# Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Northallerton Town Council held at 2.30pm on Saturday 10th April in the Town Hall

Present: Cllr D Richardson (Mayor), Cllr P Cornfoot, Cllr P Eames, Cllr C Hutson, Cllr J Hutson, Cllr J

Prest and Cllr C Young.

Also Present: One member of the public and Alexandra Little, Locum Clerk.

A minute's silence was held in honour of HRH The Prince Phillip, Duke of Edinburgh.

## EO1004/01 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr P Atkin with the following statement:

"By virtue of the fact that the meeting is being held before the 7th May 2021 and does not provide any facilities for attendance other than in person and is contrary to current YLCA advice I have thereby been excluded from attending at a full meeting of Northallerton Town Council and henceby have been excluded from performing my properly elected duties as a representative of the residents of Northallerton".

Apologies were also received from Cllr G Cullen.

These apologies were discussed and accepted by vote 4/3 in favour, however, Cllr Richardson asked for it to be noted that he does not consider that any councillors have been excluded from this meeting, as the Town Hall is a COVID safe working environment.

# **EO1004/02 To Note any Declarations of Interest**

No Declarations of Interests or Dispensation Requests received.

#### EO1004/03 To review Northallerton Town Council's use of Committees

EO1004/03 (i) It was resolved to reinstate the Staffing Committee

**EO1004/03 (ii)** It was confirmed that Staffing Committee Members are as follows: Cllr D Richardson (Mayor), Cllr P Cornfoot, Cllr C Hutson, Cllr J Hutson and Cllr C Young and Terms of Reference remain as adopted.

**EO1004/03 (iii)** It was resolved to reinstate the Finance & General Purpose Committee **EO1004/03 (iv)** It was confirmed that Finance & General Purpose Committee Members are as follows: Cllr D Richardson (Mayor), Cllr P Cornfoot, Cllr P Eames, Cllr C Hutson, Cllr J Hutson and Cllr C Young and Terms of Reference remain as adopted.

EO1004/03 (v) It was resolved to form a Litigation Committee

**EO1004/03 (vi)** It was resolved that Litigation Committee Members will be Cllr D Richardson (Mayor), Cllr P Cornfoot, Cllr P Eames, Cllr J Hutson and Cllr J Prest.

# EO1004/04

It was resolved to exclude members of the press and public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.

The member of the public present left the meeting.

## EO1004/05 To agree Terms of Reference for the Litigation Committee

Cllr Richardson again reiterated the need for absolute confidentiality regarding this matter to ensure safeguarding of public funds.

It was resolved that Terms of Reference for the Litigation Committee be agreed

### **Date of Next Meeting**

This will be an Ordinary Meeting on Monday 26th April 2021 at 7.00pm.