutes of the Resources Committee meeting held on
Tuesday 4th July 2023 at 19:55 hrs, in the **Council Chamber, Council
Offices, North Street, Ilminster, TA19 0DG**

Chair: Cllr B Jenner-Hurford

Committee: Cllr S Shepherd, Cllr P Burton, Cllr B Hamilton, Cllr M James, Cllr P Sellers and Cllr N Tinson

Officers: M Tredwin (Town Clerk), J Earp (Deputy Town Clerk and RFO)

Councillors: Cllr A Shearman, Cllr L Taylor, Cllr S Osborne

R23-001 To Elect a Chair

Nominations were invited for the office of Chair of the Resources Committee. Cllr Jenner-Hurford received a nomination from Cllr Shepherd and Seconded by Cllr Hamilton. There were no other nominations.

Members **RESOLVED** unanimously to elect Cllr Jenner-Hurford as Chair of the Resources committee.

R23-002 To Elect a Vice Chair

Nominations were invited for the office of Vice Chair of the Resources Committee. Cllr Shepherd received a nomination from Cllr Jenner-Hurford and Seconded by Cllr Sellers. There were no other nominations. Members **RESOLVED** unanimously to elect Cllr Shepherd as Vice Chair of the Resources committee.

R23-003 Public Forum

There were no members of the public.

R23-004 Apologies for Absence

Cllr V Keitch – Business reasons

The Clerk has confirmed that reasons have been provided.

R23-005 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Shepherd - Leases

R23-006 Dispensations

None requested, none granted

R23-007 Minutes

Members **RESOLVED** unanimously that the Minutes of the meeting held on **10 January 2023** as an accurate record.

Proposer Cllr Jenner-Hurford **Seconded** Cllr Hamilton

R23-008 Clerk's Update report

The Clerk updated Members on the situation with S106 funding and is currently gathering information from Somerset Council. The Persimmon S106 agreement will be revisited and it is planned that this will involve the Town Council. The Clerk has set up a meeting regarding the I1 and I2 land as the Community Asset application had been rejected because they are classed as agricultural land which can not be regarded as a

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Community Asset. Cllr Sellers asked if further advice could be obtained from either NALC or SALC.

R23-009 Financial Monitoring

The RFO reported that the full year precept was received in April. By mid May, the two new savings accounts were set up and funds transferred as agreed by Town Council.

Members **NOTED** the financial report.

R23-010 Somerset Council's Licencing Policy

Members discussed their concerns that local residents and the Town Council are not consulted when a licence application is made apart from when a licence finally comes through the Planning process to the Planning, Highways & Transport Committee for comment. The Clerk had asked Members to send their comments to him so that he could provide a response to the meeting but had not received any notifications. The deadline for comments is 13 July 2023.

R23-011 Leases

Members discussed the need for the reinstatement of the landlord/tenant meetings with the Ilminster Cricket Club Ltd (ICC) and the Ilminster Sports Club Ltd (ISCL). Possible representatives for the Town Council were discussed and agreed to be the Chair of Resources, Cllr James, Cllr Burton, the Proper Officer and as a reserve Cllr Sellers and Cllr Tinson. The Clerk will arrange the two meetings to occur in the evening due to people's work commitments during the day. It was suggested that both organisations be given a Contact Form to complete to ensure the Town Council holds the correct contact information for them going forward.

Questions were asked about the auditor's request for the insurance documents to be provided. Members were informed by the Clerk that despite requests no document had yet been received. A certificate from 2018 had been found in the council's records.

Cllr Sue Osborne arrived at 21:05

Members **RESOLVED** 6 votes for and 1 abstention (Cllr Shepherd) for Cllrs Jenner-Hurford, James, Burton and the Proper Officer to attend the meetings with ICC and ISCL

Proposer Cllr Jenner-Hurford **Seconded** Cllr Hamilton

Meeting ended 21:07