

## MINUTES OF THE SPELTHORNE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting of Spelthorne Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines-upon-Thames on Tuesday, 6 June 2023 at 7.00 pm

### Present:

#### Councillors:

M. Arnold	D. Geraci	J. Button
D. Clarke	A. Gale	R. Chandler
A. McLuskey	S. Gyawali	J.T.F. Doran
H.R.D. Williams	A. Mathur	S.A. Dunn
M. Lee	B. Weerasinghe	M. Gibson
R. Geach	M. Bing Dong	K.M. Grant
T. Burrell	K. Rutherford	K. Howkins
S.M. Doran	L. Brennan	N. Islam
S.N. Beatty	M.M. Attewell	L. E. Nichols
H. Boparai	C. Bateson	O. Rybinski
M. Buck	M. Beecher	J.R. Sexton
J. Caplin	J.R. Boughtflower	

#### In Attendance

**Apologies:** Apologies were received from Councillors D. Saliagopoulos, E. Baldock, S. Bhadye and J. Turner and

#### **61/23 Disclosures of Interest**

There were no disclosures of interest.

#### **62/23 Request to Pause the Local Plan Examination Hearings**

In the absence of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor it was proposed by Councillor Rutherford and seconded by Councillor Button that Councillor Gibson chair the meeting.

Council **resolved** that Councillor Gibson would chair the meeting.

Council considered the follow motion put forward by Councillor Beecher and seconded by Councillor S Doran:

“Spelthorne Borough Council formally requests the Planning Inspector to pause the Examination Hearings into the Local Plan for a period of three (3) months to allow time for the new council to understand and review the policies and implications of the Local Plan and after the three month pause the Council will decide what actions may be necessary before the Local Plan examination may proceed.”

A named vote was requested by Councillor Boughtflower.

**For:** Councillors Arnold, Bateson, Beatty, Beecher, Bing Dong, Burrell, Button, Caplin, J Doran, S Doran, Gale, Geach, Geraci, Gibson, Grant, McLuskey, Nichols, Rutherford, Sexton, Williams – **20 votes**

**Against:** Councillors Attewell, Boughtflower, Brennan, Chandler, Clarke, Dunn, Gyawali, Howkins, Islam, Lee, Mathur, Rybinski, Weerasinghe – **13 votes**

**Abstain:** Councillor Buck – **1 vote**

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