Minutes of the STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING of OTTERY ST MARY TOWN COUNCIL on THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023 at 4.30pm. The meeting was held in the Meeting Room at the Council Offices, OSM EX11 1BZ.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Lucas (Chair), Cllr Grainger (Mayor), Green (Vice Chair), Sneller and Kerry Kennell, CEO

S23/06/01

TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Cllr Stewart (Deputy Mayor)

S23/06/02

TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND RECEIPT OF REQUESTS FOR NEW DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS (DPIS) DISPENSATIONS FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

| Name of Councillor | Agenda Item and Interest |  |
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| Cllr Lucas         | No interests declared.   |  |
| Cllr Green         | No interests declared.   |  |
| Cllr Stewart       | No interests declared.   |  |
| Cllr Sneller       | No interests declared.   |  |

### S23/06/03

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS)
ACT 1960 (PUBLICITY WOULD BE PREJUDICIAL TO THE PUBLIC INTEREST
BY REASON OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE
TRANSACTED): TO AGREE ANY ITEMS TO BE DEALT WITH AFTER THE
PUBLIC AND PRESS HAVE BEEN EXCLUDED

It was **RESOLVED** that Agenda item 6 - To review (and make recommendations if appropriate) regarding quotations for the Council Office roof, Agenda item 7 - To consider the current property portfolio: Council Offices; Station Community Hub; Museum; Library; Strawberry Lane; Higher Ridgeway Cemetery; Allotments; Winters Lane Tennis Courts; 12 parking spaces Victoria Terrace identifying potential issues and concerns and Agenda item 8 - To consider Feasibility Report on the Station Community Hub funded by EDDC via the United Kingdom Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) will be discussed in Confidential Session.

S23/06/04

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## TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT TO SUBMIT QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES

There were none.

S23/06/05

#### TO REVIEW TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE COMMITTEE

The Terms of Reference were reviewed.

Under s.1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the council resolved to exclude the press and public from the meeting since publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

S23/06/06

## TO REVIEW (AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS IF APPROPRIATE) QUOTATIONS FRO THE COUNCIL OFFICE ROOF

It was AGREED to bring forward Agenda item 7.

S23/06/07

TO CONSIDER THE CURRENT PROPERTY PORTFOLIO: COUNCIL OFFICES; STATION COMMUNITY HUB; MUSEUM; LIBRARY; STRAWBERRY LANE; HIGHER RIDGEWAY CEMETERY; ALLOTMENTS; WINTERS LANE TENNIS COURTS; 12 PARKING SPACES VICTORIA TERRACE IDENTIFYING POTENTIAL ISSUES AND CONCERNS

This was discussed in Confidential Session and Appendix 1 applies.

S23/06/08

# TO CONSIDER FEASIBILITY REPORT ON THE STATION COMMUNITY HUB FUNDED BY EDDC VIA THE UNITED KINGDOM SHARED PROSPERITY FUND (UKSPF)

This was discussed in Confidential Session and Appendix 1 applies.

23/06/09

## TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE REGARDING THE "GUIDE TO STRATEGIC THINKING" COURSE ATTENDED BY CLLR LUCAS AND THE CEO

Cllr Lucas advised that it was a useful course which was informative about how to approach strategic planning. The course reiterated the need for a good strategy to have accountability considering barriers to projects.

23/06/10

### TO REVIEW (AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS IF APPROPRIATE) QUOTATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL OFFICE ROOF

It was RECOMMENDED that the Council Office roof is repaired and not replaced as per Quote 2.

S23/06/11

### ANY FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS FROM MEMBERS

There were none.

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### TO RECEIVE COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

There were none.

The meeting ended at 18.55.

Date of next meeting: 15th August 2023

| SIGNATURE OF CHAIR |  |
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