

**EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 15 JANUARY 2024**

Minutes of the meeting of Layer de la Haye Parish Council
Monday 15 January 2024, Layer de la Haye Village Hall, 7pm

		PRESENT
Chair	Councillor Mrs M.A. Hughes MBE	Yes
Vice-chair	Councillor Mrs C Chambers	Yes
	Councillor Mrs S Bennett	No
	Councillor C.C. Chambers	No
	Councillor Mrs M Holmes	Yes
	Councillor Mrs S.E. Hughes	Yes
	Councillor I.P. Moore	Yes
	Councillor P.R. Pyke	Yes
	Councillor M Salmon	Yes
In attendance	Locum clerk	

- 1 24/24 **APOLOGIES** were received from Councillor Mrs S Bennett. It was agreed by all to approve this absence.
- 2 25/24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Nil
- 3 26/24 It was **RESOLVED** pursuant to s1(2) Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to close the meeting to the public and press due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, on proposal of Councillor M Salmon, seconded by Councillor P Pyke and agreed.

Councillor Mrs C Chambers and Councillor Mrs M Holmes arrived at 19.03

PERSONNEL MATTERS

- a) Correspondence was **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** relating to resignation of the clerk, currently suspended pending investigation into a data security report. It was **RESOLVED** to (1) continue the investigation; (2) pursue retrieval of all council property; (3) seek professional guidance and assistance; (4) update security of council systems to ensure business continuity - proposed by Councillor Mrs C Chambers, seconded by Councillor Mrs M Holmes and agreed.
- b) It was **RESOLVED** to appoint the new clerk, proposed by Cllr Pyke, seconded Cllr Salmon and agreed. The contract was duly signed by the chair.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.11.