

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE

Held at Axminster Guildhall at 2.45 p.m.. on Friday, 14th June 2019

PRESENT: Cllrs. A.L. Young (Chairman), C.A. Doherty, M. Mynard and M.D.G. Spurway.

Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk

0 Members of the Press

0 Members of the Public

1. APOLOGIES : Cllrs. D.J. Moore (Vice-chairman) A.E. Bourner, M. Featherstone, J.J. Farrow, D.R.H. Hull, S.L.N. Leat and J.W. Walden.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30th MAY 2019: having been approved by the Town Council these were signed.

3. PUBLIC FORUM: None.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 30TH MAY 2019: the Town Clerk said that it had been necessary to hold the interviews on 14th June, rather than 13th June as stated in the minutes, to suit the personal circumstances of one of the applicants.

5.MATTERS OF URGENCY: None.

The Mayor proposed that under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, (as amended by the Local Government Act 1972 the public, (including the press) be excluded from the meeting as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted. Cllr. Doherty seconded the proposal. Agreed.

6.CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR POST OF LENGTHSMAN: one candidate failed to turn up. The remaining candidates were good calibre applicants for the work required.

Two were eliminated from consideration as, although experienced, they lacked the paper qualifications for the work.

Of the remaining two candidates, both would require some additional training but one had more experience with outdoor work which made him the preferred candidate.

Cllr. Young proposed that the position be offered, subject to satisfactory references, to Mr. D. Bennett, and that the next most suitable candidate be asked if he was willing for his details to be kept on file. Cllr. Spurway seconded the proposal. Carried.

The Town Clerk will contact all applicants by telephone and follow the calls up with an appropriate letter.

Once the references have been scrutinised and found to be satisfactory, discussions will take place regarding a start date and training requirements and purchase of equipment including lease of a vehicle.

Signed Date