

DEVIZES TOWN COUNCIL
13th October 2022
Assembly Room, The Town Hall, Devizes

Councillors:	Bridewell	Stevens	Brown
	Burton	Britten	East
	Gay	Corbett	Giraud-Saunders
	Greenwood	Geddes	Hoult
	Hunter	Hopkins	Oliver
	Ormerod	Nash	Rose

Officers: Simon Fisher –Town Clerk
Elanor Oddy – Office Manager

Members of the Public: Six

239. MINUTES

The minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 9th June 2022, having previously been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

240. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Pennington and Wooldridge

241. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Wallis declared an interest in 249, as chair of the Devizes Development Partnership, which has lobbied for CIL fund towards the Gateway Station development project in the past, but this did not reflect on any decision he may make at this meeting.

242. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

243. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 15

None.

244. MINUTES OF MEETINGS FOR INFORMATION

The committee noted the list of meetings whose minutes have been signed, held since the last meeting of the Council.

245. PROCEDURE: SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO 5

It was proposed by Councillor Giraud-Saunders, seconded by Councillor Oliver and
RESOLVED

THAT For the purposes of dealing with the remaining items on the agenda, Standing Order No 5 (Members to stand when speaking) be suspended.

246. FOR INFORMATION – NOTICE OF INTERIM CONCLUSION OF AUDIT 2021/2022

The committee noted the report

247. FOR DECISION – UPDATE ON THE WORK OF SHAMBLES 2 WORKING PARTY

It was proposed by Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Wallis and
RESOLVED

THAT the Council agrees the approach being taken by Shambles 2 working group and that it is brought back to C&CR on 21st January 2023. The committee accepts the Shambles 1 recommendation for the extractor fan.

248. FOR INFORMATION – UPDATE ON THE WORK OF THE SHAMBLES 3 WORKING PARTY

The committee noted the report

249. FOR DECISION – ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

It was proposed by Councillor Wallis and seconded by Councillor Oliver and it was
UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

THAT the Council:-

- acknowledge the CIL funds
- that a working party looks at the CIL money and reports rapidly back to Full Council
- Officers are tasked with investigating the possibility of ring fencing the CIL money for forthcoming projects
- Officers investigate LHFIG

250. FOR DECISION – TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR SUPPORT TOWARDS THE ASSIZE COURT PROJECT

It was proposed by Councillor Gay, seconded by Councillor Hoult and
RESOLVED

THAT the committee provide a letter of support to the Assize Court and provide financial support of £50,000.

251. REPORT FOR DECISION – DRAFT ESTIMATES 2023/2024

It was proposed by Councillor Corbett, seconded by Councillor Wallis and
RESOLVED

THAT the committee agree the draft estimates but with the following amendments;

- £4K is to be made available for a direct grant to the Citizens Advice Bureau,
 - £2K is to be set aside for the Coronation event in May 2023,
 - The budget for youth work is increased by £10K to £20k,
 - The Shambles upgrade budget is to remain at £50K,
 - The budget for the Corn Exchange and Town Hall roof repairs is increased by £10K to £20K,
 - £10k is to be allocated to works towards the Crammer, and
 - £4K is to be allocated for officer-led capital projects.
- In addition, the Council agreed that £10K should to be removed from the Splashpad project.

252. COMMON SEAL

It was proposed by Councillor Gay, seconded by Councillor Ormerod and agreed

THAT the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to or the Town Clerk do sign on behalf of the Council where appropriate any Orders, Deeds or Documents necessary to give effect to any of the matters and recommendations contained in the reports received and adopted at this meeting or other decisions of the Council thereat.

253. QUESTION TIME

Councillor Greenwood advised of a stall holder in the market place who had felt intimidated by a group of people. Councillor Greenwood wanted to know if Wiltshire Council can press for Market Place policing.

The Town Clerk advised that although the behaviour is not ideal the police have no powers as there are no criminal activities occurring. The police and councillors have met to discuss a Public Order Protection Order, but Wiltshire Council resources are stretched to deal with the matter. The matter will be raised as an agenda item at C & CR. Councillor Hunter asked for part of the agenda to be for the Crime Commissioner to support.

254. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Traders from the Shambles addressed the committee and asked why the community fridge did not have to be moved for the scan of the Shambles to take place. The Town Clerk advised that the engineer had advised that he did not require it to be moved, but that the matter would be clarified.

CHAIRMAN