

PATCHWAY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Extraordinary Town Council held on the 24th March 2020 at 19:00 by video link (Go to Meeting Application)

Due to Government Advice on COVID-19, this meeting was held in exceptional circumstances via conference call. It was unanimously agreed that all those who could not attend the meeting via conference call would have their apologies accepted due to the exceptional circumstances.

Councillors: E Martin (in the chair), R Loveridge, T Scott, R Walker, I Walker, P Cottrell, S Shambhu, J Buddharaju, J Butler, K Dando, G Pykov, S Scott.

In attendance: L Squire (Clerk), J Turner (Deputy Clerk)

Absent:

Members of the Public:

24/03/2020--No 1 To receive and consider apologies for absence and decide whether to accept them.

Cllrs E Gordon, B Hopkinson and T Bathe-Taylor

RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to accept all apologies.

24/03/2020--No 2 Declarations of Interest

The Chairman stated that any member having a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed should declare it during the meeting as specified in the Code of Conduct required by the Localism Act 2011 Section 27 and should leave the room while the matter was discussed.

24/03/2020--No 3 To consider and agree the delegation to officers' scheme

The Clerk explained to the council that due to the emergency situation the country finds itself in due to COVID-19 and that other local councils are delegating some powers to their officers to ensure business continuity. The majority of councillors did not see the need for it due to the proximity of passing a law to allow virtual meetings.

RESOLVED: The majority agreed with one abstention and one against to reject the delegation to officer's scheme. **Further resolved** to hold council meetings every Tuesday and Thursday due to the extraordinary times the country is in.

10/03/2020--No 4 To approve the latest expenditure report and authorise payments.

RESOLVED: Unanimously agreed to pay the following invoices. More clarification would be sought on the invoice from Nicholas Morley Architects.

Payments for March 2020						
Company	Invoice	Net (cost to council)	VAT	Gross	Power	Our Ref
Churches Fire	Callicroft House Extinguisher Service	£ 259.45	£ 51.89	£ 311.34	LGA 1972, s111	03-20-061
Churches Fire	Casson Centre Extinguisher Service	£ 172.45	£ 34.49	£ 206.94	LGA 1972, s111	03-20-062
Avoncrop	Grass Seed	£ 110.50	£ 3.50	£ 111.27	Open Spaces Act 1906 s9&10	03-20-063
Cordell Health	Staff Consultations	£ 484.50	£ -	£ 484.50	LGA (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, s19	03-20-064
South West Councils	Two investigations as per the Council's decision	£ 5,047.00	£ 1,009.40	£ 6,056.40	LGA (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, s19	03-20-065
Brosch	Toilet Rolls	£ 10.49	£ 2.10	£ 12.59	Public Health Act 1875, s.164	03-20-066
Stoke Lane FC	Refund of pitch hire fees already paid	£ 534.00	£ -	£ 534.00	LGA (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, s19	03-20-067
North Bristol Foodbank (Patchway Branch)	Donation to buy goods for the local foodbank branch.	£ 500.00	£ -	£ 500.00	s137.	03-20-068
Total for March 2020		£7,144.39	£1,106.58	£8,248.24		

The meeting closed at 19:40