

Penistone Town Council

Minutes of the Extraordinary Town Council Meeting held at the Resource Centre, St John's Community Centre, Church Street, Penistone on Tuesday 05th November 2024 at 6.00 p.m.

Present: Town Mayor Mandy Lowe-Flello (Chair), Cllr. Yvette Cooper, Cllr. Jonathan Cutts, Cllr. Hannah Kitching, Cllr. James Kitching, Cllr. Matthew Nicholson, Cllr. Frances Nixon, Cllr. Jon Palmer, Cllr. Nick Perkins, Cllr. David Walker

Also present:

Nigel Bailey, Town Clerk

Elaine Miller Assistant Town Clerk

EM 2024/1 1. TO NOTE ANY APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies from Cllrs. Jason Barton, Wayne Chadburn and Claire Redmond were **NOTED**. Reasons for absence were unanimously **APPROVED**.

2024/2 2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST FROM COUNCILLORS

2.1 In accordance with Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2011 members to declare any disposable pecuniary interests in items on this agenda. In accordance with Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2011, the Chair invited declarations of interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

2.2 The Town Clerk to report any written dispensations in respect of items on this agenda.

The Clerk reported that there were no written dispensations.

2024/3 3. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC – PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS ACT) 1960.

The Councillors unanimously **AGREED** that due to the nature of the business to be transacted at item 4 being prejudicial to the public interest, it was **RESOLVED** that members of the press and public would be excluded from the meeting.

2024/4 4. TO REVIEW THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF SIMON DAVIES OF STOCKARTH PROJECT SOLUTIONS AND RESOLVE UPON THE AWARDING OF CONTRACTS FOR ASBESTOS REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF THE BOILER.

4.1 Asbestos removal contract quotations

Demex Ltd
Delta Services Ltd
Cordtape Ltd

Further to their review of the documentation and subsequent discussion, the Councillors were not minded to make a decision on the basis of the information provided. They noted that there is no clear recommendation from Stockarth Project Solutions. They also noted that the quotations contain disclaimers with regard to price variation should unanticipated work be necessary.

The Councillors asked the Clerk to obtain references from the clients of the last 3 comparable jobs undertaken by Delta Services Ltd and Cordtape Ltd. Once these are received the Clerk will assess the performance of the companies including assessment of final price against quotation, adherence to work schedule and general satisfaction of clients. All details to be communicated to the Councillors.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Clerk is authorised to instruct the project manager that the contract be awarded to the Council's preferred company.

4.2 Boiler replacment quotation

Delta Heating Solutions
FreFlo Mechanical & Electrical Services
Domino Mechanical Electrical

Further to their review of the documentation and subsequent discussion, the Councillors were not minded to make a decision on the basis of the information provided. Their view was that the quotations are not "like for like" so making a comparison is problematic; and there is no clear recommendation from Stockarth Project Solutions. They also noted that the quotations contain disclaimers with regard to price variation should unanticipated work be necessary.

The Councillors preferred the quotation from FreFlo Mechanical & Electrical Services overall. Although not the cheapest they felt the quotation was the most comprehensive and future-proof of the three. It includes the supply of 2 separate boilers which will act as backup for each other; as well as a heat exchange unit and pump should these be required.

They asked the Clerk to request a further quotation from FreFlo based on the new information that the extension will not now be built so there will be no need for extra pipework included in the original

quotation. The Clerk will also request references from the last 3 clients of FreFlo with comparable jobs, which will be assessed as described in Item 4.1 above.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Clerk is authorised to instruct the project manager that the contract be awarded to Freflo should the new quotation and the references provided be acceptable to the Council.

The Extraordinary Meeting of Penistone Town Council concluded at 7.35pm.

Signed by.....Chair 28th October 2024