



MINUTES

Of the Town Council's Annual Council Meeting held on Monday 15th May 2023

PRESENT: Councillors: Carter, Cooke, Davies, Hunt, Mehta, Parnaby, Preece, and Turley

APOLOGIES: Councillors: Aston, Blasczyk, Chikandamina, Hannington, Heighway and Parker.

Staff: Simon Eccleston (Clerk), Sarah Houlston (Deputy Clerk), Kyle Parry (Communications Officer)

A quorum was present when decisions were made. Name's present must be recorded.

ACM23/01	Election of Chair for 2023/24 Councillor Davies elected Chair of Great Dawley Town Council for 2023/24 Proposed Cllr Mehta Seconded Cllr Preece Unanimously agreed by all Councillors
ACM23/02	Declaration Councillor Davies signs declaration of office for position of Chair
ACM23/03	Election of Deputy Chair Councillor Mehta elected Deputy Chair of Great Dawley Town Council for 2023/24 Proposed Councillor Parnaby Seconded Councillor Preece Unanimously agreed by all Councillors
ACM23/04	Declaration Councillor Mehta signs declaration of office for position of Vice Chair.
ACM23/05	Welcome Councillor Davies welcomes Councillors to the Annual Town Council meeting.
ACM23/06	Apologies Councillors Blasczyk, Hannington, Heighway, Parker & Aston - Work Councillor Chikandamina- Family Commitment Proposed Councillor Mehta Seconded Councillor Turley



	Unanimously agreed by all Councillors
ACM23/07	Election of Mayor for 2023/24 Councillor Preece was elected as Mayor for 2023/24 Proposed Councillor Mehta Seconded Councillor Hunt Unanimously agreed by all Councillors
ACM23/08	Declaration Councillor Preece signs declaration of office for position of Mayor
ACM23/09	Election of Deputy Mayor for 2023/24 Councillor Carter is elected as Deputy Mayor for 2023/24 Proposed Councillor Mehta Seconded Councillor Preece Unanimously agreed by all Councillors
ACM23/10	Declaration Councillor Carter signs declaration of office for position of Deputy Mayor
ACM23/11	Minutes. Minutes from the previous Annual Town Council meeting held on 5 th May 2022 are approved. Proposed Councillor Cooke Seconded Councillor Parnaby Unanimously agreed by all Councillors
ACM23/12	Borough Councillor Update Verbal update from Councillors Davies & Preece Councillor Hunt raised a question regarding private care companies operating in the town Councillor Davies advised to send query to Clerk who can forward on to appropriate director at T&W.
ACM23/13	Proposed Meeting Dates Meeting dates are accepted, will be circulated to all councillors and also displayed on website. Proposed Councillor Turley Seconded Councillor Carter Unanimously agreed by all Councillors
ACM23/14	Appointment of Committees and Members of Committees. Council appointed below members for Executive Committee Councillor Chikandamina Councillor Turley Councillor Parker Councillor Parnaby Councillor Heighway Councillor Hunt



	The Chair, Deputy Chair & Deputy Mayor are all automatically members of the Executive Committee as per the terms of reference. Proposed by Councillor Mehta Seconded by Councillor Preece Unanimously agreed by all Councillors RESOLVED Members of the Executive Committee for 2023/24												
ACM23/15	Review of Delegation Arrangements and Terms of Reference for Committees Council agree the delegation arrangements and terms of Reference for Committees. Proposed by Councillor Parnaby Seconded by Councillor Mehta Unanimously agreed by all Councillors RESOLVED Members agree delegation arrangements and terms of Reference for Committees.												
ACM23/16	Standing Orders and Financial Regulations. Council consider the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations Proposed by Councillor Mehta Seconded by Councillor Turley Unanimously agreed by all Councillors RESOLVED Members approve Standing Orders and Financial Regulations												
ACM23/17	Review of Risk Register Council considered and approve the risk register for 2023/24 Proposed by Councillor Turley Seconded by Councillor Hunt Unanimously agreed by all Councillors												
ACM23/18	Appointment of Town Council Representative on Outside Bodies. Council considered the appointment of Town Council representatives on outside bodies Proposed by Councillor Mehta Seconded by Councillor Turley Unanimously agreed by all Councillors <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Bus User group</td><td>Cllr Cooke</td></tr> <tr> <td>Friends of Dawley Park</td><td>Cllrs Parker</td></tr> <tr> <td>Parish forum</td><td>Cllr Mehta</td></tr> <tr> <td>Snow Warden</td><td>Cllr Carter</td></tr> <tr> <td>WAC (Wrekin Area committee)</td><td>Cllr Preece</td></tr> <tr> <td>Shropshire Association of local Councils</td><td>Cllr Preece</td></tr> </table>	Bus User group	Cllr Cooke	Friends of Dawley Park	Cllrs Parker	Parish forum	Cllr Mehta	Snow Warden	Cllr Carter	WAC (Wrekin Area committee)	Cllr Preece	Shropshire Association of local Councils	Cllr Preece
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	National Association of Local Councils Cllr Preece
ACM23/19	Grants Application received from 1st Dawley Girls Brigade for £250 Proposed by Councillor Parnaby Seconded by Councillor Cooke Unanimously agreed by all Councillors RESOLVED Council awards grant of £250 to Dawley Girls Brigade. Application received from Dawley Social Club Proposed by Councillor Mehta Seconded by Councillor Preece Councillor Cooke abstained Unanimously agreed by all Councillors RESOLVED Council awards grant of £250 to Dawley Social Club. Application received from Morton Court Councillors asked to see if the event was retrospective. RESOLVED Council decline the grant until further information submitted. Application received from Friends of Dawley Park for plants Council have asked to check that these are plants additional to that provided as part of the Core contract with T&W. Proposed by Councillor Cooke Seconded by Councillor Parnaby Councillor Cooke abstained Unanimously agreed by all Councillors RESOLVED Council awards grant of £250 to FODP so long as plants are additional to core contract. Application received from ST Leonards Church Council have declined as the grant is for a retrospective event.



	RESOLVED Council declines grant to St Leonards for retrospective event. Application received from Ladygrove Primary School for upto £11,000 Council have asked for more information and to ensure that the Ladygrove targets have been achieved prior to making a decision. The Clerk will contact the Business Manager to obtain more details. Proposed by Councillor Preece Seconded by Councillor Davies Unanimously agreed by all Councillors RESOLVED Council requests more information
ACM23/20	Clerks Report Clerk delivered report
ACM23/21	Exclusion of Press and Public To resolve: Under Section 100(A) Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the following items of business on the agenda.

Meeting closed at 6.55pm