



Tiverton Town Council

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Minutes of the Zoom Full Council Meeting of the Council held on Monday 11th January 2021 at 6pm.

Present: Cllr’s C Slade (Mayor), S Griggs (Deputy Mayor), J Blagg, W Burke, S Bush, N Davey, A Hendy, I Hill, P Hill, B Holdman, D Knowles, T Lindus, J Rendle.

In attendance: Town Clerk (Mr J Vanderwolfe), Assistant to the Town Clerk Mrs J Hubbard, one member of the public, and one member of press.

Absent: Cllrs A Berry, L Cruwys, D Garcia-Parejo, A Perris,

161	Opening of the Meeting by the Mayor, Cllr C Slade. Cllr C Slade welcomed the members to the Full Council Zoom Meeting and instructed them of the procedures for voting and questions. All reports had been previously circulated.	
162	Apologies: Cllr C Daw (Work) Cllr C Harrower (connectivity issues).	
163	Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct There were no Declarations of Interest made at this stage of the meeting.	
164	Minutes: To adopt the Minutes of the Meetings The Minutes of the meeting held on the 23 rd November 2020 were adopted as a true record.	
165	Matters arising from the above meetings There were no matters arising.	
166	Democratic Period: for members of the public to ask questions or make statements via email or zoom. There was one member of the public present, who did not wish to ask a question.	
167	Budget and Precept: to resolve to agree the budget and precept demand for the year commencing 1st April 2021. The Town Clerk informed the members that the precept demand would be £437,142 for the year commencing 1 st April 2021. This equated to 2 % increase for band D meaning a charge of £62.94 for 2021 compared to £61.69 the previous year. The budget total for 2021 was £460,242. Cllr C Slade proposed to accept the Budget and Precept for 2021, this was seconded by Cllr D Knowles. All agreed to accept.	
168	Asset Register: to resolve to adopt the amended Asset Register.	

	<p>The Town Clerk informed the members of the amendments to the Asset Register and explained that he had introduced a new procedure to update the register with new items as soon as they were purchased.</p> <p>Cllr C Slade proposed to adopt the amended Asset Register, Cllr W Burke seconded.</p> <p>All resolved to adopt.</p>	
169	<p>Insurance: To agree the insurance document which takes effect from January 2021.</p> <p>The Town Clerk informed the members of the 3 year deal proposal from W.P.S. Hallam Insurance Brokers.</p> <p>Cllr B Holdman asked if W.P.S. Hallam Insurance Brokers was unique in offering insurance to councils and whether other quotations had been received.</p> <p>The Town Clerk said that W.P.S. Hallam were Insurance Brokers, and therefore were able to find the best insurance company to meet the councils' requirements.</p> <p>Cllr B Holdman proposed to accept the insurance proposal this was seconded by Cllr W Burke.</p>	
170	<p>Other correspondence</p> <p>The Town Clerk informed the members that he had received a quotation from Festive Lighting Ltd who currently supply the town's Christmas lights. They had proposed to give a 25% discount on the hire charge to carry on the original 3 year contract for a 4th year. He said that a decision would be needed soon to secure this proposal.</p> <p>The Town Clerk said that there would be a slight shortfall in the budget for 2021 for Christmas lighting if the deal was agreed but that this could possibly be covered by fund raising. With the Tiverton Traders Association being mentioned.</p> <p>Cllr C Slade was happy to continue with Festive Lighting Ltd.</p> <p>Cllr S Griggs asked if the faulty lighting would be repaired for the 2021 display.</p> <p>The Town Clerk said that the lights would be repaired or replaced as necessary.</p> <p>Cllr D Knowles said that he thought it was a good idea to accept the 4th year proposal as this gave the council breathing room to seek new quotations for 2022 onwards.</p> <p>All agreed to accept the proposal.</p>	
171	<p>Next Meeting: Monday 25th January 2021.</p>	

Signed

Date