

COWES TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance, Acquisitions & Staffing Committee Meeting held in the Dining Room, Northwood House, Cowes on Tuesday 11 November 2025 at 5.15pm.

Present: Councillors Carter (Chair), Ellis, Marriott, Nicholson, Peacey Wilcox, Rafferty & Walters.

In attendance: Councillors Dodwell, Sanders (5.20pm), Swallow, Wardrop, White (non-voting); David Gordon, Facilities and Town Manager; Kate Scragg, Deputy Town Clerk; Andrea Young, Admin Assistant.

1082 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

1083 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

1084 MINUTES RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance, Acquisitions & Staffing Committee meeting held on 28 October 2025 be taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

1085 REPLACEMENT TOWN CLERK AND RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER

The Town Council had received notification of the Town Clerk's resignation with effect from 30 November 2025. Councillors acknowledged the hard work and service given by the Town Clerk.

This item has been redacted as it is private and confidential.

It was:

RECOMMENDED

- 1. That the Town Council formally accepts the resignation of Debbie Faulkner, Town Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer, with effect from 30 November 2025, and records its gratitude for her long and valued service.**
- 2. This item has been redacted as it is private and confidential.**
- 3. This item has been redacted as it is private and confidential.**
- 4. This item has been redacted as it is private and confidential.**

The Admin Assistant left the meeting at 5.35pm.

Councillor White left the meeting at 5.44pm.

1086 REPLACEMENT DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

This item has been redacted as it is private and confidential.

1087 OTHER STAFFING MATTERS

This item has been redacted as it is private and confidential.

1088 STAFF CONCERNS

No further concerns were raised at the meeting.

1089 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE AGENDA

- Budget setting.

The proceedings terminated at 6.01pm

CHAIRMAN