

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the **COUNCIL** held at Ludlow Methodist Church, Broad Street, Ludlow, on **WEDNESDAY 16th JUNE 2021** at **7.00 PM**.

FC/045 PRESENT

Chairman: Councillor Pote

Councillors: Adams; Boddington; Garner; Gill; Ginger; Jones; Lyle;

O'Neill; Parry; Perks; and Tapley.

Officers: Gina Wilding, Town Clerk

Naomi Brotherton, Senior Admin Assistant

FC/046 HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the Full Council meeting, and requested that in the event of a fire alarm, everyone was to leave in an orderly fashion by the main exit at the front of the building. In the unlikely event that this route is blocked, to leave through the rear fire exit, and through the side entrance. For the public upstairs, fire exits could be found at the front and at the back. The assembly point is outside on the pavement away from the front of the building.

FC/047 RECORDING OF MEETINGS

The Mayor notified those present that under the Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014, recording and broadcasting is permitted during public session of Council Meetings. The act of recording and broadcasting must not interfere with the meeting.

The Council understands that some members of the public may not wish to be recorded and asked that they make this known at this point in the meeting.

FC/048 APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

FC/049 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None declared.

Conflicts of Interest

Member	Item	Reason

Cllr Parry Chair – Ludlow in Bloom

Cllr Perks 8 SC/125-SC/136 abstaining on vote

Personal Interests

<u>Member</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Cllr Adams	9c	Knows one candidate
Cllr Boddington	9c	Knows four candidates
Cllr Garner	9c	Knows at least one candidate
Cllr Ginger	9c	Knows at least one candidate
Cllr Jones	9c	Knows two candidates
Cllr Lyle	9c	Knows two candidates
Cllr O'Neill	9c	Knowns one of the candidates
Cllr Perks	9c	Knows three of the candidates
Cllr Pote	9c	Knows three of the candidates

FC/050 PUBLIC OPEN SESSION (15 minutes)

There was one member of the public present.

FC/051 UNITARY COUNCILLORS SESSION

<u>Cllr Viv Parry, Ludlow South</u> – Councillor Parry reported that SALC had issued a bulletin encouraging Mayors and Deputy Mayors to become involved in the 2022 national tree planting initiative to celebrate the Queen's platinum jubilee.

She added that Council had resolved to plant a tree on Sidney Road Town Green to commemorate those who lost their lives to COVID-19 but that this was only one tree.

<u>Cllr Andy Boddington, Ludlow North</u> – was present, but had no update at this time.

FC/052 MINUTES – FULL COUNCIL 24th MAY 2021

RESOLVED (unanimous) PA/TG

To approve the open and closed minutes of Full Council held on Monday 24th May 2021 as a correct record.

FC/053 ITEMS TO ACTION – 24th MAY 2021

RESOLVED (11:0:1) RP/TG

That the Items to Action be noted.

FC/054 CO-OPTIONS PROCESS

The Mayor welcomed the co-option candidates to the meeting.

He read the co-option procedure, and explained the majority voting process to the councillors present.

The Mayor emphasised that to comply with COVID-19 it would need to be a ballot with a show of hands, rather than the traditional paper ballot, as staff would not be able to walk around distributing or collecting paper ballots.

He stated that candidates had indicated on their co-option application which wards they wished to stand for but could before a ballot state additional preferences if they wished.

FC/055 CANDIDATE PRESENTATIONS & CO-OPTIONS

The candidates, namely Miss L Angell-Thorpe, Dr D Crampton-Thompson, Mr J Durnall, Mr J Smithers and Mrs B Waite, were invited to speak for three minutes each.

CLEE VIEW WARD - VACANCY 1

The candidates to be include for Clee View vacancy 1 were named as:

Miss L Angell-Thorpe, Dr D Crampton-Thompson, Mr J Durnall, Mr J Smithers and Mrs B Waite

Clee View 1 – Round 1	No of Votes
Miss L Angell-Thorpe	Three
Dr D Crampton-Thompson	Four
Mr J Durnall	None
Mr J Smithers	One
Mrs B Waite	Four

Mr Durnall had the lowest amount of votes and was excluded from the round two.

Clee View 1 – Round 2	No of Votes
Miss L Angell-Thorpe	Three
Dr D Crampton-Thompson	Three
Mr J Smithers	One
Mrs B Waite	Five

With the lowest amount of votes Mr Smithers was excluded from round three.

Clee View 1 – Round 3	No of Votes
Miss L Angell-Thorpe	Four
Dr D Crampton-Thompson	Three
Mrs B Waite	Five

With the lowest amount of votes Dr Crampton-Thompson was excluded from the round four.

Clee View 1 – Round 4	No of Votes
Miss L Angell-Thorpe	Five
Mrs B Waite	Seven

Mrs B Waite was co-opted as Councillor for Clee View Ward Vacancy 1.

CLEE VIEW WARD - VACANCY 2

Clee View 2 – Round 1	No of Votes
Miss L Angell-Thorpe	Six

Dr D Crampton-Thompson	Six (Casting vote)
Mr J Durnall	Zero
Mr J Smithers	Zero

The Mayor used his casting vote for Dr D Crampton-Thompson was co-opted as Councillor for Clee View Ward Vacancy 2.

HAYTON WARD

The remaining three candidates confirmed they wished to stand for Hayton Ward.

Hayton – Round 1	No of Votes
Miss L Angell-Thorpe	Ten
Mr J Durnall	Zero
Mr J Smithers	Two

Miss Angell-Thorpe was co-opted as Councillor for Hayton Ward.

The Mayor thanked all the candidates for standing for co-option and congratulated the new Councillors to office. He invited those unsuccessful to stand again for the new term, or in the event a vacancy should arise.

FC/056 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The three co-opted Councillors signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office which was witnessed and countersigned by the Town Clerk.

FC/057 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP FOR THE NEW CO-OPTED COUNCILLORS

The Mayor invited Chairs to give a short outline of the work of their Committees.

He then invited the newly co-opted Councillors to become members.

RESOLVED (unanimous) RJ/GP

That the newly co-opted Councillors become Members of the following Committees:-

Representational Committee – Cllrs Angell-Thorpe, Crampton-Thompson and Waite

Services Committee – Cllrs Angell-Thorpe and Waite Staffing Committee – Cllr Waite

FC/058 REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED (14:1:0) GG/PA

That the Ludlow Area Advisory Committee (LCAAC) Representatives are the Chair and Vice-Chair (when elected) of the Representational Committee.

FC/059 RESOLVED (11:4:0) TG/RP

That with the exception of the LCAAC (above) there is one Council Representative per organisation/body.

FC/060 RESOLVED (unanimous) EG/GG

That a decision is deferred until organisations have confirmed they still require a Town Council Representative at their meetings.

FC/061 ANNUAL TOWN RESIDENTS MEETING - CHANGE OF DATE

RESOLVED (unanimous) RP/SO

That the date of the Annual Town Residents Meeting is changed from the 21st June to the 28th June 2021.

FC/062 <u>COMMITTEE MINUTES - REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE – 28th MAY</u> 2021

RESOLVED (12:0:3) GG/RJ

That the minutes of the Representational Committee meeting held on the 28th May 2021, be received.

The meeting closed at 8:06 pm.		
Town Mayor	Date	

NB Closed session minutes will NOT be issued.