

## PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 27 February 2023 at 7.00pm at Preesall and Knott End Youth and Community Centre

**Present**: Cllrs K Shepherd (mayor) D Irvine, S Jepson, T Johnson, J Lewin, P Orme, K Woods. Meeting opened @ 7.00pm and closed @8.10pm

**249 1.Apologies** for absence received from Cllr R Drobny Absent without apologies Cllr S Rossall

## 250 2.Declarations of interests and dispensations

Cllr T Johnson issues relating to union matters

## 251 3. Public participation

No members of the public present

## 252 4. Exclusion of the press and public

Proposed TJ Seconded KW that the council exclude press and public in order to discuss a staffing matter ie the recruitment of a replacement clerk.

Following debate and due diligence of the references provided by the applicant Proposed SJ Seconded TJ That the applicant be offered the position. The vote was unanimous in favour.

The draft contract of employment was then discussed and debated Minor amendments were made as follows

7. addition of the word 'continue'

11. grammatical improvements only, factual elements remain the same

12. The addition of quarterly appraisals during the probationary period, this to be reviewed going forward.

With these amendments Proposed SJ seconded KW that the contract be offered to the applicant. Vote was unanimous.

**253 5.** After a short discussion over starting dates and council business going forward Proposed by PO and seconded by TJ the decision was made for the March Full council meeting to be moved to the 20<sup>th</sup> march. Vote was 5 for and 2 against. In addition, a further civic events committee meeting was called to be held on 8<sup>th</sup> March @9.00am. Meeting was closed @8.10pm