



ATTLEBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Attleborough Town Council Held on Monday, 17 February 2020 at 6.00 pm in the Town Hall

Present:

Cllr T Crouch - presiding
Cllr B Bulmer Cllr A Busk Cllr B Cousins Cllr V Dale
Cllr J Ellis Cllr L Grave Cllr P Leslie Cllr W Loades
Cllr K Montague Cllr D Redmond Cllr J Roper Cllr T Taylor
Cllr A Westby

In attendance – Nicholas Hancox, Solicitor (Legal Advisor and Minute Taker)
Miles Hubbard, Unite
Dist. Cllr T Ashby and Dist. Cllr K Martin, County Cllr R Oliver
Approximately 60 x Public

The Town Mayor opened the meeting at 6pm in his capacity as Chairman.

116.19) Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

117.19) Declarations of Interest

- a) To receive and consider declarations of interest in items below – None received.
b) To receive and consider dispensations in respect of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – None received.

118.19): To Exclude the Press and the Public

Pursuant to section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, it was PROPOSED and SECONDED that the Council exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of items 4, 5 and 6 because publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

A Recorded Vote was ordered.

There voted in favour of the Motion: Councillors Bulmer, Busk, Cousins, Crouch, Loads, Montague, Redmond, and Roper (i.e. eight members voted in favour).

There voted against the Motion: Councillors Dale, Ellis, Grave, Leslie, Taylor and Westby (i.e. six Members voted against).

So, it was **RESOLVED: to exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of items 4, 5 and 6, because publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.**

The Town Mayor asked all members of the public to leave, but they all remained in the room. A number of Police Officers were present and a Police Sergeant asked the members of the public to depart, but they still remained.

While the Town Mayor and the Solicitor were discussing the situation with the Police in a foyer, a majority of those Members of the Council still present decided that the Meeting must be adjourned *sine die* (to a day yet to be fixed).

It was RESOLVED accordingly.

The Council Meeting was thus adjourned at 6:55 pm on 17 February 2020, to resume on another day.