

KNOWSLEY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

An extraordinary Meeting of the Knowsley Town Council was held on Thursday 29 October 2020 via Zoom, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillors: J Donnelly (Mayor of the Town Council), D J Baum, V Boateng (Co-opted Member), B Donnelly, K Gregory, N Joseph, L O'Keeffe, C Milne, M Seed, I Smith, B Thompson,

Officers: Jane Thomas (Acting Clerk of the Council)
Sandra Mayers (Locum Clerk)

Apologies: Cllr L Tomlinson (Deputy Mayor, of the Town Council),

43. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

No questions were received from members of the public.

44. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received from members.

45. Financial Impact, Government Job Support Scheme

Members considered a report of the Locum Clerk in relation to the Government (open) Job Support Scheme. The scheme would allow the Council to claim 61,67% of staff hours not worked. The reduction of hours is due to the impact of the lack of hiring at both of the Councils facilities.

Following consideration, it was **RESOLVED** that the manual staff currently working 35 hours would have their hours reduced by 35% and this will be applied to 25 hours. Members also agreed to make up any shortfall in staff salaries due to the reduction in hours.

46. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 16 July 2020 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Mayor.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Minutes of an Extraordinary Town Council Meeting held on 20 August 2020 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Mayor.

47. MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEES

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Human Resources Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 5 August 2020 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 13 August 2020 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 16 September 2020 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the General Purposes and Community Grant Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 14 October 2020 be agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

48. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

The Mayor asked members to discuss any ideas they have with him over the next coming weeks for the local community over the Christmas period.

49. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE ACTING CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

The Acting Clerk made the following announcements:

MILL LANE RECREATION GROUND

Members were informed that a local junior football team are interested in hiring the ground for use for as their home ground.

It was agreed that the Acting Clerk would obtain more information /costings and liaise with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the committee relating to information she had obtained and members would be updated accordingly.

FLOOD LIGHTING, MUGA KNOWSLEY VILLAGE

Members were informed that the Town Council were granted planning permission back in 1998 for the floodlights to be used. The Acting Clerk is waiting for confirmation that the Floodlight are operational and will inform members of the Committee accordingly.

50. PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS

The following planning applications were considered by members:

20/00342/FUL, 20/00362TCA , 20/00376/OUT , 20/00365/TEL , 20/00407/FUL ,
20/00496/FUL, 20/00511/FUL , 20/00466/FUL ,20/00527/FUL ,20/00447/FUL,
19/00647/NMA, 20/00572/TEL.

Following consideration, it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that members had no objections to the above planning applications.

51. FINANCIAL MATTERS (JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2020)

The Acting Clerk of the Council provided members with detailed information relating to the financial matters for the period July to September 2020 .

Following discussion, it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that:

- a. Payments made during the period July to September 2020 be approved.
- b. Income received during the period July to September 2020 be approved.

52. CHRISTMAS 2020/NEW YEAR 2021 - CLOSURE

Following discussion by members it was **AGREED** that: The Acting Clerk would find out all the user groups final session for Christmas and discuss the findings with the Mayor of the Council.

**The meeting closed
at 9.10 p.m.**

Dated: 29 October 2020

Signed
Cllr J Donnelly
Mayor of the Town Council