

Southwold Town Council
**Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council of Southwold,
held via Zoom at 10am Monday 9th November 2020**

PRESENT:	Councillor	I Bradbury – Town Mayor
	“	D Beavan
	“	Ms E A Betts
	“	S Flunder
	“	Mrs P Goldsmith
	“	Mrs J Jeans
	“	Ms J Jordan
	“	M Ladd
	“	M Rowan-Robinson
	“	J A Windell

Also present; 5 members of the public, and the Town Clerk.

1. **Apologies:** *To receive apologies for absence.*
There were no apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of interest:**
 - a) *To receive any declarations of Personal Interest regarding the agenda.*
There were no Declarations of Personal Interest.
 - b) *To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests regarding the agenda.*
Nil.
 - c) *To note the decision of the Town Clerk regarding requests for dispensations relating to this agenda.*
Nil.
 - d) *Councillors to be reminded of the requirement for them to individually update their Register of Interests as appropriate.*
The Town Mayor reminded members of their legal requirements to update the Register of Interest online.
3. **Minutes of Town Council meeting held Tuesday 27th October 2020**
To approve and sign the minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 27th October 2020.
On the proposal of Cllr Windell, seconded by Cllr Goldsmith it was RESOLVED by all to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 27th October 2020.
4. **Matters from members of the public in respect of the item on the agenda.**
A resident spoke about the agenda item and asked that Council consider– a) legal aspect re lockdown period, b) will be considerable delay in progress of project, c) tendering re costs of decontamination – feeling that any eviction should be delayed for several months.
The Town Mayor advised that the use of the word eviction is not appropriate as the lease expired in 2019. The Town Mayor advised the resident that he has sent a letter to the Southwold & Reydon Society which sets out the position of Southwold Town Council in detail.

Another resident advised that the answer above had pre-empted the question and that they had no further queries.

A resident advised that as they understood that i) there were decontamination delays, ii) a business review is to be conducted – it does not seem sensible to ask the garage at this time to leave.

A resident asked how many people are on the project payroll. The Town Mayor advised that Uttings are the Project Managers. A Comms position has been considered important but has not been filled at present and this is being considered by the Project Board.

5. **Exclusion of Public and Press:** Pursuant to section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it is proposed that, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press leave the meeting during consideration of the following;

On the proposal of Cllr Windell, seconded by Cllr Betts it was agreed with 8 in favour and 2 against that, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press leave the meeting during consideration of the following;

Tenant Station Road – to consider and if agreed approve recommendation contained within confidential report St Rd 9/11/2020

All members of the public left the meeting.

Proposal 1) as per confidential report St Rd 9/11/2020 considered.

Amendments were made to the original proposal, but after full discussion a revised proposal was proposed, seconded and Unanimously Agreed. (Confidential report revised to reflect decision made).

Proposal 2) as per confidential report St Rd 9/11/2020 considered.

After full discussion it was agreed with 7 in favour and 3 abstain that the Finance and Gov cttee consider the options further and report back to Council.