

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting on Tuesday 12th December 2023 at 7 pm
Held in the Council Chamber, Shaftesbury Town Hall

Members Summoned and Present: Councillors Edwyn-Jones (Chair), Hollingshead (Vice Chair), Brown, Chase, Cook, Hall (arrived at 7.05pm), Lewer, Proctor and Tippins

Absent: Cllrs Loader, Wild and Yeo

Officers Present: Brie Logan (Town Clerk), Sybille Maddock (Assistant Town Clerk)

In attendance: Press (1), Members of the public (24) and online (1)

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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.

- Query on STC opinion of road closure of Shaftesbury Road, Gillingham. Gillingham Town Council voted to object. The road closure was noted at the Planning & Highways meeting 6th December. It was agreed to add this item to the Full Council agenda for 19th December for discussion.
- Persimmon A30 planning application – it was confirmed this was an agenda item on the December Planning & Highways meeting
- Sustainable Shaftesbury Action Plan offers various ideas where STC can provide significant influence.
- Encouragement to adopt SS Plan
- Request to adopt SS Plan, it deserves full support. STC are the local champions and should lead by example.

The meeting commenced at 7.13pm.

FC95 Apologies

Officer report 1223EFC1 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to accept apologies from Cllr Wild.

Proposed by Cllr Hollingshead		
Seconded by Cllr Lewer		
In Favour	9	Cllrs Edwyn-Jones, Hollingshead, Brown, Chase, Cook, Hall, Lewer, Proctor and Tippins
Against	0	
Abstentions	0	
MOTION CARRIED		

FC96 Declarations of Interest

Officer report 1223EFC2 was received. It was **NOTED** that Councillors should declare any interests if they arise.

FC97 To consider adopting the Sustainable Shaftesbury Policy & Action Masterplan 2023–2031

The Chairman thanked the working group and councillors for their hard work on this plan.

Officer report 1223EFC3 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to defer this item until after a councillors only working group meeting, to discuss the plan further, has taken place.

Proposed by Cllr Edwyn-Jones		
Seconded by Cllr Tippins		
In Favour	5	Cllrs Edwyn-Jones, Brown, Chase, Proctor and Tippins
Against	4	Cllrs Hollingshead, Hall, Cook and Lewer
Abstentions		
MOTION CARRIED		

Action: Town Clerk

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:39 pm.

These minutes were adopted on 19th December 2023 under minute reference FC100 as a true record of the decisions taken and are duly signed below by the chair of that meeting.