Market Drayton Town Council

Minutes of an Extraordinary Council Meeting held in The Town Hall, 18 Frogmore Road, Market Drayton on Thursday 17 September 2026 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors: R. Adcock, Mrs. J. Beckett, T. Beckett, P. Glover, T. Manton (Chairman), I. Nellins and I. Sharp.

ABSENT: Councillors: R. Aldcroft, J. Blandford, A. Cartwright, G. Groves, and R. Hughes.

1 member of the public were present and 2 members of the public listening via Teams.

In Attendance: Sue Thomas, Town Clerk, and Kate Harvey, Assistant Clerk.

1.SF APOLOGIES

Members **NOTED** the following apologies:

Councillor J. Blandford	-	Prior Appointment
Councillor A. Cartwright	-	Prior Appointment
Councillor R. Hughes	-	Prior Appointment

2.SF DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS

i. No disclosable interests were declared.
ii. There were no applications for Dispensations under s33 of the Localism Act 2011 received.

3.SF PUBLIC SESSION

The Mayor welcomed the member of public to the meeting.

The resident said she wanted to raise the following concerns to the council in hope they could be actioned:

- Most of the drains are blocked within the town; she has a meeting scheduled with a County Councillor on Friday but also wanted the backing from Town Council to push for the works to be actioned.
- Children are playing football using the entrance to the town park gates as goals instead of using the goals on the green, she lives in the property next to the town parks entrance and the ball is regularly being kicked on her solar panels which have now stopped working. She asked if the green school fencing could be put along the boundary of the town park and her property to help eliminate further balls from hitting her solar panels.
- Dog mess is regularly seen on the town park.
- At a previous meeting she requested a further youth club to be set up within the town to give children an interest and keep them off the streets; she asked if this had been set up.

- Some woodwork needs attention in the alleyway between Boots and the charity shop and suggested the Men's Shed should be asked.
- Enquiries to land registry should be made to enquire who the landlords are in particular homes at Rowan Road, Mannor Gardens and Kings Avenue. She is aware of asylum seekers occupying these properties, landlords should be made aware of the recent ASB occurred. The resident offered £50 towards the fees this would incur; the Clerk refused the offer.

The resident thanked members for their time.

The Mayor thanked the resident for attending the meeting and made the following comments on the points raised:

- The blocked drains have been reported to Shropshire Council; Town Council funded a road sweeper around the town last week.
- Town Council already fund youth clubs at the Phenix Centre and at the Zone and there are various clubs and organisations young people can join within the town.
- He will speak with the Clerk regarding asking the Men's shed to help carry out some work.
- There is a national issue with asylum seekers; he advised any ASB issues should be reported to the police.

The Mayor asked if any other members would like to make a comment.

Councillor T. Beckett said he has witnessed children using the entrance of the town park as goal posts; this needs addressing.

4.C MINUTES

Councillor Glover proposed, Councillor T. Beckett seconded and it was **RESOLVED:**

To agree and adopt the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 16 July 2026.

5.C CONTRACT

Documents regarding the appointment of the Digital Online Brand as a Marketing and Town Promotion Consultant contract and Data Procession Agreement were circulated to members prior to the meeting as set out in Appendix CO066 and CO067.

The Mayor asked if there were any comments they would like to make.

No comments were raised.

Councillor Sharp proposed, Councillor Adcock seconded and it was **RESOLVED:**

To approve:

1. **The contract for Digital Online Brand as a Marketing and Town Promotion Consultant.**
2. **The Digital Online Brand Data Procession Agreement.**

The meeting concluded at 7.16 p.m.

Chairman: ..... Date: 15-10-26