

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL, PETERLEE
ON MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2023

PRESENT: COUN K HAWLEY (CHAIR)

A Stockport, D Hawley, A Laing, K Hawley, D Howarth & S Simpson (observer)

4. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillor R Moore.

5. The Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 21st August 202

The minutes of the previous meeting are attached for consideration and approval as a true and correct record. **RESOLVED the minutes be accepted and signed as a true and correct record.**

6. The Pavilion, Helford Road

The Clerk gave the group an update on the staffing issues at the Pavilion and Shotton Hall. There was a full discussion on the Pavilion operations. It was agreed that Members needed to be clear on what the Town Council's operations were and it was asked if this could be broken down into services and understandable chunks for Members to consider at the Council Meeting the following week to support budget setting priorities and discussions. **RESOLVED this item be considered at the Council Meeting to be held on 23 October 2023.**

7. Flexible Working Policy

Members further discuss the Council's Flexible Working Policy as referred from the Council Meeting in September 2023 with the suggested amendments making reference to compressed hour being deleted. **RESOLVED this be passed to the council to approve.**

8. Working from Home Policy

Members discussed working from home and shared their feelings and feedback they had received from the public. The Clerk advised he was to consider the policy further, re draft and re submit as a Hybrid Working Policy and this was agreed as a course of action. **RESOLVED this policy be awaited.**