

## **CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL**

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## Minutes of the **Staffing Sub-Committee** held in Chipping Norton Town Hall on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>** March at 9:30am

The following members were present: Cllr Steve Akers (Chair) Cllr Sandra Coleman Cllr Jo Graves Cllr Ian Finney

Also in attendance: Luci Ashbourne, Town Clerk and CEO

| SSC21 | Apologies for absence.   |
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|       | Apologies were received from Cllr Cahill.  |
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| SSC22 | Declarations of interest   |
|       | There were no declarations.  |
| SSC23 | Minutes  |
| 55025 | <b>RESOLVED:</b> That the minutes of the meeting held on 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 are approved as a                                    |
|       | correct record and signed by the Chair at the next available opportunity.  |
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|       | Members noted the confidential appendix to support these minutes.  |
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| SSC24 | Confidential Session   |
|       | <b>RESOLVED:</b> In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and  |
|       | public be excluded from the meeting in accordance with the provisions of s.1 of the Public Bodies  |
|       | (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.  |
| SSC25 | Staffing matters   |
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|       | a. Members received a confidential report regarding staffing matters. Following the last   |
|       | meeting, members received a draft job description, person specification and salary scale for   |
|       | the role of admin and customer service assistant (as recommended I the LGRC organisational review) and a cost proposal, including overheads. |
|       | organisational review) and a cost proposal, including overheads.   |
|       | Cllr Akers proposed that the job description , person spec and salary scale are approved, seconded by  |
|       | Cllr Finney. All in favour, motion carried.  |
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|       | <b>RESOLVED:</b> That a recommendation is sent to the next Full Council meeting that the Council   |
|       | approve the role of Admin and Customer Service Assistant to be employed for 22.5 hours a week on   |
|       | salary scale SCP 7-12 £14,773 - £16,067 pro rata.  |
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|       | b. Members received and reviewed the staff handbook.   |
|       | Cllr Finney noted some grammatical corrections. It was agreed that these should be   |
|       | updated. The Clerk noted that she is working through standardising all policies (not just HR)  |
|       | so they are formatted in a uniform way.  |
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|       | <b>RESOLVED:</b> That the staff handbook has been reviewed and the new version will be circulated to all staff. Next review April 2027.  |
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|       | c. Members received a verbal update from the Town Clerk regarding the role evaluation being carried out by Local Council Consultancy. Members were informed that the consultant had completed the task and felt that it as very straightforward and did not feel the need to meet with Councillors from their perspective, but that they were happy to if the sub-ctte felt it helpful. Members felt it would be helpful and nominated the Chair Cllr Steve Akers to meet with the consultant. |
|       | <b>RESOLVED:</b> That the Clerk put Cllr Akers in touch with Local Council Consultancy ahead of the report being finalised.  |
| SSC26 | Date of next meeting.<br>To be confirmed.  |

The meeting closed at 10:20am.

Signed as an accurate record

Chair.....

Date.....