

**MAGHULL TOWN COUNCIL**  
**FULL COUNCIL**  
**HELD 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**PRESENT** - Councillor Josh Burns (In the Chair) and Councillors (Cllrs): June Burns, Carlsen, Carr, Desmond, Ferguson, K Hughes, T Hughes, Lloyd, McKinley, Mullen, J Sayers and Y Sayers.

**ALSO PRESENT** – A. McIntyre (Town Clerk), A Spencer (Business Development and Contracts Manager), P. Dillon (Community Services Manager), S. Lawrence (minutes), four members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**: Apologies received from Cllr Carragher.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**: Cllr Lloyd declared a personal interest in Item 8 Maghull Cricket Club Electricity.
3. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**: None
4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**:

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of Full Council held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 were approved as a correct record.

5. **VACANCY MTC**:

**RESOLVED** that Frank Sharp be co-opted to the vacancy on East Ward of Maghull Town Council.

6. **STRATEGIC HOUSING MARKET ASSESSMENT**:

Members were informed that the Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) was being consulted upon by Sefton LPA. It had been agreed to revisit the SHMA once the Local Plan had been adopted. Key points included:

- Annual unit requirement is 645 houses which remained the same;
- Maghull and Aintree have been joined together for statistics purposes;
- These statics to feed into our Business Plan moving forward;

Key statics for Maghull and Aintree:

- 26.5% of the population 65 or over.
- 4.7% social housing
- 88% owner occupiers
- 3.3% unemployed
- 2% households overcrowded

Cllrs made the following points in response:

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- Will the Annual Unit Requirement be affected by immigration due to Brexit?
- Have considerations been given for assisted living accommodations? As this would have an impact for freeing up houses if assisted living was available in Maghull.
- Concerns regarding collating statistics for Maghull and Aintree. This could potentially provide untrue statistics.
- Maghull detailed housing needs to be fed through to Neighbourhood Plan.

**RESOLVED that:**

1. **Town Clerk to ask questions above in response to the consultation.**
2. **The report be noted**

**7. MTC BUSINESS PLAN AND CORPORATE OBJECTIVES:**

Business Plan

Town Clerk provided brief explanation of Business Plan and informed it was for comment. The objectives within the Plan would be monitored and measured against how well the Town Council performed. The priorities would be monitored by each committee and reported back to council.

Cllrs made the following points:

- Priority Two – Action 9 – Develop composting scheme for green waste. Is this just for facilities or for public? Town Clerk informed this is for facilities but Maghull may widen this to the public in the future.
- Cllr Carlsen informed the Business Plan was missing Energy/Carbon Plan and is happy to add on behalf of the council
- Introduce a low carbon programme this will strengthen up and coming bids in the future.
- Proposed extension for Business Plan. This to be sent to all Cllr's via email to make changes and brought to next Full Council for agreement.

Corporate Objectives

Amendments:

- Objective two: Prudently manage resources responsibly to ensure their use for the benefit of the local community;
- Objective six: Maintain the cultural heritage of the Town.

**RESOLVED that:**

1. **Suggested Amendments and Business Plan to be sent to Members and to be reviewed at the next available Council meeting;**
2. **The amendments to the Corporate Objectives be agreed;**
3. **The report be noted**

**8. MAGHULL CRICKET CLUB – ELECTRICITY USAGE AND COST**

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Cllr Adam Lloyd gave a detailed timeline of the electricity bill issues. Cllr Lloyd then left the Council Chamber.

Cllrs made the following points:

- It is critical the bill is paid immediately so no more charges are incurred.
- Offer of a loan from MTC to pay outstanding bill
- When bill is paid tariff can be assessed and changed by the Cricket Club
- Proposal of a working group be put together to resolve.

**RESOLVED that**

1. A loan to be paid to Cricket Club in order to clear the outstanding debt to Scottish Power;
2. Cllr Josh Burns, Cllr Carlsen and Cllr Ferguson to become the working group to investigate the issues around the electricity usage;
3. A report to be presented on the issue at the next available Council meeting;
4. The report be noted

9. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES:

**RESOLVED that the minutes of Audit and Governance Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019 and Finance and Amenities on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019 be noted**

10. REPORT ON SEFTON METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL MATTERS

No report given

11. CHAIR'S REPORT

No report given.

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CHAIRMAN  
13/8/19

