

3rd April 2018

Minutes of the proceedings of the **TOWN COUNCIL** held this day in the **JUBILEE ROOM, TOWN HALL, WOKINGHAM**, from 7.30pm to 7.50pm.

PRESENT:

Chairman: Cllr P M Lucey (Mayor)
Cllrs: M Ashwell, C J Bowring, M Bishop, N Campbell-White, Mrs UK Clark, D O H Davies, Mrs A N Drake, L Forbes, S C Gurney, Mrs G S Hewetson, T Lack, D G Lee, M Monk, J P McGhee-Sumner, J P Mirfin, , M L Richards, I L Shepherd-Dubey, S Steatham, R J Wyatt, A N Waters

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jan Nowecki – Town Clerk
Nicky Harmsworth – Responsible Finance Officer (RFO)

PRAYERS

No prayers were said this evening

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1)

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs C R George, K G Morgan, C D Moore and S Odedra

MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Agenda Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

**QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OR PUBLIC
(Agenda Item 3)**

No questions were received.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING
(Agenda Item 4)**

It was proposed by Cllr D Lee and seconded by Cllr A Waters and the following was

**RESOLVED
29708**

that the Minutes of the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on 23rd January 2018 (pages 15520 to 15523) be confirmed as a true and correct record and that they be signed by the Chairman.

**MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS
(Agenda Item 5)**

The Mayor's list of engagements were received and noted.
The Mayor then presented Stan Hetherington with his Civic Award. Mel Allen, who had proposed him, described Stan's total commitment to both planning and supporting events in and for the town over many years.
Cllr P Mirfin then presented a cheque to the Mayor's Charity and Wokingham in Need Charity from the proceeds of the Winter Carnival.

**PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
(Agenda Item 6)**

Cllr A Waters gave an overview on some key points noted in the minutes.

It was proposed by Cllr A Waters and seconded by Cllr M Richards and the following was

RESOLVED 29709 that the minutes and any recommendations of the Planning and Transportation Committee meetings held on the 6th February 2018 (pages 15524 to 15528) and 13th March 2018 (pages 15542 to 15544) be received

**AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
(Agenda Item 7)**

It was proposed by Cllr N Campbell-White and seconded by Cllr M Richards and the following was

RESOLVED 29710 that the minutes and any recommendations of the Amenities Committee meeting held on the 6th March 2018 (pages 15529 to 15538) be received.

**ARTS & CULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING
(Agenda Item 8)**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs G Hewetson and seconded by Cllr S Gurney and the following was

RESOLVED 29711 that the minutes and any recommendations of the Arts & Culture Committee meeting held on the 12th March 2018 (pages 15539 to 15541) be received.

Cllr Hewetson asked for Councillor support at future events including Fun day, International Street Concert, Book Fayre and Sunny Saturdays

**CIVIC COMMITTEE MEETING
(Agenda Item 9)**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs G Hewetson and seconded by Cllr P Mirfin-Sumner and the following was

RESOLVED 29712 that the minutes and any recommendations of the Civic Committee meeting held on the 19th March (pages 15545 to 15548) be received.

**FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING
(Agenda Item 10)**

Cllr D Davies gave an overview on some key points noted in the minutes.

It was proposed by Cllr D Davies and seconded by Cllr R J Wyatt and the following was

RESOLVED 29713 that the minutes and any recommendations of the Finance and Personnel meeting held on 20th March 2018 (pages 15550 to 15559) be received.

**MAYORAL SELECTION MEETING
(Agenda Item 11)**

The minutes and any recommendations of the Mayoral Selection Committee meeting held on the 20th March (pages 15548 to 15549) be received

**MARKETS DEVELOPMENT WORKING PARTY
(Agenda Item 10)**

The Town Clerk's progress update 25 was received and noted.

It was proposed by Cllr P Lucey and seconded by Cllr A Waters and the following was

RESOLVED 29714 that the notes and any recommendations of the Market Development Working Party held on the 28th February 2018 be received.

Cllr I Shepherd-Dubey stated that the significant delays to the Market Place must have incurred additional financial costs. Cllr Davies responded that the Council has not been asked to contribute anymore to the project than has been approved by Full Council; we are continuing to spend the agreed budget set and would return to Full Council should that position change.

**COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES
(Agenda Item 14)**

Reports were received from Councillors who represent the Town Council on the following outside bodies:

- Wokingham United Charities – Verbal report from Cllr Wyatt
- Citizens Advice Wokingham

The Mayor advised that this was his last Full Council and thanked everyone for their support.

CHAIRMAN