MINUTES OF A MEETING OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON 2 AUGUST 2023

PRESENT: Councillors Chowns, Harvey, Howells, Hughes, l'Anson (Chair)

and Morris

IN ATTENDANCE: Angela Price – Town Clerk

C59. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bradford

and Sinclair.

C60. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor l'Anson declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 5 and beyond and advised that she would take no part in the meeting

beyond this item.

C61. TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON 13

AUGUST 2020 AS A CORRECT RECORD

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of Full Council held on 13 July 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record, subject to the following amendments:

- Two spelling errors in the heading of the minutes:
 - "Miutes" should read "Minutes"
 - "Extraordiary" should read "Extraordinary"

The Mayor handed the meeting over to Councillor Chowns as Deputy Mayor and took no further part in the proceedings.

C62. TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM CO-OPTION CANDIDATES

Candidates were advised that they would be asked to give a short presentation of no more than five minutes, following which Members may have questions for them. They were advised that they would be required to step out of the meeting whilst each candidate gave their presentation.

Each candidate provided a brief presentation, following which Members asked some questions.

Following each presentation candidates were advised that the meeting would go into confidential session to allow Members to discuss each of the candidates.

C63. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

RESOLVED: that in accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, in the public interest the press and public were excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

C64. TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR CO-OPTION

Members discussed each co-option candidate prior to returning to the public session to vote.

C65. REOPENING OF PUBLIC SESSION

Members of the public were invited back to the meeting along with all four candidates.

C66. TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR CO-OPTION

Nominations were requested for the following candidates:

- a. Julian l'Anson Nominated by Councillor Hughes the nomination was not seconded and therefore Mr l'Anson was not co-opted
- Stephen Furlonger Nominated by Councillor Harvey and seconded by Councillor Hughes – outcome of vote – unanimous
- c. John Newsham Nominated by Councillor Chowns and seconded by Councillor Harvey outcome of vote unanimous
- d. Donald McAll Nominated by Councillor Howells and seconded by Councillor Hughes outcome of vote four in favour and one abstention

RESOLVED:

- 1. That due to not having received a seconder to the nomination Julian l'Anson not be co-opted to Ledbury Town Council.
- 2. That the following be co-opted to Ledbury Town Council:

- a. Stephen Furlonger
- b. John Newsham
- c. Donald McAll

The Deputy Mayor welcomed the new Councillors to Ledbury Town Council and the Clerk asked them to sign their Declaration of Acceptance of Office form following the meeting.

C67. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED:

That it be noted that the next ordinary meeting of Full Council is scheduled for 3 August 2023 at 7.00pm, at the Burgage Hall, Church Lane, Ledbury, noting that there will be a presentation from Hills Ford 3 shires Rally at 6.30 pm

The meeting ended at 8.05 p	m
Signed(Chairman)	Date