



Minutes of an extra-ordinary meeting of the Town Council held on 31 January 2023 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, East Street, Wareham at 7.00pm.

Members Present: Councillors M Russell (Mayor), C Turner (Deputy Mayor), D Budd, M Cotton, B Dean, B Ezzard, H Goodinge, Z Gover, K Green, V Green, M Humphries, S Kemp.

Officers present: N Gray, Town Clerk and RFO, Dr G Pettifer, Deputy Clerk

568. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr D Cleaton, Cllr K Critchley and Cllr L Kirk.

569. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

570. Public participation time

There were no members of the public present.

571. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

The Mayor noted the additional word “map” in minute no. 554 and that Carey should not have an “s” at the end in minute no.556.

It was **RESOLVED** that subject to the above amendments the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 24 January 2023 were approved and would be signed by the Mayor following the meeting.

572. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

There were no matters arising.

573. Any other items the Mayor deems urgent

There were no items deemed urgent.

574. Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Town Council was scheduled to be held on Tuesday 7 March 2023 at 7pm.

575. Confidential session

Resolved: That under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the nature of the business to be transacted.

576. Confidential staffing update

The Clerk provided Council with a confidential update on the staffing matters which had recently concluded, and the future staffing provisions being made.

It was **RESOLVED** that there would be a letter of thanks and apology from the Mayor to staff.

It was **RESOLVED** to give a public vote of thanks to the Clerk for the hard work she had done during her first six months in post.

Mayor..... Date.....