



#### PRINCES RISBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE ADMIN & H/R COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019 AT 10.00 PM IN THE PRINCES CENTRE, CLIFFORD ROAD, PRINCES RISBOROUGH

## PRESENT

Chairman Cllr I McLauchlan. Councillors J Coombs, A Ball, A Turner and M Walsh Clerk to the Town Council- Susanne Griffiths

## **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies were received.

## 2. MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting on the 17<sup>TH</sup> September 2019 having been circulated were approved by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

## **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS**

Members were asked to declare any pecuniary or non-pecuniary declarations of interest and confirmation of any relevant dispensations. Cllrs M Walsh and A Turner declared an interest in the agenda item 6 a.

## 4. PUBLIC FORUM

No questions were raised by members of the public.

## 5. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

#### 6. OFFICE

# Cllrs M Walsh and A Turner declared an interest in the following agenda item and took no part in the discussion or decision.

#### a) Office Lease

In response to a request from the Town Council, the Trustees of the Princes Centre have agreed to extend the new PRTC lease for a further year totalling three years with the caveat that there would be a rent review after the original two years.

Cllr I McLauchlan proposed to recommend the extension of the office lease on the above terms to the Town Council for approval. Seconded by Cllr J Coombs.

Resolved: To recommend to the Town Council to approve the proposed office lease for 3 years from the Princes Centre Trustees. SG

#### b) Office Telephones

Cllr A Turner proposed to recommend to the Town Council, a policy to enable the office telephone calls to be recorded. Seconded by Cllr A Ball.

## Resolved: To recommend to the Town Council to adopt a policy enabling the office telephone calls to be recorded.

Cllr I McLauchlan requested that the Complaints procedure is reviewed to include reference to the recording of telephone calls. **All present agreed** to review the policy at the next meeting. **SG** 

#### 7. COMMITTEE BUDGET

The committee received a detailed income and expenditure budget update. **Resolved: That spending in respect of the 2019/20 budget be noted.** 

#### 8. BUDGET 2020/2021

Estimates, except for salaries, for the next financial year were agreed for submission to the Finance Estimates Committee. **All present agreed** to review the salaries at the next meeting after the appraisals had taken place. **SG** 

## 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

To review the Complaints procedure.

To complete the Administration/Human Resources Committee2020/2021 budget for Estimates.





## 10. A RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1 (2) OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960.

Cllr J Coombs proposed to pass a resolution to exclude the public and press to discuss staff matters Seconded by Cllr A Ball.

Resolved: in accordance with section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded on the grounds of the confidential nature of the business about to receive a report on staff matters and decide on any action to be taken.

**All present agreed** staff members' request for leave outside of the policy during the week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2019.

All present noted a resignation letter due to personal reasons.

All present agreed to a staff member request for a reduction in hours.

**All present agreed** the new appraisal form supplied by the Town Council HR Consultants, to be used for this year's appraisals,

All present agreed that the following councillors will be present during the staff appraisals taking place in the week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> November. - Cllr M Walsh for the office appraisals, Cllr I McLauchlan and Cllr Walsh for the Clerk's appraisal and Cllr A Ball for the Maintenance Team appraisals. MW/AB/IM/SG All present agreed that the Deputy Team Leader role is advertised internally with effect from 8<sup>th</sup> November until 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Cllrs J Coombs and A Ball agreed to sit on the interview panel with the Clerk and Team Leader. JC/AB/SG/RP

## **11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Committee is to be advised. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 10.47am.

Chairman ..... Date

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