6th December 2018

Minutes of the proceedings of the CIVIC COMMITTEE meeting held on this day in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, WOKINGHAM from 10.00am to 11.20am.

PRESENT
Chairman: Cllr D G Lee (Chairman)
Councillors: Mrs G S Hewetson (Vice Chairman) and M Bishop.

IN ATTENDANCE
Civic Officer – Nicola Payler
Mrs Lucy Zeal (High Steward of Wokingham)
Mr Phil Creighton (Editor of Wokingham Paper)
Mr Roger Ilett (District Scout Chairman)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1)
Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Superintendent Shaun Virtue and Mr John Patey.

The Civic Officer advised the Committee that Mr John Patey has asked to step down from being on this committee. An agenda item will be placed on the next civic meeting for the members to consider who else should be asked to join the committee for next year.

MEMBERS’ INTERESTS (Agenda Item 2)
Members of the committee, except for Mrs Lucy Zeal, all stated that they knew or had an awareness of one or more of the nominated individuals in the community.

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC (Agenda Item 3)
It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Hewetson and seconded by Cllr Bishop and it was that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and instructed to withdraw.

RESOLVED
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CIVIC AWARDS  (Agenda Item 4)
The nominations for Civic Awards were received and scrutinised by the Committee.

It was proposed by Cllr Lee and seconded by Cllr Bishop and it was that 4 nominees should receive a Civic Award.

The members observed that fewer nominations had been received this year and the type of nomination and nominee is not as varied.

A discussion took place about the criteria of the civic award process, the length of time that the process is open for and how and who we should promote this to. It was agreed that this would be discussed further at the next civic meeting in January.

ACTION: Civic Officer

CHAIRMAN