PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL

An EXTRA-ORDINARY meeting of the FINANCE, GENERAL PURPOSE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE for the TOWN OF PRESCOT was held on FRIDAY 5TH MARCH 2021 via ZOOM, commencing at 1.00 P.M.

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors M. Burke, I. Smith, L. Rigby, C. Krelle, G. Wickens, T. Smith, T. Murray and J. Burke.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

D. Wilson (Town Clerk)
L. Sephton (Deputy Town Clerk)

30. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

There were no apologies received.

31. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Declarations of interest were received for Item 3 – Community Food Partnership from the following members: Cllrs J. Burke, T. Murray, T. Smith, G. Wickens and M. Burke.

The following members were placed in the Zoom waiting room: Cllrs J. Burke, T. Murray, T. Smith, G. Wickens and M. Burke.

32. COMMUNITY FOOD PARTNERSHIP

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations at 4.1 being:

In accordance with the Town Council's Charging Policy, Members are asked to

 Approve the request from the Friends of Eaton Street Park and instruct the Town Clerk to support with necessary risk assessments and method statements.

The following members were returned to the Zoom meeting: Cllrs J. Burke, T. Murray, T. Smith, G. Wickens and M. Burke.

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33. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE TENDER ACCEPTANCE

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations at 4.1 being:

In accordance with the powers granted under the Open Spaces Act 1906, Members are asked to

 Appoint Knowsley MBC on a five-year basis with a probationary period of one year, and that the Town Clerk work with KMBC to finalise the contract particulars.

A motion was put forward and agreed that a clause be included in the contract that if the lease agreement was to be terminated by KMBC the maintenance contract would cease with immediate effect and a commitment from KMBC that the break clause within the lease agreement is removed within 6 months of the first year of the maintenance contract.

34. <u>EXTERNAL FUNDING APPLICATION</u>

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations at 4.1 being:

In accordance with the committee's terms of reference Members are asked to

• Approve the commitment of £5,000 from reserves towards the purchase of van, in the event that the funding application attached as appendix 1 is successful.

The recommendation was approved with the following amendment, that in the event that the funding application is successful that the matter will be referred to Council along with a full cost analysis.

The meeting closed at 1.49 p.m.

Dated: