

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE BANQUETING SUITES,  
SHOTTON HALL, PETERLEE ON MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2021 AT 6.30PM

PRESENT: R MOORE (CHAIR)

Mesdames:- K Liddell, A Stockport, K Duffy, S. Simpson, M. McCue

Messrs:- D. Hawley, B. Fishwick, M. Sanderson, T. Duffy

**Due to the absence of both the Chair and Vice Chair, the Town Clerk opened the meeting by seeking nominations for Chair. Councillor R Moore was nominated by Councillor T Duffy and seconded by Councillor K Liddell. No other nominations were received and it was RESOLVED that R Moore Chair the meeting.**

**The Chairman advised Members of the committee that part of the meeting may be recorded by both audio and video, and it may be that photographs were taken.**

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been submitted and accepted from Councillors K Hawley, G Johnson, D Howarth, M A Cartwright, D Quinn, S Meikle and A Laing.

**RESOLVED the Council approve the reason submitted for absence received from the Councillors listed, and their apologies for absence be recorded.**

2. To receive declarations of interest

Members were reminded of the need to disclose any interests in items on this agenda, whether pecuniary or otherwise.

**Councillor's T. Duffy and K. Duffy had declared their interest in item 5 'Leisure Gardens Policy', to the Town Clerk via email prior to the meeting.**

3. To Approve the Minutes of the Last Meeting a copy of which had been circulated to each Member were approved.

4. The Impact of Covid on the Council's Sport and Wellbeing Service

Members received a presentation from the Council's Sports and Wellbeing Manager providing a summary of some of the Town Council's Sports & Wellbeing activities during the COVID pandemic and

5. Leisure Gardens Policy

Members were asked to consider and provide feedback on a draft Leisure Gardens Policy that had been developed in line with recommendations from Internal Audit. Following consideration by the Committee, a number of revisions were suggested to be made to the Policy.

**AGREED Town Clerk to liaise with Councillor T Duffy to make the agreed revisions to the Policy, after which the revised version would be issued to gardeners from the Council's two sites for feedback prior to final consideration by the Council later this year.**