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MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
held on TUESDAY 16 JANUARY 2024 at 7.00pm in the Town Hall

PRESENT Cllrs Bailey (Mayor), Gilbert (Deputy Mayor), Bullen, Conway, Gordon, Green, Harris, Heaton, Hogan, Nancarrow, O'Brien, Penhale, Soanes Tremain and Young
In attendance: Christopher Drake (Town Clerk)
Cornwall Cllr Paynter
1 x public
1 x press

Prayers were read by Reverend Clancy

Council received a presentation from Dr Rebecca Magill, Lead Chartered GP Clinical Psychologist, Launceston Medical Centre, regarding the Launceston Medical Hub

2401/21 Apologies for absence
Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Lankston

2401/22 Declarations of Interest
There were no declarations of interest

2401/23 Public Representation Session
There were no public questions

2401/24 To confirm and sign the Minutes of the last meeting, previously circulated
It was **resolved** to confirm and sign the minutes previously circulated;
(i) Minutes of the Meeting of Full Council held on Tuesday 19 December 2023 at 7.00pm

2401/25 To receive and adopt the minutes of committees and sub-committees, previously circulated
It was **resolved** to receive and adopt the minutes of the following committees and sub-committees:
(i) Planning and Economic Development held on Thursday 14 December 2023 at 7.00pm

2401/26 Reports from Cornwall Councillors
Cornwall Councillor Paynter spoke about the issues caused by the late running of local bus services and also advised that the issues regarding civility in public life were discussed at the most recent meeting of Cornwall Council

Cllr Heaton said that she wanted to congratulate Cornwall Council regarding the works that had been considered at the Full Council meeting earlier that day

Cllr Bailey stated that the issue of dog fouling was being raised again at a local level and asked if enforcement was available. Cllr Conway advised that dog wardens were available and issues could be reported

ClIr Soanes asked if there were details of what the longest school journey is for a pupil.
ClIr Conway stated that he would seek the details

2401/27 Reports and Questions from Town Councillors

ClIr Harris provided an update regarding the town CCTV and advised that the equipment was now ten years old and would need to be updated and that there is a need for more CCTV operators

ClIr Heaton advised that a new Police Inspector was now in post and they were keen to attend Community Area Partnership meetings as well as Full Council meetings. ClIr Heaton also advised that Okehampton police station enquiry office was now open

ClIr Young advised that she had represented the Town Council at the funeral of former Town Councillor Jim Edwards

ClIr O'Brien provided an update regarding the role out of Emergency Plan support to surrounding towns and sought agreement from the Council that this be extended to local parishes. This was **agreed**

2401/28 Report from the Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor

The Mayor provided an update on the Mayoral and Deputy Mayor's activities

2401/29 Report from the Town Clerk

Members considered Report 02/24 concerning the above (previously circulated)
It was **resolved** that;

- i) the decision of the Library, Arts, Business and Information Committee for the Council's continued support of the Safer Greener Streets project be ratified
- ii) the update regarding the work and events provided by the library be noted
- iii) the update regarding the Library Hub Design tenders be noted and site visits be agreed for all councillors
- iv) it be agreed that officers investigate the benefits and potential costs of using HR Software
- v) it be noted that the Grounds Maintenance Team vacancy will be advertised from week commencing 15 January
- vi) the short term use of temporary agency staff to assist with the Council's stewarding requirements be noted
- vii) the monthly RAG report be noted

2401/30 Council Policies Update

It was **resolved** that the Operational and Financial Risk Assessment be approved

2401/31 Correspondence and Matters to Note

It was **resolved** to note the venue usage

2401/32 Urgent Items

- i) It was agreed that a letter of support be sent regarding the Launceston Medical Hub

Date of the next meeting of the Council

The next Full Council meeting will be and Extraordinary Meeting to be held on Tuesday 30 January 2024

The meeting ended at 8.23pm

Signed Date