**HALEWOOD TOWN COUNCIL**

At a Meeting of the Town Council held on Thursday, 16th June 2022 (7.00 pm), at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre, the following Members were:-

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS

Cllr. B. Dunn (Mayor/Chairperson)

 Cllr. B. Swann Cllr. Y. Graves

 Cllr. A. Hesford Cllr. T. Lucock

**Also in attendance:-**

G. Allen - Town Manager.

S Edwardson – Democratic Services and Administration Officer.

Members of the Public - 4

**10. APOLOGIES.**

Apologies for non-attendance were received and accepted from Cllr. C. Rose, Cllr. F. Martin, Cllr. S. Harvey and Cllr. D. Samuels.

**11. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**

None received.

**12. PUBLIC FORUM.**

The Chair invited Mrs Kathleen Harrison to address the Members of the Council.

Mrs Kathleen Harrison – Asked about the HTL buses that are being taken over by Arriva. She stated that HTL have not provided a good service. She asked that if Arriva take over, will they be able to cover the same routes as HTL? Will the service be better?

Cllr. B. Swann– Suggested to Mrs Harrison that he is having a meeting with Merseytravel, and he will ask the question on her behalf at the next meeting.

**13. MINUTES.**

It was **moved** by Cllr. B. Swann and **seconded** by Cllr. Y. Graves and all agreed,

**RESOLVED** that,

1. The minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 21st April 2022 with the removal of the ‘Record of Vote’ Minute 133, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.
2. Annual Meeting of the Town Council held on 12th May 2022 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

**14. ANNOUNCMENTS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER.**

 The Town Manager gave a written update on the following items:

1. Councillor Ken Dalton
2. Vacancy Notice
3. Mayor’s Charity Event
4. Halewood Culturefest
5. Away Day for Councillors
6. Events
7. Community Grants
8. Imminent Meetings

**RESOLVED:-** That the report be noted.

**15. UPDATE FROM COUNCIL LEADER.**

The Council Leader, Cllr. B. Swann gave a verbal report on issues appertaining to the Council.

**RESOLVED:-** that,

1. the report be noted.

**16. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT REVIEW.**

The report of the Town Manager requested Members approval of the Annual Governance Statement for 2021-2022.

It was **moved** by Cllr. Y. Graves and **seconded** by Cllr. B. Swann and all agreed,

**RESOLVED:-** that

1. the report be noted.
2. the Annual Governance Statement for 2021/2022, attached as an appendix to the report, be approved.
3. the Chairperson approves and signs the AGAR.

**17. REGISTER OF ASSETS – WRITE OFF’S.**

Members received a report from the Town Manager and considered recommendations.

It was **moved** by Cllr. B. Swann and **seconded** by Cllr. T. Lucock and all agreed,

**RESOLVED** that,

1. the report be noted, in particular the continued existence of the Register of Assets
2. the ‘write off’s’ attached as an appendix to the report, be approved to

 be written off.

**18. 2022 HAF PROJECT – SUMMER OF ACTIVITY & SPORT.**

The Town Manager presented a report that outlined the proposals and the plans underway

 To be funded via the Holiday Activities Fund (HAF) throughout 2022.

 The Town Manager outlined the ambitious plans for the project which build on a very successful

 2021 HAF Project. The project runs through the month of August 2022.

It was **moved** by Cllr. Y. Graves and **seconded** by Cllr. A. Hesford and all agreed,

**RESOLVED:-** that,

 a. the report be noted.

 b. approval is given for the proposals outlined and the project scheduled for August 2022.

 c. approval is given for the underwriting of the project ahead of the significant funding to be received from One Knowsley from the government’s ‘Holiday Activities Fund’ (HAF).

**19. STANDING ORDERS 2022.**

A report, along with its subsequent appendix, presents the finalised version of the new Standing Orders agreed for implementation by Members at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 12th May 2022.

It was **moved** by Cllr. Y. Graves and **seconded** by Cllr. T. Lucock and all agreed,

**RESOLVED:-** that,

1. the report be noted.
2. Members and Council adopt the new proposed Standing Orders for 2022, which were agreed at a previous meeting on 12th May 2022.

**20. TOWN COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES 2022.**

The Town Manager presented a report for Members consideration of, and decisions regarding the recommendations of the ‘Independent Remuneration Panel on Town/Parish Council Allowances’ for 2022.

It was **moved** by Cllr. B. Swann and **seconded** by Cllr. T. Lucock and all agreed,

**RESOLVED:-** that,

1. the report be noted.
2. Approval be given that no Parish basic allowance be payable to Halewood Town Councillors during the financial year 2022/23.
3. Approval of any reasonable ‘out of pocket’ expenses for travel and subsistence be reimbursed in respect of duties and meetings covered by the relevant regulations.

**21. REPORTS FROM CONFERENCES/REPRESENTATIVE BODIES.**

To receive any verbal reports from the Town Manager and/or Members present who have attended conferences or representative bodies on behalf of the Town Council.

Cllr. A. Hesford – Liverpool John Lennon Airport

Town Manager Gerry Allen - MALC

**22. CORRESPONDENCE.**

1. Planning Applications.

The following Planning Applications were considered.

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| Application No | Location | Comments |
| 22/00254/FUL | 45 Abberley Road, Halewood. L25 9QX | None |
| 22/00258/FUL | 6 Catkin Road, Halewood. L26 7XJ | None |
| 22/00185/FUL | 4 Ashton Close, Halewood. L25 9AB | None |
| 19/00521/NMA3 | Yew Tree Farm, Lower Road, Halewood L26 3UA | None |
| 22/00310/ADV | Jaguar Landrover Experience, Halewood  | None |
| 22/00285/FUL | 37 Turnstone Drive, Halewood. L26 7WP | None |

No Comments were received.

**RESOLVED:-** that,

 a. the Planning Applications be noted.

The meeting was temporarily adjourned from 8.00pm whilst Mrs Harrison gave details of her address and contact number.

The meeting re-commenced at 8.10pm.

***Exempt Items***

*That under section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.*

**23. ARNCLIFFE REFURBISHMENT.**

Members received a report from the Town Manager and considered recommendations of the latest plan, decisions and funding for the proposed refurbishment of the Arncliffe Centre.

Councillors discussed the content of the report and varying options available.

It was moved by Cllr. B. Swann and seconded by Cllr. Y. Graves and all agreed,

**RESOLVED:-** that,

1. the report be noted.
2. the Town Council appoint the organisation ‘Placed’ to lead the consultation process with the Halewood Community for the Arncliffe refurbishment.
3. the Town Council appoint Rob Wallace as the ‘Project manager’ for RIBA Stage 3 through to completion of the Arncliffe Refurbishment later in 2023.
4. That the council underlines the decision made at the Special Meeting held on 10th February 2022, to agree the refurbishment scheme in its entirety at a cost of then, £1.2 million. This did not take into account fixtures and fittings or the change in the cost of inflation, so therefore, when the actual payment is known at the time of application, the amount of loan required to fulfil this refurbishment may be revisited.

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Signed ....................................... Date ...............................................