**HALEWOOD TOWN COUNCIL**

At a Meeting of the Town Council held on Thursday, 17th August 2023 (7.00 pm), at the Arncliffe Sports and Community Centre, the following members were:-

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS

Cllr. I. Hamilton (Mayor/Chairperson)

Cllr. C. Rose Cllr. B. Dunn

Cllr. A. Harvey Cllr. L. Berry

Cllr. V. Berry Cllr. C. Lunt

Cllr. P. Bradley Cllr. B. Arnold

**Also in attendance:-**

S Edwardson – Democratic Services and Administration Officer.

**37. APOLOGIES.**

Apologies for non-attendance were received and accepted from Cllr. J. Harvey, Cllr. E. Finneran and Cllr. A. Flute.

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

None

***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.*

**39. EMERGENCY RESOLUTION – Objection to the proposal for the closure of the Ticket Office at Halewood Train Station.**

To agree the contents of a resolution to be sent on behalf of Halewood Town Council regarding the closure of the ticket office at Halewood Train Station.

It was **moved** by Cllr. C. Rose, **seconded** by Cllr. V. Berry and all agreed,

**RESOLVED** that,

a. the report be noted.

b. the Council agrees to forward the attached correspondence which strongly opposes the closure of the Ticket Office at Halewood Station.

Members also agreed to include the following wording to the objection:-

‘In the spirit of the successful levelling up bid by Knowsley Borough Council in which transport links form a substantial part, this proposal contradicts the funding provided.’

**40. COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (NALC).**

To receive a report from the Mayor and consider recommendations.

This report and accompanying appendix, requests Councillors provide a collective response to legal issues pertaining to decisions made by the ‘Policy & Finance Committee’ which operated between 2019 and 2023 for Halewood Town Council.

It was **moved** by Cllr. I. Hamilton, **seconded** by Cllr. V. Berry and all agreed,

**RESOLVED** that,

a. the report be noted.

b. the Council agreed a set of recommendations regarding decisions made at the Policy & Finance Meetings between 2019 and 2023. Members also agree that some items, including the approval of policies, are to be considered separately, most likely through a Special Meeting of the Council.

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

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