BRIDGWATER TOWN COUNCIL



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Minutes of Bridgwater Town Council held in the W101 Bridgwater Room on Monday 3 June 2024 at 10:00

Present:

Councillors: Lerry (Chair), Leavy, Mander, Pearce, and Solomon.

Councillors Rodrigues, Slocombe (joined at 10:35) and Smedley joined virtually.

Officers:

David Mears, CEO and Town Clerk and Amy Storey, Democratic Services Officer.

FCSC2024/1 To receive Apologies for Absence

RESOLVED: Apologies were received from Councillors Slocombe, Smedley, and Rodrigues, who joined virtually.

FCSC2024/2 Declarations of Interests

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).

RESOLVED: None.

FCSC2024/3 To RECEIVE AND NOTE A BRIEFING REPORT from the Director of Finance and Corporate Services

RESOLVED: To note the briefing report.

FCSC2024/4 Finance - accounts for payment and income

To note items of expenditure as approved under delegated authority or under previous Council/Committee decisions and income received up to 31 May 2024

RESOLVED: To note accounts for payment and income.

FCSC2024/5 FINANCE - To note the year to date budget as of 31 May 2024

RESOLVED: To note the Year-to-Date Budget dated 31 May 2024.

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FCSC2024/6 To note additional comments from internal auditor

RESOLVED: To note the report from the Internal Auditor.

FCSC2024/7 To receive an overview of the new technology that will be deployed across Bridgwater Town Council DURING 2024

The Town Clerk gave an overview of the new technology that will be deployed across Bridgwater Town Council during 2024, GovSuite, which will help with inspections and allowing the public to easily report issues across the Town.

FCSC2024/8 To receive an oral update from the Chief Executive and Town Clerk regarding the budget calculation spreadsheet for 2024/25

The Chief Executive and Town Clerk gave an update on the budget calculation spreadsheet which shown a miscalculation which has now been rectified. Councillors were reassured that this would not affect delivery of services, and the budget gap would be covered by using reserves, income generation and virement from other budget headings. There would also be further monitoring and reporting on the development of this financial process.

The	Chairman	closed	the	meeting	at	10:51	L

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