

PETERLEE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

HELD IN THE BRANDLING SUITE, SHOTTON HALL, PETERLEE

ON MONDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2021 at 6.30PM

PRESENT:- COUN R MOORE (CHAIR)

Mesdames:- S Simpson, K Liddell, H Stockport, J Black, D Howarth, K Duffy &
E Watson

Messrs:- S Franklin, G Johnson, B Fishwick, D Hawley, R Burnip & T Duffy

66. Apologies for Absence
Apologies for absence were offered and accepted from Councillors D Quinn, M A Cartwright & M Sanderson.
67. Public Participation Session
There were no members of the public present.
68. To receive declarations of interest
Members were reminded of the need to disclose any interests in items on this agenda, whether pecuniary or otherwise. Cllr K Liddell declared interest in item 4 on the agenda, regarding the refund request from Peterlee Helford FC U11's as her grandson played for the Team.
69. Request for refund of football pitch fees for the last season 2021-22 from Peterlee Helford FC U11's
The Town Clerk gave a summary of the report submitted to Council. All Members participated in a vote and all Members present, with the exception of Cllr K Liddell who was excluded from the vote due to declaring an interest in this item, voted to deny the request.
RESOLVED Members denied the refund request of football pitch fees.

70. To Approve the Minutes of the last meeting of the 16th August 2021
The minutes of the previous meeting were attached for consideration and approval.
RESOLVED the minutes be accepted and signed as a true and correct record.
71. Report of the Community & Environment Committee of the 13th September 2021
The minutes of the Community & Environment Meeting were attached for information.
RESOLVED the information given, be noted.
72. The notes of the Events Working Party of the 6th September 2021
The notes of the Event Working Party were attached for the information of Members.
RESOLVED the information given, be noted.
73. The notes of the Finance Sub Committee of the 27th September 2021
The notes of the Event Working Party were attached for the information of Members.
RESOLVED the information given, be noted.
74. Notice of conclusion of the External Audit
Members were given a verbal report from the Town Clerk, giving a brief overview of the audit outcome and celebrated the success of receiving an ‘unqualified’ audit, with no minor issues to address for the following financial year.

RESOLVED the notice of the conclusion of the external audit, be accepted and advertised on the councils web site.
75. COVID-19 Update
The Clerk gave a brief verbal update on the Council’s response to the COVID-19 situation.
RESOLVED the information given be noted.
76. Spokesperson of the North East Party’s Report
Councillor K Duffy congratulated Peterlee Town Council on receiving an ‘Unqualified’ rating in the external audit and Members were excited to see the plans for the Town Centre and asking MP Grahame Morris to get behind this as she felt Peterlee was the feeder Town for and will have a knock-on effect surrounding villages. **RESOLVED the information given be noted.**

77. Spokesperson of the Labour Political Party's Report
Councillor Burnip congratulated Peterlee Town Council on the outcome of the external audit. **RESOLVED the report be noted.**