# Minutes of the Town Council remote meeting held via Skype, on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020** starting at 19:30hrs

Present:

Chair: Cllr P Burton

Councillors: Cllr S Shepherd, Cllr J Dewick, Cllr M Gunn, Cllr V Keitch, Cllr I

Mackillop, Cllr L Taylor, Cllr F White, Cllr A Shearman, and Cllr B

Hamilton

In Attendance:

Officers: Mrs J Earp (Deputy Town Clerk and RFO) and Mrs H White (Town

Clerk)

## 838 Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Cllr R Swann, Cllr V Higgins, Cllr M James and Cllr L Wilcock

### 839 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made regarding any items on the Agenda.

#### 840 Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider exclusion of the press and public from the meeting, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, section 1(2), for: Agenda item 4 Premises on East Street, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted i.e. business information and information relating to potential negotiations.

**RESOLVED** that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda item 4 Premises on East Street, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted i.e. business information, financial information and items relating to potential negotiations.

## 841 Premises on East Street

Consideration was given to the Town Council's response to further developments on premises on East Street.

The Council's finances were reviewed including the General Reserves.

Each Councillor was given the opportunity to comment on the building.

Consensus was that the building would be a good asset for the town.

A survey was proposed and the recommendation that accessibility was considered.

Proposal to make an offer of £200,000 subject to contract and survey.

The vote was requested be a named vote.

Proposer – Clir Mackillop – in favour

Seconded – Cllr White – in favour

Cllr Shearman - in favour

Cllr Shepherd – in favour

Cllr Taylor – in favour

Cllr Dewick – in favour

Cllr Gunn – in favour

Cllr Hamilton – in favour

Cllr Keitch – in favour

Cllr Burton – in favour

(in favour 10, against 0, abstain 0)

**RESOLVED** to make an offer of £200,000 subject to contract and survey.

Further proposal for the Town Clerk to be given delegated authority to deal with the negotiation of the purchase and organising the relevant surveys.

**RESOLVED** for the Town Clerk to be given delegated authority to deal with the negotiation of the purchase and organising the relevant surveys.

The meeting closed at 20:01hrs.

