CLITHEROE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the General Purposes Committee held on Monday 23 May 2022 In the Council Chamber, Clitheroe Town Hall

PRESENT:- The Town Mayor, Councillor Jenni Schumann, in the Chair The Deputy Town Mayor, Councillor Jonathan Hill Councillors Ian Brown, Kerry Fletcher, Stewart Fletcher, Gaynor Hibbert, Donna O'Rourke, Simon O'Rourke, Mary Robinson, Town Clerk

14.22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence, together with reasons, had been received from Councillor Mark French

15.22 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

16.22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

17.22 MINUTES

The Minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 14 February 2022 were approved and signed.

18.22 MAYORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Details were provided of events attended by the Town Mayor and Mayoress since the last Council meeting on 29 April 2022.

19.22 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Consideration was given to planning applications received for weeks ended 29 April 2022, 06 May 2022 and 13 May 2022

RESOLVED:

- (1) That no objections be raised to the following applications:-3/2022/ 0353, 0359, 0372, 0388, 0415, 0419, 0422, 0430 & 0433
- (2) That RVBC be advised that the Town Council has objections to application 3/2022/0148 on the grounds of over-intensity of development, limited parking provision and highways safety concerns.

20.22 MAYOR MAKING INVITATIONS 2023 ONWARDS

It was explained that several of those traditionally invited to the annual mayor-making ceremony were unable to attend due to illness or relocation and it had been suggested that the invitation list was reviewed.

It was proposed that, in future, invitations be considered for representatives of local secondary schools, local clergy of all faiths and unsung heroes of the town, probably on a rota basis.

RESOLVED: THAT the invitation list for mayor-making be revised from 2023 onwards to include representatives of local secondary schools, local clergy and unsung heroes of the town.

21.22 MAYOR OF CLITHEROE WELFARE FUND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2022

The statement of accounts for the Mayor of Clitheroe Welfare Fund was reviewed. It was explained that a total of £2,932.59 had been raised by the previous Town Mayor and Mayoress, Councillors O'Rourke. It was agreed that Councillors O'Rourke would make arrangements with the recipient charities for an appropriate presentation of the funds.

22.22 ACCOUNTS PAID IN APRIL 2022

The accounts paid in April 2022 were reviewed and approved. It was explained that the annual donation had been made to RV CAB along with a donation to UK Med's Ukraine appeal. Repairs to the meter box at the Castle Gates had also been undertaken and the annual subscription to LALC had been paid.

RESOLVED: THAT the accounts paid in April 2022 be approved

23.22 INSURANCE RENEWAL QUOTATION

The Town Clerk advised that Zurich Municipal had offered one year, three year and five year Long Term Agreement (LTA) renewal options for the insurance premiums.

It was agreed that it would be sensible in the current economic climate to take out a five year Long Term Agreement at the price of £2,983.44 (inc IPT)

RESOLVED: THAT a five-year long term agreement be entered into with Zurich Municipal for the renewal of the appropriate insurance policies.

24.22 PARISH LENGTHSMAN'S REPORT

The parish lengthsman's report for April 2022 was considered. It was noted that time in the workshop repairing machinery had been charged and it was considered whether this was appropriate as the lengthsman owned his own tools. It was suggested that a conversation be held with the lengthsman about this matter.

The meeting closed at 19.50 pm.

Chair