

STURMINSTER NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Thursday 4th February 2021 on Zoom. Us at 7.15 pm

Present :

Councillor N Dobson

Councillor A Donaldson

Councillor C Fraser (Mayor)

Councillor M Jones

Councillor H Lacey (Deputy Mayor)

Councillor H Reed

Councillor M Roake

Councillor G Rose

Councillor R Taylor

Apologies for Absence:

Cllr J Janes

Attendance on Zoom:

Mal Derricott (Acting Town Clerk),

Kate Squire (Finance Officer)

Dorset Councillor Carole Jones

RESOLUTION
for each item the proposer is
named first followed by the
second

TC/161/21 PUBLIC SESSION

No members of the public were present

TC/162/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

No interests were declared and no written requests for
dispensation had been received.

TC/163/21 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 07.01.2021
having been circulated and publicised prior to the meeting, were
taken as read and approved for signature by the Chairman as a
true and correct record.

Cllr Fraser
Cllr Donaldson

TC/164/21 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- Amenities Committee held on 14.01.21
The Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 14th.
January 2021 were approved as a true and correct record
of the meeting
- Planning & Environment Committee held on 21.01.21
The Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee
held on 21st. January 2021 were approved as a true and
correct record of the meeting
- Finance & Personnel Committee held on 28.01.21
The Minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee held
on 28th. January 2021 were approved as a true and
correct record of the meeting

Cllr Jones
Cllr Lacey

Cllr Taylor
Cllr Reed

Cllr Rose
Cllr Taylor

TC/165/21 FINANCIAL MATTERS

No matters to consider.

TC/166/21 RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR S BEVIS

The Council accepted the resignation of Councillor S Bevis and
agreed to proceed with the advertisement of a casual vacancy

TC/167/21 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Acting Town Clerk advised that she would shortly circulate a
proposed calendar for future meetings for consideration.

ACTION
TOWN CLERK

TC/168/21 TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT

Chair's initials



The Town Mayor Cllr Fraser reported being busy with the Town Clerk recruitment process and a successful meeting regarding Sturminster Newton Mill emergency repair works.

TC/169/21 DORSET COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

- Dorset Cllr Jones reported a 6 week consultation period regarding Dorset Councils proposed plans to purchase the former St Mary's school site.
- Cllr Jones also updated the Council regarding the possibility of a traffic calming measure on Bath Road to allow safer access into Town for pedestrians. She suggested this may affect the planned locations of posts for the speed indicator device.

TC/170/21 MEMBER INFORMATION

Cllr Lacey – Requested that a letter of thanks is sent on the Council's behalf to the Surgery for organising such an efficient vaccination programme and to The Exchange for offering the building as a vaccination centre. Council approved this suggestion.

Cllr Donaldson -

- Tree Officer, Cllr Donaldson, updated the Council regarding 3 applications for permission to fell trees in the field west of the War Memorial Recreation Ground by the Hinton St Mary Estate.
- He also asked if residential electric car charge points could be considered at the next Planning & Environment committee meeting as he had been made aware of some funding available for this.

TC/171/21 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

In exercise of the power conferred by the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Section 1(2) the Council resolved that members of the public and press be excluded from the Meeting on the grounds that the business to be transacted being of a confidential nature it is likely that personal and/or exempt information would otherwise be improperly disclosed and would feel unable to discuss the matter freely.

Cllr Fraser
Cllr Donaldson

TC/172/21 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – LEASING ARRANGEMENTS

TC/173/21 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – STAFFING AND EMPLOYMENT MATTERS

Approved on

9th MARCH 2001

Chair's signature



Chair's initials

