

SOUTHBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council meeting of Southborough Town Council held on **Thursday 29th June 2023 at 7.00 p.m.** at the Southborough Civic Centre, 137 London Road Southborough, KENT TN4 0NA.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Hill (Chair), Reeves (Deputy Chair), Bridges, Bullion, Dury, Elliott, Figgett, D Francis, J Francis, I Kinghorn, O Kinghorn, Lewis, Poile, and Stewart.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Tracy Kelly (Town Clerk) Paul Gosling (Finance Officer)

1. APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Opara – Family commitments
Cllr Wharton – health reasons

2. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS - None declared.

3. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION – No Public or Press were present.

4. MINUTES – The minutes of the Full Council meetings held on the 27 April, 18 May 2023 and the Extraordinary Full Council held on 26 May 2023 were **AGREED** and signed as a correct record with the following amendments to the Annual Town Meeting held on 27 April 2023 Pg3 Mrs Prance be removed from the SHDOFA representatives and Cllr Joe Opara added. That Cllr Elliott be removed from the NPWG and Cllr I Kinghorn be added.

5. COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

Members **APPROVED** the proceedings of the following committees: -

Planning and Transportation	03 April & 05 June 2023
Open Spaces and Environment Committee	06 June 2023
Finance and General Purposes	22 June 2023

6. TOWN MAYOR'S ENGAGEMENTS – Members **NOTED** the Mayors Engagements

7. CO-OPTION – Members **AGREED** to the going ahead of advertising for the vacancy in the West Ward which had been uncontested in the recent elections

8. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

It is proposed that during the consideration of the following items the public and press shall be temporarily excluded (Standing Order 3 (c)): -

“Meetings shall be open to the public unless their presence is prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons. The public’s exclusion from part or all of a meeting shall be by a resolution which shall give reasons for the public’s exclusion.”

These items are considered confidential for the following reason(s)
Information relating to the financial and personnel affairs of the Council.

- a) **Confidential Council and Committee Proceedings** – Members **APPROVED** the following confidential minutes: -

Full Council Meeting	27 April, 18 & 26 May 2023
Open Spaces and Environment Committee	06 June 2023
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- b) **Ride on Mower** – Members **AGREED** to the provision of a new ride on mower as selected by the Head Grounds Person.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.30 p.m.

CHAIR