

WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON FRIDAY 21 JANUARY 2022

PRESENT:	Councillors:	Carl Powling (Mayor) John Akker Julie Baker David Bragg Sam Jarvis Robert Jenkins (Deputy Mayor) Sylvia Wargent Sophie Weaver Chris Wood
IN ATTENDANCE:	Town Clerk:	Vanessa Allen
	Borough Councillor	Pat Moore 1 member of the public

21/344 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** To receive apologies for absence

Councillor Chris Wood had advised that he would be late.

21/345 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** To receive declarations of personal, prejudicial and pecuniary interests from members relevant to items under discussion at the meeting

None received

21/346 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.** A period of up to 15 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments

A member of the public spoke on the planning application on land adjacent to the Dabchicks sailing club for a footbridge and fencing, raising concerns over areas that are part of the Village Green and of safety. They advised that signage is still in place stating that DSC have exclusive rights to the foreshore and requested that the Council intervene to ensure that all residents are entitled access to the village green rather than the footbridge.

Councillor Pat Moore

Councillor Pat Moore spoke on the planning application on land adjacent to the Dabchicks sailing club stating that it is on the village green, a public open space and the fencing should be removed.

Councillor Chris Wood arrived at the meeting.

The public left the meeting.

21/347 **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS.** To approve payments made since 5th January and payments to be made

It was RESOLVED to approve the payments made and for the invoices listed to be paid, with the exception of ELAS and to authorise Councillor Jarvis to pursue ending the contact with ELAS.

21/348 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.** To RESOLVE that due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the public and press be excluded pursuant to Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

No vote was taken as the public had already left the meeting.

21/349 **TURFING OF GRAVES.** To consider estimates and quotations to level and turf 30 grave plots in Firs Road Cemetery

It was RESOLVED to accept the Mersea Mowers quotation.

21/350 **CHANGING PLACES.** To agree and sign Victoria Esplanade Lease

Following discussion it was RESOLVED to agree the lease. Councillor Powling signed the lease.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 2.55pm