

Minutes of the Meeting of  
WHITWORTH TOWN COUNCIL General Purpose Committee held on  
THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber

Chairman

Councillor G Baron

Councillors

Councillor T Aldred

Councillor L Burton

Councillor A Neal

Councillor M Whitworth

Official Clerk of the Council: Miss R Hodson

No members of public were present; no members of the press were present.

135. To receive apologies and the reasons for absence.

Apologies were received in advance of the meeting from Councillors Chorlton who was moving house, Olaolu who was unwell, Whitehead who had another commitment, Rhodes who was stuck in traffic, Royds who had a family emergency, Smith who had a meeting at Rossendale Borough Council and Powell who was working.

136. To receive any Declarations of Interest.

None.

137. To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024, and to approve them by signature of the Chairman as a correct record.

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024, copies of which had been circulated to each member, were correct and should be approved by the signature of the Chairman as a correct record. This was moved by Councillor Neal and seconded by Councillor Whitworth.

138. Public Question Time.

None.

139. Planning Applications for consideration and comment:

None.

140. To undertake a two-year review of the Information and Data Protection Policy.

It was resolved that council accept and adopt the Information and Data Protection Policy. This was moved by Councillor Whitworth and seconded by Councillor Burton.

141. To undertake a two-year review of the Internet and Email Acceptable Use Policy.

It was resolved that council accept and adopt the Internet and Email Acceptable Use Policy. This was moved by Councillor Whitworth and seconded by Councillor Burton.

142. To discuss providing a comment to Lancashire County Council on the proposal to introduce a prohibition of waiting in the following lengths of road:

- a) Thorneylea, Whitworth, the northeast side, from its junction with the centreline of Market Street for a distance of 29 metres in a south easterly direction.

It was resolved that Council thank LCC for these proposals and support the above proposal. This was moved by Councillor Burton and seconded by Councillor Neal.

- b) Thorneylea, Whitworth, the southwest side, from its junction with the centreline of Market Street for a distance of 16 metres in a south easterly direction.

It was resolved that Council thank LCC for these proposals and support the above proposal. This was moved by Councillor Burton and seconded by Councillor Neal.

143. To discuss a donation application received from Valley Thai Boxing, using section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972. discuss Christmas bonuses.

Councillors discussed this. It was resolved that Council approve a donation to Valley Thai Boxing of £200. This was moved by Councillor Whitworth and seconded by Councillor Burton.

144. To receive reports from delegates and representatives to outside organisations (for information only).

Councillor Neal updated members on upcoming NALC meetings.

Councillor Whitworth updated members of a flood prototype developed by Angle Recycling.

Councillor Baron stated that he had plans to liaise with Whitworth Leisure Centre CIC regarding their upcoming improvement works.

145. To receive and, if appropriate, adopt the financial statement presented by the Clerk.

It was resolved that Council receive and adopt the financial statement presented by the clerk. This was moved by Councillor Neal and seconded by Councillor Whitworth.

146. To authorise the signing of orders for payment: schedule 9, 2024-2025.

The clerk explained the Schedule of Accounts Payable in the form of Report 9, 2024-2025 and asked for approval. It was resolved that approval be given for the Schedule of Accounts payments. This was moved by Councillor Whitworth and seconded by Councillor Neal.

147. To carry out the Internal Audit.

Members carried out an internal audit of bank statements; invoices and Schedule of Accounts Payable; balances against bank statements and receipts and petty cash. All was found to be in order.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8pm.