

## **NEWENT TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of Newent Town Council held on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022** Newent Town Council, Annexe Building, Rear of Newent Community Centre, Ross Road, Newent at 6.30pm.

Present: Councillors Mrs C Howley (Chairman), Mrs R Wadley, Mr R Beard, Mrs G Moseley, Mrs S Marcovecchio and Mr E Wood

Also present – The Clerk and 2 members of the public.

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### **Public Participation Session**

There were no public speakers.

#### **1. To note apologies for absence.**

Apologies were accepted from Councillors Mrs W Odhiambo, Mrs M Duffield Mrs J Gooch, Mrs K Draper, Ms C Stone and Mrs K Selwyn

#### **2. Declarations of Interest on items on the agenda.**

The following councillor made declarations of interest on items on the agenda.

Councillor Mr E Wood declared an interest in Item 5.1 'To approve the accounts to be paid'.

#### **3. To approve the Minutes of Council Meeting held on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

The council resolved by unanimous decision that the Minutes were a true and accurate summary of the meeting and were duly signed by the Chairman.

#### **4. Clerk's update and matters arising from previous Minutes.**

##### **4.1. To note the Clerk's Report**

The clerk's report was noted.

Councillor Mr E Wood left the meeting.

## 5. Finance

5.1 To approve the accounts to be paid.

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Total (£)</b>	<b>Description</b>
Chamberlain Nurseries	1,358.46	Planting & Tub for town
Chris Hyett	105.00	Pest Control: lake & cemetery
Colin Rooke	100.00	Food for Christmas lights
Edward H Wood	45.00	Repair of jet washer for plants
Ermin Plant	1,071.07 10.80	Cherry Picker: harness: Boom Thermal Insulate Gloves
GMT Solutions	189.12	Bronze Monthly Support: IT
KJS Accountants Ltd	335.00	Prof. Accountancy Service
MKM BS (Newent) Ltd	51.84	Industrial Plugs & Socket
RYAL Media Group	234.00	Deputy Clerk Advert Issue 246
Shaw & Sons Ltd	70.33	Parish Receipt Book
Society of Local Council Clerks	296.00	Soc. for Local Council Clerks Membership
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,866.62</b>	

The Council by unanimous decision approved the accounts to be paid to a value of **£3,866.62**

Councillor Mr E Wood returned to the meeting.

5.2 To note the RFO Reports

The RFO report was noted.

## 6. Bank Reconciliation of 30.11.22

6.1 To note Bank Reconciliation for **30.11.22**

The Bank Reconciliation for **30.11.22** was noted

Current Account: £19,885.47

Deposit Account: £ 244,485.53

**Total**                    **£ 264,371.00**

6.2 To note Cashbook for **30.11.22**

The Cashbook for 30.11.22 was noted

### 6.3 To note Earmarked Reserves **30.11.22**

A councillor commented that Earmarked Reserve 370 Electric Vehicle Charging holding £7,000.00 was part of a grant and is to be used as part of a study into electric vehicle charging.

It should be retained for its original purpose.

The Earmarked Reserve for 30.11.22 was noted.

Closing Balance **£134,629.19**

### 6.4 To note Income & Expenditure Report **30.11.22**

The Income & Expenditure Report for 30.11.22 was noted.

## 7. **Newent Neighbourhood Development Plan (NNDP) Steering Group**

### 7.1 To note the minutes of the meeting 20.07.22

The minutes of the meeting held on the 20.07.22 were noted.

### 7.2 To note the minutes of the meeting 21.09.22

The minutes of the meeting held on the 21.09.22 were noted.

### 7.3 To note the minutes of the meeting 01.11.22

The minutes of the meeting held on the 01.11.22 were noted.

## 8. **Market House Visitors Report 2022-2023**

### 8.1 To note the Market House Visitors Report 2022-2023

The Market House Visitors Report 2022-2023 was noted.

## 9. **Asset of Community Value**

9.1 For the Red Lion Bar and Kitchen 2 Broad Street, Newent, Gloucestershire GL18 1AH to be nominated by Newent Town Council as an Asset of Community Value.

A discussion occurred relating to learning that had occurred previously from other parishes and towns regarding assets of community value.

The council resolved by majority decision to submit an application for the Red Lion Bar and Kitchen 2 Broad Street, Newent, Gloucestershire GL18 1AH to be nominated by Newent Town Council as an Asset of Community Value.

**10. Estate Supervisors Report**

10.1 To note the Estate Supervisor's Report

The Estate Supervisor's Report was noted.

**The Chairman closed the meeting at 6.53pm**