



EMERSONS GREEN
TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Full Council
held in the Council Chamber, Emersons Green Town Council

9 December 2021

Present: Councillors S Budd (Chairman), D Somers, R Sunderland, C Johnson, P Morgan, M Palmer, S Al Hassan and S Bassett

Absent: Councillors C Wilkins, R Nichols, S Hill, J Dowling, R Hunt and J Hunt

In attendance: Kath MacConnachie (Town Clerk)

2021.130. **Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hill, J Hunt, R Hunt and Dowling

2021.131. **Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011**

There were no declarations of interests.

2021.132. **Public participation**

There were no members of the public present.

2021.133. **To approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 11 November 2021**

It was **Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 November 2021 were a true and accurate record of the meeting and these were signed by the Chairman.

2021.134. **Outstanding Items from these Minutes**

There were no outstanding items from these minutes.

2021.135. **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence for consideration.

2021.136. **Planning Committee update**

A verbal update was received from the Chairman of the Planning Committee.

2021.137. **Finance Committee update**

A verbal update was received from the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

2021.138. **Open Spaces Committee update**

A verbal update was received from the Chairman of the Open Spaces Committee.

2021.139. **Climate Emergency Working Group update**

A verbal update was provided by Councillor Sunderland.

2021.140. **Staff Leave Policy**

It was **Resolved** to adopt the Staff Leave Policy as circulated and recommended by the Personnel Committee.

2021.141. **Youth Services tender**

It was **Resolved** to increase the frequency of youth work to two nights a week for inclusion in the Invitation To Tender (ITT) for the service.

It was **Resolved** to proceed to tender for youth services as per the circulated ITT documentation.

2021.142. **To pass a resolution to exclude members of the public and press for agenda item 14, due to the CONFIDENTIAL and SENSITIVE nature of the business to be transacted**

It was **Resolved** to exclude members of the public and press for agenda item 14 (minute 2021.143) due to the commercially confidential and sensitive nature of the business to be transacted.

2021.143. **Potential youth capital project (local youth venue)**

Consideration was given to potential to work collaboratively with a local community organisation with regard to a potential youth venue for development. A briefing document circulated by the Clerk was considered. No decision was made.

It was **Resolved** to look at turning the Town Council building into a youth venue, with the Town Council offices operating alongside.

2021.144. **Items from members to report**

- Councillor Palmer mentioned the Solar Together scheme which the Climate Emergency Working Group might like to look into. Councillor Bassett also suggested that there may be potential for installing solar panels at the Town Council offices.
- Councillor Palmer noted that Emersons Green Village Hall had experienced some issues with antisocial behaviour. They were installing new security guards and had employed a security guard temporarily. Some issues had also been reported at Lyde Green Community Centre concerning fire damage within the centre.

2021.145. **Next Meeting**

7.00pm on Thursday 13 January 2022 to be held in the Council Chamber, Emersons Green Town Council