MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 23rd JANUARY 2023

391. PRESENT : Councillors Mrs S. Walley (Mayor), Mrs E. Whitehouse (Deputy Mayor), C. Chell, R. N. Wood, G. Bentley, D. Wilson, I. W. Plant, A.D.J. Thomas, N. A. Wood, M. Staton, S. A. Ellis, Mrs. P Upton, P. Keeling, P. Routledge, R. Locker, Mrs K. Mills, and B. Charlesworth

392. APOLOGIES: Councillor, D. Ottley, Mrs. E Haines, R. Talbot and G. Powell.

393. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor P. Keeling declared an interest on items relating to Cheadle in Bloom, and any Budget considerations for that group.

Councillor P.Upton declared an interest in any items relating to Team Cheadle as she is a Member, and any Budget considerations for that group.

Councillors I. Plant declared interests on items relating to Cheadle in Bloom, Team Cheadle and any Budget considerations for those groups.

394. SECTION 33 DISPENSATION REQUESTS

None.

395. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION – MR ENOCH CLEWES

Mr Clewes addressed Council and made a passionate request for the addition of care facilities in the town, stating that there is very little provision for Community Care in Cheadle, despite the apparent need for it. Mr Clewes passed on his own experiences of this shortfall, stating that a family member had been required to re-locate out of the town due to a lack of facilities. He confirmed that previous access to such facilities in Cheadle had not been replaced and asked Councillors to work towards solutions to this. Cllr R. Locker and Cllr R. N. Wood spoke about the care facilities that had previously been available in the town, and called on Councillors to look into the inadequacy within the town and act on it. Councillors agreed that the matter should go onto a related meeting and bought back to Council with some proposals.

Denise Wheat, on behalf of the Girlguiding Threapwood Division, asked for Council support with a Climate Change Event that was taking place at the Cheadle Guildhall on Sunday 5th March 2023 between 2pm and 5pm. She asked if representatives of Cheadle in Bloom, Friends of Cecilly Brook, the Allotment Association and Fairtrade could be invited to this event.

PCSO Jim Moffatt provided a local Police report and confirmed that a significant number of warrants had been executed across the Staffordshire Moorlands, including 8 in Cheadle under the Misuse of Drugs Act. He further stated that there had been a rising number of fuel thefts in the area, and made Councillors aware of some Anti-Social behaviour on the main car park during cleaning times of the public toilets. He stated that there would be a number of speed cameras deployed in and around Cheadle over the coming months.

396. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 19th DECEMBER 2022 INCLUDING CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS.

The Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 19th December 2022, including its Confidential Items were approved and confirmed as a correct record.

397. CLERKS REPORT – NEW FORMAT FOR COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Clerk stated that Full Council would now receive a report from Committee's, as opposed to the previous structure that put forward minutes for ratification. This was to comply with Audit recommendations in terms of the approval of decisions taken by the Council. The Clerk stated that the report would contain 'Resolved Items' which the respective Committee's had agreed under their terms of reference, 'Recommendations for Full Council Approval' for decisions outside the terms of reference, and 'Action Plan' for keeping all Councillors informed on matters being progressed. The Clerk stated that it may take a little time for Councillors to become accustomed with the new format, however it would benefit the Council going forward in terms of Audit and progress. Councillors agreed to receive the report, and feed back any issues to the Clerk.

398. REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 9th JANUARY 2023.

Councillor A. D. J. Thomas MOVED consideration of the REPORT.

The REPORT was ADOPTED and there were no recommendations for approval.

399. VOID

400. REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th JANUARY 2023.

Councillor M. Staton MOVED consideration of the REPORT.

THE REPORT was ADOPTED and approval was given to the recommendations of the Committee.

401. REPORT OF THE LEISURE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 12th JANUARY 2023.

Cllr Mrs K. Mills MOVED consideration of the REPORT.

THE REPORT was ADOPTED and approval was given to the recommendations of the Committee.

402. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES.

Cllr Mrs P. Upton passed on the thanks of from the Cheadle Guildhall Committee for the recent grant approved by the Council. She also updated Councillors on the ongoing situation with the former Royal Oak Hotel, saying that the recent Friends of the Royal Oak meeting had been well attended. Cllr Upton confirmed that the outcome of the appeal would be known by the end of January, and that contact with Mr Gough (owner) would be made thereafter.

403. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Councillor Mrs S. Walley informed Councillors that a working party of the Staffing Committee were working on the latest Standing Orders, and ensuring that they were fit for purpose. Once the review was complete, they would come to Full Council via the Staffing Committee. She confirmed that the Mayors Charity Quiz would be on Friday 10th February.

There being no further business the meeting was brought to a close.

Signed…….

Confidential Items

Full Council

404. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS FOR ALL COMMITTEES AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

Minute 376 – Approved delegated responsibility to the Clerks to negotiate and approve best deal for Electricity and Gas supply.
Minute 377 – Report Accepted
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Minute 388 – Approved the three year City Illuminations Christmas Lights quote
Minute 389 – Approved the SMDC Pest Control Contract for 2022/23
Minute 390 – Approved payment to George Plant for Stonework

There being no further business the meeting was brought to a close.

Signed…….