

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF ODIHAM PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE PARISH ROOM, THE BURY, ON
FRIDAY 5 MAY 2017 COMMENCING AT 7.30PM**

Present: Cllrs Hale (Chair), Bell, Faulkner, Fellows, Robinson-Giannasi, Stewart and Worboys

FULL COUNCIL

310/16 APPOINTMENT OF A CLLR TO TAKE THE MINUTES

Cllr Hale was appointed to take the minutes.

311/16 RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs David, Fleming and Harris. County Cllr Glen also sent his apologies.

312/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RELATING TO ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA

None.

313/16 PASS A RESOLUTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

It was resolved to close the meeting to the public and press.

314/16 RECEIVE THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE THE GRIEVANCE REGARDING A CLLR AND AGREEMENT ON ANY FURTHER ACTIONS THAT MAY BE REQUIRED

Cllr Worboys outlined the conflicting advice from HALC regarding who could participate in the meeting, having been named in the grievance. The Chair advised that we should take the most recent advice from the HALC Members Support officer which recommended that it would best protect the Council, for those Cllrs named in the grievance to leave the room. Cllrs Fellows and Stewart confirmed they would not leave the meeting, however would not participate in this agenda item. To allow the meeting to progress it was agreed by all Cllrs that Cllrs Fellows and Stewart could remain in the room on the basis of not participating.

It was noted that the full details of the grievance were private and confidential and could only be shared with the Chair, appointed sub-committee and HALC (with the permission of the author).

It was however also noted that the report made by the sub-committee appointed to investigate and recommend the necessary action for OPC to take regards the grievance, would be communicated to the wider Council and form a Private and Confidential appendix (Appendix 1 P&C).

Cllrs Worboys and Faulkner outlined the report made by the sub-committee. It was noted that the recommendations made had been checked with HALC who had confirmed that they were the appropriate actions to take. It was further noted that HALC had advised the Chair and appointed sub-committee throughout this process.

This report and associated recommendations were unanimously approved.

It was noted that while named in the grievance there were no actions to take with regards Cllrs Fellows and Stewart, who the grievance was not primarily aimed at.

Cllr Worboys confirmed he would communicate the outcome of the meeting to the individual who had raised the grievance.

Cllr Hale confirmed that he would communicate the outcome of the meeting to the Cllr who the grievance was aimed at and has resulting actions to implement.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm.

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