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**MINUTES OF A FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 6.30 P.M. IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cllrs: A Lowe, P Ainsley, C. Nix, J Hall, S Wadsworth, L Chatfield,

C Clark, H Williams Cllr S Pryer (arrived 6.39pm)

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** K. Geraghty (Deputy Clerk).

Cllr Lowe opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

**09/24–01 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCES:**

**09/24–02 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS’ INTERESTS AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION:** Reminder to Members to disclose either a Pecuniary Interest or Other Interest in any item on the agenda. The clerk cannot advise members on this. Members are personally responsible for declaring an interest. Members are respectfully advised to read the Code of Conduct for more information. Councillors are also responsible for ensuring that their Registers of Interests are up to date (within 28 days of any changes) None.

**09/24–03 DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** An opportunity for members of the public to speak in accordance with Standing Orders. None.

**09/24–04 UPDATE FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR:** Meeting Suspended 18.36pm Cllr Ramsey Ross spoke about the local plan and the memorial hospital, also flooding report.

Meeting Resumed 18.39pm.

**09/24–05 MINUTES:** To confirm the accuracy of the minutes from the meeting held on 7th August 2024.Proposed by Cllr Ainsley, seconder Cllr Nix carried. 5 abstained due to not being at the meeting

**09/24–06 COUNCILLOR’S QUESTIONS:** Cllr Wadsworth requested more help for the events next year. Cllr Ainsley did represent Oakham Town Council on Merchant Navy Day at the Castle for raising of the flag.

**09/24-07 CHAIRMANS/CLERKS REPORT:** Skate Park in Cutts Close is being inspected by Playscape.

The historic LONG ROW sign is going to be repainted with the approval of the building owner.

We are having new notices for the play areas in our parks.

**09/24-08 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:**

Magical Lantern Walk on the 9th November 2024 agreed.

**09/24-09 BANK STATEMENTS:** To consider and approve the bank statements for June 2024.

9.1 Rialtas bank reconciliation

9.2 HSBC Current account

9.3 HSBC Deposit account

9.4 Year to date spend

Proposer Cllr Clark that the accounts are accepted, seconder Cllr Ainsley, carried.

**09/24-10 IT SUPPORT & TELEPHONE PROVISION:**

IT support contract, method of support, backup by Millenium. Proposer Cllr Ainsley, seconder Cllr Nix, carried.

### 09/24-11 PLAYAREA REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE:

The council authorises repairs as per the quotes from Playscape for the medium risk jobs to be actioned.

Proposer Cllr Williams, seconder Cllr Hall, carried.

### 09/24-12 REFURBISHMENT OF CHURCH STREET TOILETS:

### Church Street toilets information have been delayed due to unforeseen circumstances. Updates on the R & P.

**09/24-13 WEB SITE UPGRADE & REBRANDING:**

Allow funds to be available for Welland upgrading Oakham Town website.

Proposer Cllr Ainsley, seconder Cllr Clark, carried.

**09/24-14 BARLEYTHORPE REPESENTATION:**

Contact the monitor officer at RCC to see if its vacant can we co-opt.

Proposer Cllr Williams, seconder Cllr Ainsley, carried.

**09/24-15 CO-OPTION OF TOWN COUNCILLORS:**

Campaign of recruitment ½ page in the paper, FB, Nub News, Notice Boards, press release from the office.

Selection committee: Cllr Ainsley, Cllr Wadsworth, Cllr Clark, Cllr Nix & Cllr Williams.

**09/24-16 MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PRIVATE:** No public in the chamber.

**09/24-17 STAFFING RECOMMENDATION PUT TO COUNCIL:**

Proposer Cllr Ainsley, seconder Cllr Hall, carried.

**Meeting Finished 19.40pm**

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS: 9th October 2024**

Signed………………………………………………….. Date………………….