

**Town Council Meeting
03 August 2023**

Present: Councillors Bates, Conway, Dodson, Fernie, Hardacre, Kendall, McGinnies, Oldroyd, Stephens, Whitehead the acting town clerk and the deputy town clerk.

Twenty Three members of the public were in attendance.

This meeting was simultaneously livestreamed and recorded via Zoom.

105 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Morton and Cllr Ogunade.

Resolved that the respective reasons for absence be approved.

106 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest other than those already declared in members' respective register of interests.

107 TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Resolved that the minutes of the council meeting held on 20 July 2023 be approved.

108 GRANTS POLICY

Resolved that the Grants Policy be approved.

109 COMPLAINTS AND ABUSE POLICY

Resolved that the Complaints and Abuse policies be approved.

110 FORENSIC AUDIT - SPECIAL MOTION

Councillor Hardaker requested a recorded vote.

It was proposed and seconded that the forensic audit does not proceed.

For – Councillors Conway, Fernie, McGinnies, Whitehead and Hardaker.

It was proposed to proceed with the forensic audit, but not seconded.

Resolved not to proceed with the forensic audit.

111 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Members of the public raised the following matters:

- The acting town clerk's qualifications
- The recruitment of the acting town clerk
- The minutes of the council meeting on 6 July
- A memorial plaque
- CCTV
- The abuse policy

The meeting closed at 19:45.