

21st March 2017

DURSLEY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the PROCEEDINGS at the EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL held in the Walker Room, Dursley Community Centre, Rednock Drive, Dursley at 7pm on Tuesday, 21st March 2017.

PRESENT

Cllr N Grecian, Mayor

Councillors: S Abraham, J Ball, A Sheffield, S Ackroyd, L Patrick, A Stennett, W Thomas, J Burdge, B Cairns, P Hayes, S Creswick, M Woodward, M Laybourne (from item 6.2) and F Firth (from item 6.2).

Also present: Leah Wellings, Deputy Town Clerk.

TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE 9768

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Nicholson (personal) and B Cairns (personal).

MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST 9769

There were no declarations of interest.

REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS 9770

There were no requests for dispensations.

REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC 9771

There were no representations from the public.

MINUTES 9772

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 7th March 2017 were confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

BUSINESS DEALT WITH IN COMMITTEE

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9773.1 To resolve to exclude the press and public from the remainder of the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business

IT WAS RESOLVED to carry out the remainder of business in committee due to the confidential nature of the business. There were no members of the press or public present.

9773.2 To receive an update from Bruton Knowles and to agree response and actions from Council

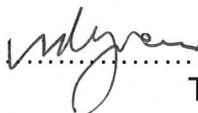
An offer letter, information and email had been circulated to Councillors with the agenda.

An update from Bruton Knowles was considered and the email response dated 13th March 2017 regarding the offer letter was noted.

IT WAS RESOLVED to

- i) to agree in principle to the inclusion of an overage clause, the detail and timescales for which would need to be agreed following legal advice.
- ii) to use the services of Bruton Knowles to proceed with the change of use planning application but clarify the timetable and breakdown of estimated fees to avoid double working/unnecessary works, as advised by them. The costs for this work to be taken from reserves.
- iii) to apply to the Department for Communities and Local Government for borrowing approval for a £500,000 loan to be repaid over a period of 20 years. The Town Clerk to facilitate the process to obtain the loan and draft the necessary application form for Council approval; the loan expenditure is subject to successfully obtaining the required planning permission.
- iv) to obtain quotations from Solicitors that are experienced with Town and Parish Councils.
- v) to take advice on the relevant VAT issues.
- vi) to issue a public press release and hold a meeting with Dursley District and County Councillors when the Change of Use Planning Application is submitted and made public.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:15 pm.

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 Town Mayor

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 Date