

Lowestoft Town Council
Extraordinary Meeting of the Budget and Loan Sub-Committee
First Floor, Hamilton House, Battery Green Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR32 1DE
12:30pm on Monday 5 December 2022

Minutes

Present: Cllrs Wendy Brooks (Deputy Chair), Alan Green (Chair) and Andy Pearce.

In Attendance: James Cox (Finance and Information Officer - FIO), Shona Bendix (Town Clerk) and Chris Meek(Office Administrator)

142. Welcome.

The fire evacuation procedure and public right to report were explained and the meeting was welcomed.

143. To receive and consider approval of apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Youngman, Barker and Parker with reasons provided. Cllr Pearce proposed acceptance; seconded by Cllr Green; all in favour.

144. Declarations of Interests and dispensations

144.1. To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests from councillors on items on the Agenda

Cllr Pearce declared that he had no interests on the main agenda but if any were to arise throughout this meeting. He would declare them.

144.2. To consider written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and note dispensations granted

There were none recorded.

145. To consider the draft minutes of the meeting on 8 November, 15 November, 18 November, 22 November and 29 November.

The committee members agreed to defer this until the next meeting.

146. Public forum.

An opportunity for the public to make comments on any matters on this agenda, and to consider any advance comments from the public.

No comments were received.

147. To review the 2022 – 2023 Lowestoft Town Council Budget and reserves (some aspects may be confidential).

The committee members had no comments to make on this agenda item.

148. To review the 2023 – 2024 Lowestoft Town Council Budget and reserves (some aspects may be confidential).

Cllr Pearce proposed to move the meeting into confidential session; Cllr Brooks seconded; all in favour.

A confidential discussion took place regarding grounds maintenance for the 2023-2024 budget.

149. Date of the next meeting

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The committee agreed that the next meeting would be on Monday 12 December 2022 at 12:30midday.

150. Items for the next Agenda and Close.

The committee asked if particular attention could be made to the Grounds Maintenance contract and 2023/2024 Budget/Reserves at the next meeting.

151. To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the Meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, namely any legal issues relating to the matters on this agenda.

The chair closed the meeting at 14.20pm.

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