

**WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026**

In attendance:

Cllr T Webster (Mayor)	Cllr D Baker	Cllr D Boylan
Cllr N Hinderwell	Cllr S Weaver	Kirsty Wadsworth (Town Clerk)

26/52 To receive apologies for absence and a vote of acceptance to be taken

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Akker, Cllr Jenkins, Cllr Powling, and Cllr Williams.

26/53 To record declarations of interests

Members are invited to declare any relevant interests. Notwithstanding this item, Members may subsequently declare an interest at any point during the meeting

None recorded.

26/54 Public session (15 minutes, 3 minutes per speaker)

Priority will be given to those members of the public wishing to share information relating to items on the agenda. Once the public session is closed, members of the public are not permitted to speak

No MOP were present.

26/55 To confirm minutes of the Council meeting of 12th February 2026

***It was resolved*** unanimously to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting of 12th February 2026.

Proposed: Cllr Boylan, Seconded: Cllr Weaver. All in favour.

26/56 To approve the following items agreed at the Finance meeting on 16th February 2026: -

- (a) Hampshire Trust 95-day notice account
- (b) NS&I 12-month bond

***It was resolved*** unanimously to agree to open two accounts as previously agreed at the Finance meeting on 16th February 2026: -

- (a) Hampshire Trust 95-day notice account
- (b) NS&I 12-month bond

Proposed: Cllr Baker, Seconded: Cllr Hinderwell. All in favour.

26/57 To review and approve the Investment Strategy

***It was resolved*** unanimously to approve the Investment Strategy with the minor amendment.

Proposed: Cllr Hinderwell, Seconded: Cllr Webster. All in favour.

Exclusion of Press and Public

To resolve that due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the public and press be excluded pursuant to Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

26/58 To approve the proposal from the Personnel Committee to fund the back payments of employer's pension contributions in respect of a member of staff

***It was resolved*** unanimously to approve the proposal from the Personnel Committee to fund the back payments of employer's pension contributions in respect of a member of staff.

Proposed: Cllr Webster, Seconded: Cllr Hinderwell. All in favour.

Meeting closed at 12.15pm.