



# Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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**Chair:** Councillor Bernard Arscott | **Vice Chair:** Councillor Sandra McCurdy

Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of Full Council.

The Council met at 8.18pm on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 in the Cafe, Leigh-On-Sea Community Centre, 71-73 Elm Road, Leigh-On-Sea, Essex, SS9 1SP.

At the start of the meeting the Chair, Cllr B Arscott, presented his predecessor, Mr. Keith Evans, with the Past Chair broach and thanked him for everything he had undertaken during his time on the Council. Mr. Evans expressed how much he had enjoyed being part of the Council and representing the residents and advised that he had during his time as Chair managed to raise £4,071 for the Chair's charities.

Chair: Councillor B Arscott

Vice Chair: Councillor S McCurdy

Present: Councillors Dr D Bowry, A Hart, C Mulroney, J Suttling and P Wexham.

In Attendance: The Town Clerk, Clare Milligan and 26 members of the public.

## **242/24 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received for Cllrs R Arscott, J Garston, J Lloyd and P Gilson. It was proposed to accept the apologies. Proposed by Cllr B Arscott, seconded by Cllr S McCurdy; with 4 for and 3 against the motion was passed. Cllrs C Lambert and C Watts were not in attendance.

## **243/24 Declarations of Members' Interests**

There were no declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests or Registrable Non-Pecuniary Interests.

## **244/24 Public Participation**

Various members of the public asked questions and made comments. These included:

Enquiring whether the article in the Leigh News stating that the boards for the art exhibition had been purchased was this correct. The Clerk advised this was not correct and that the funding was still sitting in the budget.

It was asked if a tick list should be produced for Councilor's to complete if they knew someone personally when putting an agenda item forward.

Cllr B Arscott thanked the public for their questions and comments.

## **245/24 Art Exhibition**

Cllr C Mulroney read out the recommended for the art exhibition from the Community and Culture Committee meeting:

1. The event be deferred to a potential date in 2025 so as not to clash with other local and major events, based on the discussions and findings of a dedicated working party which reports to this committee with full costings and all the preparatory work needed.

2. An approach be made to the Leigh Art Trail to see if there is any way that a sister event looking to have a part focus on those challenged sections of our community and school children can be run to complement their July Art Trail as sequel to it.

3. Appointment of a Working Party to look at and make recommendations for the event. The working party consists of Cllrs P Gilson, A Hart, Dr D Bowry, C Mulroney and J Suttling.

It was proposed to accept the recommendation. Proposed by Cllr C Mulroney, seconded by Cllr Dr D Bowry and agreed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.33pm