



GILLINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Hall, School Road, Gillingham, Dorset SP8 4QR

EXTRA-ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on **Thursday 18th May 2023** at The Town Hall, School Road, Gillingham, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present:

Cllr Sharon Cullingford, Mayor
Cllr Barry von Clemens, Deputy Mayor
Cllr Fiona Cullen
Cllr Rupert Evill
Cllr Alan Frith

Cllr Mick Hill
Cllr Sarah Snook
Cllr Donna Toye
Cllr Mark Walden
Cllr Roger Weeks

In attendance:

Serena Burgess, Projects & HR Admin Officer
Julie Hawkins, Town Clerk joined via MS Teams

- 1029. Public Participation. Please note: a period up to a maximum of fifteen minutes will be allowed for public comments and questions restricted to items listed on the following agenda.**

There was no public participation.

- 1030. To receive apologies for absence.**

It was agreed and **RESOLVED** to accept the apologies for absence from Cllr Harris, Cllr Kilcourse, Cllr Potheary, Cllr Poulter and Cllr A von Clemens who were unable to join the meeting for personal reasons.

- 1031. Declarations of Interest: Members are required to comply with the requirements of Section 27 of the Localism Act 2011 disclosable pecuniary interests.**

There were no declarations of interest.

- 1032. To receive consider and adopt the following standing committee report.**

- a) HR Committee meeting held on Monday 15 May 2023.**

It was agreed and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the HR Committee meeting held on Monday 15th May 2023 are approved and adopted.

1033. To receive and consider written applications for the office of Town Councillor and to co-opt a candidate to fill the vacancy for the Town Ward of Gillingham.

The meeting clerk confirmed that the candidate is eligible to stand as a councillor for Gillingham as per the Local Government Act 1972, S79 and S80.

The candidate was given five minutes to introduce themselves to members, give information on their background and experience and explain why they wished to become a member of Gillingham Town Council. Following the presentation, members asked the candidate questions before proceeding to vote.

It was agreed and **RESOLVED** that David Walsh should be co-opted as member for the Town Ward of Gillingham. Cllr Hill and Cllr Weeks voted against the proposal.

1034. To invite the successful Town Ward candidate to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

David Walsh signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The meeting closed at 8.01 pm