# MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2014 AT 6.30PM IN THE CIVIC CENTRE



**Present:** Councillors R Claydon (Mayor), Chris Galbraith (Vice-Chairman), June Cordwell, John Cordwell, K Collins, N Clement, Clair Galbraith, P Smith, A Wilkinson (from 6.55pm)

In Attendance: Deputy Clerk, Mrs Y Milsom

## T.4598 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs P Barton, L Harris and T Luker

# T.4599 **Public Forum**

There were no members of the public present.

T.4600 **Declarations of Interest** None

#### T.4601 Exclusion of Press and Public

Under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it was proposed by Cllr Chris Galbraith, seconded by Cllr John Cordwell, to exclude members of the press and public and enter to closed session to discuss legal issues relating to land ownership. Agreed all in favour.

## T.4602 Potters Pond Developer Activities

The Chairman summarised the issues concerning Potters Pond developer activities relating to the laying of cables by Western Power Distribution (WPD) across Council land at Marchesi Walk and permissions necessary for the works. It appeared that WPD intended to continue with the work very shortly as they believe Town Council permission is not required for the works. After some discussion it was agreed that urgent legal advice should be sought. Proposed by Cllr June Cordwell, seconded by Cllr Chris Galbraith, agreed in favour with one abstention.

Cllr A Wilkinson entered the meeting

It was further agreed to appoint Mr John Penley of Winterbotham, Smith, Penley, Solicitors to act for the Council in this matter up to a maximum fee of £1000, and that authority be given to the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Town Clerk to proceed as advised by Mr Penley within this maximum fee limit. Proposed by Cllr John Cordwell, seconded by Cllr P Smith, agreed in favour with one abstention.

Meeting concluded at 7pm

| Signed:                 | Dated: |  |
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| Chairman and Town Mayor |        |  |