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MINUTES OF ALFRETON TOWN COUNCIL

FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON

TUESDAY 21st FEBRUARY 2023 AT 7PM IN ROOM 1

Present:

Town Mayor: Councillor J Walker

Councillors: M Bennett, G Dolman, J Gdula, M Kerry, S Marshall-Clarke, A Richardson, S Walker, K Wood

Staff: T Crookes Town Clerk

# **MEETING OF ALFRETON TOWN COUNCIL**

## 183/22 To receive apologies for absence

**RESOLVED**

Apologies were received and approved from Councillors;

G Dolman (work commitment), H Jowett-Frost (Personal), C Robinson (Personal)

## 184/22 To receive any declarations of interest from Members

There were none

## 185/22 Recording and Filming of Council and Committee Meetings

The right to record, film and to broadcast meetings of the council and committees is established following the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014. This is in addition to the rights of the press and public to attend such meetings. Meetings or parts of the meetings from which the press and public are excluded may not be filmed or recorded. Members of the public are permitted to film or record meetings to which they are permitted access, in a non-disruptive manner.

a. For the purposes of minute taking an Officer will record the meeting audially and delete the files once the draft minutes have been produced.

## 186/22 Public Participation

There were none

## 187/22 To consider any items which should be taken in exclusion of the press and public

There were none

## 188/22 To hear from a representative of Derbyshire Police should one be available

PCSO Ben Lievesley attended the meeting. An update was given on ASBO issues in the town centre along with other ongoing concerns

1. To hear from Members regarding Alfreton Police Station

**RESOLVED**

Concerns were raised regarding the new police station facility in the town

1. That the Officers write to the PCC and Chief Constable regarding;
2. Total spend in Alfreton on closing the police station, the new facility on Hall Street and the new facility on New Street
3. No information at the entrance to the building for people attending in person
4. PCC publicity regarding the opening of the station was misleading

## 189/22 To read and consider the Minutes of the Meeting of Alfreton Town Council held on Tuesday 24th January 2024 copies have been circulated to each Member with the summons to attend the meeting; the Minutes may be taken as read.

**RESOLVED**

The minutes were read

## 190/22 After consideration to approve the signature of the Meeting Minutes of Tuesday 24th January 2024 by the person presiding as a correct record

**RESOLVED**

The minutes were approved as a correct record

## 191/22 To dispose of business, if any, remaining from the last meeting

There is none

## 192/22 To receive and consider reports and minutes of committees and working groups

1. Notes of the meeting held with Alfreton Football Club 12th January 2023 to approve

**RESOLVED**

The notes of the meeting were approved

1. To receive the minutes of the Events Committee 26th January 2023

**RESOLVED**

The minutes were noted

1. To receive the minutes of the Regeneration Committee 26th January 2023

**RESOLVED**

The minutes were noted

## 193/22 To receive and consider additional agenda items in the order in which they have been notified.

1. To receive an updated budget for the financial year 2023/2024

**RESOLVED**

That the revised details are approved as the correct precept figures

1. To receive a report on staff Continual Personal Development

**RESOLVED**

1. That the Town Clerk completes this qualification with the financial costs met by the Council. £6500.00 over 2 years. From the Training Budget (£4000.00 2023/24 and the same for 2024/25)
2. That a Training Agreement is completed, to repay costs if the employee leaves within a 2 year timescale
3. That Principal or Fellowship membership is applied for when the criteria has been met, up to £85.00 per annum
4. To receive a report on Christmas Lights

**RESOLVED**

1. That members ratify the spend of £1,475.00 from the Christmas Lights Budget 2022/23 £37,465.00.
2. Spend to date £26976.52.
3. To receive a report on Allotment Training

**RESOLVED**

1. That members ratify the spend of £70.00 from the 2022/23 Training Budget £1,000.00

## 194/22 To ratify the signing of orders for payment

**RESOLVED**

The accounts were approved

To receive and approve payments for January 2023 of £26,673.51

To approve the bank reconciliation for January 2023 of £88,687.41

## 195/22 To receive reports from Members who may have attended Outside Bodies meetings

ACTS - Councillor Marlene Bennett

Alfreton & District Heritage Trust – Councillor Keith Wood

Amber Valley Access – Councillor Cheryl O’Brien

Derbyshire Unemployed Workers – Councillors Steve Marshall-Clarke & Mary Kerry

Pentrich Revolution – Councillor Keith Wood

No meetings have taken place

## 196/22 To note correspondence received

The correspondence was noted

## 197/22 To consider 4 topics for communication

**RESOLVED**

Network Rail – Public Meeting

Police Station

Police update - ASB and action

Football Club sponsorship

## 198/22 To review and approve the following policies:

**RESOLVED**

The following policies were approved

1. Fire Risk Assessment
2. New: Expenses Policy

## 199/22 To consider Planning Applications – 4 applications have been received since the last meeting:

Ref: [TRE/2023/0198](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=TRE-2023-0198)

St Martins Court, Church Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7AH

Proposal: Weeping birch in the communal garden near to no 6 advise crown reduction away from property by 2m and crown lift to 6 feet from ground level Reduce birch from over car ports leaving a 3m clearance Prune apple tree at rear of no8 by approximately 18. Sever ivy from ground level up to 2 feet from ground level and reassess in 12 months. Removal of Ivy from walls and conservatory at n0.8 Notification to Amber Valley for the Conservation Area Remove arisings from site

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Ref: [AVA/2023/0020](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2023-0020)A

2 Cowham Close, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7HG

Proposal: Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of a single storey rear extension

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Ref: [AVA/2023/0024](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2023-0024)

Granfield , Nuttall Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7AY

Proposal:Two storey rear extension

Representations have been made.

**RESOLVED**

That observations are made on the parking provisions on Nuttall Street and lack of facilities

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Ref: [AVA/2023/0034](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2023-0034)

Address: 76 King Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7DD Proposal:Change of use from beauty salon/shop to dwellinghouse

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