



**Minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council Meeting  
Held at the Westgate-on-Sea Town Council Office  
78 St Mildreds Road, Westgate-on-Sea CT8 8RF  
on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7.00pm**

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**Present**

Cllr Wallin (Chair)

Cllr Veck (Vice-Chair)

Cllr King

Cllr Donaldson

Cllr Worrow

Cllr Scott

Ms. Nabila Yakub – Interim Town Clerk

**EFC/24/76 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Fenning, Cllr Mulinya, Cllr Thomason.

**EFC/24/77 Members' Interests**

The Chair invited members to declare any interests. No interests were declared.

**EFC/24/78 Council Vehicle**

The council discussed the current situation regarding the council vehicle, a 17-year-old Mercedes Sprinter in poor condition, which is at risk of failing its MOT.

Options considered included:

1. Purchasing a new utility tipper van.
2. Buying a second-hand van (£5,000–£10,000) to supplement the current vehicle.
3. Repairing the current van up to a maximum of £2,500.

The council reviewed funding options, including outright purchase, finance lease, and contract hire. After detailed discussion, it was **RESOLVED** that:

- The council will purchase a new utility tipper van outright for a maximum of £40,000 (excluding VAT).

- It was **RESOLVED** that the current van will be serviced and undergo its MOT for a maximum of £2,500. The situation will be reviewed in six months, i.e. May 2025, to determine whether the van should be scrapped, sold or retained.

Cllr King stated that he was totally against retaining the vehicle and requested that this be noted in the minutes.

**Action Items:**

1. **Service and complete MOT for the current van up to a maximum £2,500.**
2. **Purchase a new utility tipper van outright for a maximum of £40,000 (excluding VAT).**
3. **Review the status of the current van in six months.**

**EFC/24/79 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Full Council will be held on **Wednesday, 11th December 2024, at 7.00 pm.**

The meeting concluded at **7:45 pm.**

Signed: 

Date: 11/12/24