

Public copy of Closed Minutes of Extraordinary Finance & Scrutiny Committee

Monday 31st October 2016 at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs A Walsh (Chair), K Painter, I Maslin, S Ball, C Pearce, J Easterbrook, P Burrell, T Stevenson, J Williams, S Hirst Chief Executive Natalie Haines & Executive Officer T Niblett

FS1. 31/10 Apologies: Received by Cllrs Edge, Morgan and Lea

Cllr Walsh advised all Cllrs that this meeting had been called by the Mayor following the Full Council meeting held on Monday 24th October and in particular because of the possible breach of the code of conduct.

FS2. 31/10 Public Consultation: None

It was proposed by Cllr Ball, seconded Cllr Williams for Council to enter closed session. **Agreed.**

Exempt Information - Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 section 1 extended by the Local Government Act 1972 Section 100

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was in the opinion of this Council and advisable in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting. In addition, as the matter related in part to an employee such matters are, in accordance with Standing Orders, discussed by the Council in confidential session.

It was felt that the tone of the discussion on the 24th October should have been handled differently and not allowed to continue for as long (over 30 minutes).

The CEO believes that the member of public's comments should be investigated by the F&S committee as a separate complaint. This will take place at the F&S November meeting.

The Council were informed that closed session information had been to the public and this is just not acceptable.

If Cllrs have concerns they should follow the complaints procedure in line with TTC Standing Orders and Code of Conduct should anybody have any concerns these should be raised privately.

Following the Full Council meeting it was suggested that all Council meetings should be recorded. Cllr Stevenson had commented that she did not trust the minutes of the Full Council meetings.

Meeting closed 7.21pm

Chairman Date