

PETERLEE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE BRANDLING SUITE, SHOTTON HALL, PETERLEE

ON MONDAY 16TH JANUARY 2023 at 6.30PM

PRESENT:- COUN K HAWLEY (CHAIR)

Councillors M McCue, S Simpson, R Moore, F Black, K Duffy, B Fishwick, M A Cartwright & M Sanderson

13. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were offered to the meeting and accepted from Councillors D Quinn, D Hawley, A E Laing, K Liddell, T Duffy, D Howarth & S McDonnell.

14. To receive declarations of interest

Members were reminded of the need to disclose any interests in items on this agenda, whether pecuniary or otherwise. **RESOLVED the information given, be noted.**

15. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED the minutes of the previous meeting of the Resources Committee held on Monday 14th November 2022 be approved as a true and correct record.

16. Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED in view of the confidential nature of the matter to be discussed, the committee pass the formal resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the following item, pursuant to s.1, Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960

17. Peterlee 75

Members received a presentation from the Town Clerk on proposals for a program of community events and activities to mark Peterlee's 75th anniversary, in partnership with East Durham Trust, East Durham Creates, East Durham College, the Apollo Pavilion CIC and Durham County Council. The Clerk asked Members to agree and confirm the next steps which were:-

- (i) For the Clerk to continue with the development of the Heritage Lottery funding bid with the main partner organisations;
- (ii) The Events Working Party consider the PTC events in more detail prior to submission to Council for approval;

RESOLVED the information provided be noted and approval be given for the Town Clerk to progress with the Heritage Lottery bid and next steps necessary to arrange the Peterlee 75 programme.

At the conclusion of this item the meeting was reopened to the press and public.

18. Peterlee Town Council draft budget and precept demand 2023/24

Members received a report from the Town Clerk with an update on the outline draft budget for the 2023/24 financial year and sought the Committee's agreement of a provisional precept figure subject to ratification by Council on 30th January 2023.

RESOLVED Members note the contents of this report and to:

- (i) **Recommend to Council that the 2023/24 precept be set at £1,606,537.05 which is equivalent to an increase in individual Band A households' council tax of £26.42 for the year or 51p per week (13%)**
- (ii) **Recommend to Council that the 2023/4 charges for general council services and activities be increased by a target amount of 15%**

19. Replacement of water softener – The Pavilion Sports & Community Centre

Members received a report from the Pavilion Centre Manager requesting approval for the purchase of a new water softener for the centre.

RESOLVED approval be given to the award of contract to NE Water Softeners Ltd of Hartlepool, for the supply and installation of a Kinetico CP210 sOD duplex unit at a total cost of £3,878.92 + VAT