

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Working Practices Committee Wednesday 14 June 2023 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Steve Thomas (Vice Chairman) Craig Gale, Ken Peters and Sarah Wilson.

#### In attendance:

G Burt, Clerk to the Council

## 14/23 Chairman's Announcements.

The Chairman advised that Cllrs wishing to speak should raise their hand and speak loudly and clearly.

## 15/23 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Roy Margetts and Doug Waller - prior commitments. On the proposal of Cllr Steve Thomas, seconded by Cllr Sarah Wilson, **RESOLVED** to accept the apologies and reasons given.

# 16/23 To Receive Declarations of Interest and Notification of Changes to Members' Interests.

The Clerk declared a personal interest in Minute 22/23.

### 17/23 Public Session.

None.

# 18/23 Approval of the Minutes of the Working Practices Committee meeting held on 15 February 2023, previously circulated.

On the proposal of Cllr Steve Thomas, seconded by Cllr Craig Gale, **RESOLVED** that the minutes be accepted and signed as a correct record accordingly.

### 19/23 Matters Arising.

It was noted that the Council had resolved not to adopt the Respect & Civility Pledge.

## 20/23 Exclusion of Press & Public.

On the proposal of Cllr Sarah Wilson, seconded by Cllr Ken Peters, **RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (staffing), the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

## 21/23 Reports for noting.

Members received reports on the new Neighbourhood Warden accommodation, End of Year Reviews and Pay Multiple information on the website (1:2.11). NOTED. Members

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would be interested in considering at a future meeting, the possibility of taking on additional support in the Parish Office / Centre.

The Clerk left the room.

22/23 Complaint about Member of Staff

A complaint had been received about a member of staff. The Committee considered the matter in the light of the appropriate policy and **RESOLVED** accordingly. Supporting papers and details of resolution to be placed on the said person's file.

The Clerk re-entered the room.

23/23 Any other matters for information only. None.

24/23 Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 13 September 2023.

Meeting closed at 8.32pm.

**Chairman** Date