



# CHIRK TOWN COUNCIL CYNGOR TREF Y WAUN

## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD 19<sup>th</sup> MAY 2021 held virtually on-line over video /telephone conferencing

### **Present**

Cllrs. Mr Brian Colley (BC) - Chairman, Mrs Jackie Allen (JA), Mr Gareth Baines (GB),  
Mrs Sarah Williams (SW), Mrs Dorothy Griffiths (DG), Mr Mark Roberts (MR),  
Mr Terry Evans (TE), Mr Chris Burgoyne (CB), Mr Frank Hemmings (FH),  
Miss Lynne Painter (LP), Mr Newman James (NJ),

Also in attendance:

Mrs Karen Brown (KB) - Clerk to the Council,  
Mrs Rebecca Ap Gwyn (RAG) – Administration Officer

### **124. To Accept Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were presented and accepted from Cllrs Michael Maxfield, Mark Holmes and Barbara Humphreys.

### **125. To make Declarations of Interest on items on the agenda**

None.

### **126. Consider applications to fill Councillor vacancy – Chirk South Ward**

The Council noted their pleasure at receiving two expressions of interest for the vacant position.

### **127. Interview applicants**

The Council discussed how to conduct the interviews. FH proposed and NJ seconded that the Chairman would ask all the prepared questions to both candidates and there would be an opportunity for any other Councillors to ask questions at the end of each interview.

The two candidates were invited separately into the meeting to be interviewed by the Council and each left the meeting following their interview.

### **128. Consider applicants and decide by vote to co-opt person to fill the vacancy**

Overall, it was unanimously felt that these were two exceptional candidates and that it was a shame there was only one vacancy. The Council noted that it was only 12 months until the next Council elections and it was hoped that the unsuccessful candidate would consider applying again.

A ballot was held and Deborah Cooke was declared elected as a co-opted member of Chirk Town Council – South ward.

**Actions:** BC to personally telephone both candidates to inform them of the Council's decision.  
Clerk to inform Wrexham Electoral Office of the appointment.

Signed

Chairman

Date