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**Mission Statement**

Endeavour, through foresight and leadership, to enhance quality of life for Longridge residents and visitors.

Working to enrich facilities and nurture opportunity,

to protect and improve the built and natural environment and promote community pride.

**Minutes of the Longridge Town Council Meeting held in the Station Buildings, Longridge**

**on Wednesday 8th May 2024 at 7pm.**

**Present:**

Cllr J Rogerson (Mayor) Cllr R Ray

Cllr K Spencer Cllr R Walker

Cllr L Jameson Cllr P Smith

Cllr D Jackson Cllr Rainford

Cllr R Beacham.

Town Clerk – Gill Mason

**1106/24 Mayor's welcome.**

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**1107/24 To receive apologies.**

Cllr Stubbs.

**1108/24 Declarations of interests.**

Cllr Rogerson declared an interest in the Girl Guide Hut grant application as a trustee.

**1109/24 Public participation.**

A resident would like the town council to look into unused land to create allotments, community gardens or outdoor greenspace for children.

**1110/24 Election of Mayor for 2024/2025.**

It was resolved that Cllr Rainford be elected as Mayor.

**1111/24 Election of Deputy Mayor for 2024/2025.**

It was resolved that Cllr Jameson be elected as Deputy Mayor.

**1112/24 Minutes of council meetings held on the 10th April 2024.**

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting be approved and signed by the Mayor.

Proposed by Cllr Walker.

Seconded by Cllr Jackson.

**1113/24 Planning & licence applications.**

Consultation on the proposed diversion of part of Footpaths FP0302091 and FP0302094, and Footpath FP0302093 Longridge, Ribble Valley Borough, Highways Act 1980 Section 119.

The town council has no observations.

**1114/24 Finance**

**To authorise the following payments:**

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| **Payee** | **Description** | **Amount** | **Method** |
| Rosemary Glen | Cleaning Station Buildings | £546.02 | BACS |
| SY Maintenance | Caretaker | £169.00 | BACS |
| Terry Lewis | Gardener | £200.00 | BACS |
| British Gas | Electricity invoice | £1484.47 | DD |
| Easy Websites | Monthly payment for hosting | £96.36 | DD |
| Cathedral Hygiene | Nappy Bin waste disposal | £61.34 | DD |
| TPCS | Office line | £40.75 | BACS |
| LALC | LALC subscription | £969.56 | BACS |
| OBAS UK | Hockey club equipment | £241.78 | BACS |
| Ribble Valley BC | Waste Collection | £740.90 | BACS |
| Ribble Valley BC | Waste Collection | £291.20 | BACS |
| Zurich | Insurance | £1563.24 | BACS |

**Receipts**

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| The Old Station Café | Gas charges | £73.10 | BACS |
| LCA | Room hire | £20.00 | BACS |

It was resolved that the payments be approved.

Proposed by Cllr Rogerson.

Seconded by Cllr Beacham.

**1115/24 To consider the Girl Guiding grant application.**

The clerk will request that the trustees provide a grant amount and more detail on the project and monies required.

**1116/24 To consider the redesign of the town council’s logo.**

Cllr Spencer and Cllr Walker will work together on the design of the logo and ask a graphic designer to check the resolution quality.

**1117/24 To consider the Staffing Committees recommendations for the appointment of the new clerk.**

There were 22 applications and 6 shortlisted. Interviews will take place over the next week.

**1118/24 Reports and correspondence (information only)**

Electric and gas renewal prices.

Love Longridge request for column banners to be placed in the town .

**1119/24 Date and time of the next full council meetings.**

Wednesday 12th June 2024 at 7pm.

Wednesday 10th July 2024 at 7pm.

August – to be confirmed.

Wednesday 11th September 2024 at 7pm.

Wednesday 9th October 2024 at 7pm.

Wednesday 13th November 2024 at 7pm.

Wednesday 11th December 2024 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.

Signed …………………………………………………………………… Date …………………………………………..