

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Town Council held on 03 March 2025 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, East Street, Wareham at 7.00pm.

Members Present: Councillors M Cotton (Mayor), Z Gover (Deputy Mayor), D Budd, D Cleaton, K Critchley, A Dallimore, B Dean, S Dean, V Green, M Hill, L Kirk, D Robinson and S Wheatley.

Officers present: N Gray, Town Clerk & RFO, S Dickins, Deputy Clerk

TC 186/25 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr I Davey, Cllr R Holloway and Cllr M Tighe.

TC 187/25 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

TC 188/25 Public participation time

There were no members of the public present.

TC 189/25 Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was **RESOLVED** the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 25 February 2025 be **APPROVED** and would be signed by the Mayor following the meeting.

TC 190/25 Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr Critchley advised that the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group was confirmed as 13 March 20205 at 7pm in the Council Chamber.

TC 191/25 To Resolve to exclude members of the press and public

It was **RESOLVED** that under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the nature of the business to be transacted

TC 192/25 Museum Update

The Clerk presented the tabled confidential report which provided options available in respect of the museum development finance. Members carefully considered all options and discussed various outcomes.

It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with option 3 within the confidential report.

TC 193/25 Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Town Council was scheduled to be held at 7:30pm on 25 March 2025.

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