Stone Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting held in St Michael's Suite at the Frank Jordan Centre, Lichfield Street, Stone, on Tuesday 7 March 2023

PRESENT: Councillor J. Powell in the Chair and Councillors: J. Davies, J. Hickling, Mrs J. Hood, T. Kelt, R. Kenney, C. Thornicroft and R. Townsend

Officers: L. Trigg and Mrs T. Williams

ABSENT: Councillors: K. Argyle, A. Best, Mrs A. Burgess, Mrs L. Davies, Mrs K. Dawson, I. Fordham, M. Green, M. Hatton, P. Leason and S. Walley

Before the meeting began Councillor Mrs Jill Hood led prayers.

C23/096 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors: K. Argyle, A. Best, Mrs L. Davies, Mrs K. Dawson, I. Fordham, M. Green and S. Walley

C23/097 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None received

C23/098 <u>Representations from Members of the Public</u>

None

C23/099 Minutes

RESOLVED:

a) That the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 14 February 2023 (Minute Numbers C23/085 – C23/095, be approved as a correct record.

C23/100 <u>Committee Minutes</u>

RESOLVED:

a) The minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 7 February 2023 (Minute Numbers GP23/148 – GP23/171), were noted.

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b) The minutes of the Planning Consultative Committee meeting held on 14 February 2023 (Minute Numbers PC23/055 – PC23/060), were noted.

C23/101 Civic Announcements

The Civic Announcements, which had been previously circulated, were noted.

C23/102 Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's Reports of Engagements

The Town Mayor's and Deputy Town Mayor's reports of engagements, which had been previously circulated, were noted.

The Town Mayor drew the Committee's attention to the Service of Commemoration held at Christ Church to mark the 80th Anniversary of the death of Flight Lieutenant Richard Noel Stubbs DFC DFM RAFVR.

He said that it had been a wonderful afternoon remembering a true hero of Stone who was a very brave young man and professional beyond his years. The opportunity to meet a descendant/member of his family had also been very good.

The Town Mayor thanked the organisers for providing the opportunity to remember a Stone resident who had done something exceptional. He suggested that anyone wishing to find out the full story should contact Councillor Jim Davies.

The meeting was temporarily suspended and then reconvened after the public session of the General Purposes Committee, and the Planning Consultative Committee meetings had taken place.

C23/103 To resolve, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting whilst the next items of business are discussed on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the debate.

RESOLVED: To exclude the Press and Public from the next item of business.

C23/104 Confidential Committee Minutes

a) The confidential Minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 7 February 2023, Minute Numbers GP23/148, GP23/169 and GP23/170 and GP23/171 were noted.

TOWN MAYOR

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