

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Full Council of Stirchley and Brookside Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th September 2023 at 6:30pm at the Sambrook Centre, Stirchley

Present: Cllrs C Lloyd (Chair), C Turley, S Vaughan-Hodkinson, A Watkin, G Sinclair, J Loveridge, T Skidmore, T Wood, A England, T Bate In Attendance: C Maclean (Locum Clerk/RFO) Members of Public: 1

- FC/23/060 WELCOME Cllr T Wood welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- FC/23/061 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies were received from Cllrs C Addison, C Furnival.
- FC/23/062 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.
- FC/23/063 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME No points or issued raised.

FC/23/064 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC It is recommended that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they may involve the likely disclosure of exempt information in relation to any individual, as defined in paragraph 1, and/or information relating to financial or business affairs, as defined in paragraph 3, Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

It was resolved that the press and public be excluded from the meeting.

FC/23/065 HUMAN RESOURCE MATTERS

a) Staff Matter

Cllrs considered whether there may be a conflict of interest for those Cllrs previously involved in the actions that could have been seen as contributing to the matter being discussed. The Locum Clerk/RFO advised that he saw no conflict in relation to the discussions to be held at the meeting.

The Locum Clerk/RFO appraised Cllrs of the court proceedings and the reasons given by the Employment Judge in his decision against the Council.

Cllrs considered the actions and position taken by the Council since advice was notified of the claim against the Council. Cllrs agreed that lessons required to be learnt and a review would be undertaken to understand the circumstances the Council was put in and subsequent actions that resulted in the outcome being discussed at the meeting.

Cllrs considered the options available to the Council. Following detailed discussion it was agreed that the Council should not seek to appeal against the decision.

Proposed by Cllr T Bate, seconded by Cllr T Wood and it was unanimously resolved that the Council comply with the instructions of the Court and effect payment.

Cllrs considered whether there may be opportunity to seek recourse against previous advisors.

The Chair thanked everyone and declared the meeting closed at 7.26pm.

Signed..... Chair Date: 14th November 2023