

Annual Business Rate Payers

Date: Friday, 11 February 2022

Time: 09:00

Venue: via Teams

Address: [Venue Address]

AGENDA

Open to Public and Press

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

You have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in a matter to be discussed if it relates to something on your Register of Interests form. You must declare the interest and leave the room while the matter is dealt with.

You have a Personal Interest in a matter to be discussed if it affects

- your well being or financial position
- that of your family or close friends
- that of a club or society in which you have a management role
- that of another public body of which you are a member to a greater extent than others in your ward.

You must declare a personal interest but can speak and vote on the matter.

Whenever you declare an interest you must say why the interest arises, so that it can be included in the minutes.

3 <u>MINUTES</u> 3 - 4

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2021.

4 MATTERS ARISING

To consider any matters arising from the above minutes.

5 THE BUDGET 2022-23

The Finance Director to report on the Budget 2022-23.

6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

To consider any other business as may be determined by the Chairman of the meeting as being of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration.

7 **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC**

In the event of the Committee wishing to exclude the public from the meeting, the following resolution will be moved:-

"That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12(A) of the said Act."



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Minutes

Tuesday, 16 February 2021 at 10:30

PRESENT:-

Councillor Smith (in the Chair) & Councillor Wainwright.

Ms K Sly (Finance Director), Ms L Snow (Finance Manager), Mrs S Wintle (Corporate Services Manager) & Mrs C Webb (Executive Services Officer).

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest declared at the meeting.

3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2020 were confirmed by assent.

4 THE BUDGET 2021/22

The Finance Director gave a presentation to the Committee regarding the Council's budget for 2021/22.

The Chairman & Councillor Wainwright thanked the Finance Director and her team for producing the budget under difficult circumstances as a result of the pandemic.

Jonathan Newman, Town Centre Manager, reported via email that he had no questions for the Committee and would await the business rates figures for 2021/22. The Finance Director reported that the Council would communicate any new Government grants to the Town Centre Manager as soon as the information became available.

Carol Todd, E E Greens, asked via email, following the Council's recent public consultation on the Wintergardens, what had the residents indicated they would like to see regarding the use of the space and when would work commence on the Market Place. The Chairman responded to the guestions.

Carol Todd reported that she had met several employees from Bam Nuttalls who had started work on the Third River Crossing and was pleased that local employment was being used in the project.

The Chairman and the Finance Director thanked those who had taken the time to attend the meeting.

The meeting ended at: 12:30