Minutes of the STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING of OTTERY ST MARY TOWN COUNCIL on THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> MAY 2024 at 4.00pm. The meeting was held in the Meeting Room at the Council Offices, OSM EX11 1BZ.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Lucas (Chair), Green (Vice Chair), Grainger (Mayor), Stewart (Deputy Mayor), Johns, Feasey and Kerry Kennell, Clerk

### TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

There were none.

### S24/05/02

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
Cllr Green	No interests declared.
Cllr Stewart	No interests declared.
Cllr Lucas	No interests declared.
Cllr Feasey	No interests declared.
Cllr Johns	Declared an ORI as a Fixtures Secretary of the Cricket Club and her husband is Trustee and Chair of the Cricket Club.

### S24/05/03

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 9 To consider the Council property portfolio will be discussed in Confidential session.

### S24/05/04

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

There were none.

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# TO RECEIVE THE STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF $4^{TH}$ APRIL 2024 (MINUTE REFS S24/04/02 - S24/04/10) AND TO APPROVE THE SIGNING OF THE MINUTES BY THE CHAIR AS A CORRECT RECORD

The Strategy Committee meeting minutes of 4th April 2024 minute refs S24/04/02 - S24/04/10) were reviewed and were signed by the Chair as a true record of the meeting.

### S24/05/06

TO REVIEW THE CURRENT PROJECT LIST AGAINST THE DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING WHICH PROJECTS SHOULD BE PROGRESSED, AND WHICH REQUIRE FURTHER FACT FINDING BEFORE A DECISION CAN BE MADE BY THE COUNCIL

It was **RECOMMENDED** that the following projects can be progressed: PlayZone
Quick Wins project
Stir to Action
Transport Study – Stage 2

It was AGREED that the SWOT analysis on the Neighbourhood Plan will be reviewed at the next ELDC Committee and Planning Committee meetings.

It was AGREED that the Clerk will speak to LHC regarding the town appearance element of the Quick Wins project.

### S24/05/07

# TO CONSIDER FUTURE PROJECTS AND THEIR ALIGNMENT WITH THE DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN FOR RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL

It was AGREED that clarification will be sought from EDDC regarding the total amount of S106 funding available to the parish.

It was AGREED that Cllr Stewart will contact local organisations to see if they have projects which could benefit from S106 funding.

It was AGREED that the agreement in principle made to the Allotment committee will be honoured without the need to complete a project application form.

It was AGREED that the process of assessing projects will be known as PASS – Project Analysis Strategy System.

### S24/05/08

## TO CONSIDER ANY FURTHER AMENDMENTS REQUIRED TO THE DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN

It was **RECOMMENDED** that the OSMTC Strategic Planning Guide is approved and published to the parish.

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.

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### TO CONSIDER THE COUNCIL PROPERTY PORTFOLIO

A discussion regarding the Council property portfolio took place.

It was **RECOMMENDED** that to provide stability and enable decision making there would be no changes regarding the Old Convent building for the next three years unless something significant occurs. *Cllr Stewart objected*.

It was **RESOLVED** that a SWOT analysis will be carried out for the Council Offices and the Museum.

The confidential session ended.

S24/05/10

### ANY FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS FROM MEMBERS

It was **RECOMMENDED** that other Councillors actively join other committees.

S24/05/11

### TO RECEIVE COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

There were none.

The meeting ended at 5.51pm

Date of next meeting: To be confirmed.

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