

MORETON, BOBBINGWORTH AND THE LAVERS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Meeting: Extraordinary Council Meeting

Date: 7 June 2023

Time: 7.30 PM

Venue: Moreton Village Hall

PRESENT:

Councillors (8): Cllr Crosbie (Chairman), Cllr Busch, Cllr Darken, Cllr Foulser,
Cllr Leverich, Cllr Offord, Cllr Padfield, Cllr Stuart

Also in Attendance (1): Gurdip Paddan – Clerk

Members of the Public: (0)

Members of the Press: (0)

PC.306 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Councillors Collins, Hall and Martin.

PC.307 OTHER ABSENCES
None.

PC.308 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
None.

PC.309 LEGAL ADVICE
The meeting was held to approve expenditure for all proper cases to take and pay for professional legal advice following letters received from Russell-Cooke LLP, Mr and Mrs Sullivan’s solicitor. (LGA 1972 s111). Members noted that two routes had been investigated. Cllr Busch had provided details of a barrister/solicitor at a cost of £1500 (Council has sought legal advice from this firm in the past) and the other route was to obtain advice via the Essex Legal Services at a cost of approximately £120 - £140 an hour (depending upon the seniority of legal officer). Members agreed to obtaining legal advice for up to the sum of £5,000. Proposed Cllr Padfield and seconded by Cllr Busch, all agreed.

Cllrs Busch and Foulser were thanked for their advice and support on this development matter.

Progress on this issue to be reported at the next meeting.

Meeting closed 7.45pm

Chairman

Date