EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of East Staffordshire Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Burton upon Trent on Monday 20th February 2023.

Present:

Councillor P Hudson (Mayor) in the Chair

Councillors Mrs P L Ackroyd H Hall

G A Allen S A Hussain
Mrs B Ashcroft Mrs J Jones
E W R Barker Mrs J A Killoran

L Beech G Lamb Mrs B Brady Ms A Legg K J Builth R Lock A A Chaudhry S McGarry A Clarke S McKiernan R A Faulkner M Metcalfe M T Fitzpatrick S Sankey D F Fletcher M Shrive

D Florence-Jukes C Sylvester (Deputy Mayor)

S P Gaskin Mrs B Toon
D Goodfellow Mrs L Walker
Mrs V J Gould P Walker
R G W Grosvenor C V Whittaker
G Hall C Wileman

Officers Present:

The Chief Executive, the Heads of Service (Mark Rizk, Sal Khan and Thomas Deery), the Monitoring Officer, the Chief Accountant, the Corporate and Commercial Manager, the Digital Communications Officer, the Senior Democratic Services Officer and the Principal Democratic Services Officer.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors T Hadley and B G Peters.

291/23 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at the commencement of the meeting.

292/23 REQUEST TO CALL EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

In accordance with Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 (Part 3A section 2.4.1 of the Constitution refers), the Mayor indicated that on 19th January 2023 he had received a request to call an Extraordinary Council meeting, the request had been signed by at least five members of the Council.

The reason for the request was provided by Councillor P Walker as follows:

"Following the recent announcement last night that Burton has failed in the recent levelling up fund bid, I believe this leaves the Council in a financially precarious

situation. I also believe that the Leader should give us an explanation as soon as possible what this means to the Town and the plans".

The Mayor indicated that he would allow Council to debate the item.

The Leader of the Council responded to questions raised.

Mayor