



## SHAFTESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

# Extraordinary Full Council

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Council held in the Council Chamber, High Street, Shaftesbury Dorset SP7 8LY on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016, commencing at 7.00pm.

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### Members Present:

Councillor R Tippins (Chair)  
Councillor Francis (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor K Tippins

Councillor Proctor  
Councillor Brown  
Councillor Taylor

### Officers Present:

None

5 members of the public

## MINUTES

### Public Participation

Members of the public were invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Council or to raise any issues of concern. The following matters were raised;

- Parish Meeting minutes – request for minutes of the parish meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2016.
- Governance - Concern regarding contact made by councillors directly. Enquiring of the status of the group of nine councillors. Concern about the inclusion of a property developer as a member of the Planning and Highways Committee.
- Freedom of Information – enquiring of the remit of the FOI Working Group and why it had been disbanded.
- Town Clerk Recruitment – enquiry regarding the position of the recruitment of Town Clerk.
- Public Budget Meeting – request that the Council held a public budget meeting.
- Extraordinary Council Meeting – enquiry regarding the status of a meeting called for 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 2016.
- Confidential Business - concern that agenda item relating to the Cattle Market and Persimmons/Open Spaces should not be conducted under Confidential Session.
- Committee and Group Membership - enquiry regarding the council re-electing membership of the Neighbourhood Planning group. Enquiry regarding the legality of re-electing standing committee membership.

The Chairman, Cllr R Tippins confirmed that Cllr K Tippins will write the minutes and no other councillor had volunteered. The chair also confirmed that the meeting was being filmed and recorded to validate the minutes. It was confirmed to the public that no officers, including Mr Randle the Locum Town Clerk, were able to make the Extraordinary Full Council meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

**FC116 Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Jackson due to work commitments, and from Councillor Perkins due to work, Councillor Todd due to illness, no apologies were received from Councillor Austin. Councillor Lewer apologies for non-attendance where outlined in an email submitted to officers.

Councillors Taylor, Proctor and Brown left the meeting. The meeting was declared inquorate and was closed at 7:20 pm.

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Signed

Date