

CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the TOWN COUNCIL

held on Monday 10th January 2011

PRESENT: Councillor Ms J.E. Bramwell – (Town Mayor - presiding)

Councillor	V.M. Abraham	Councillor	D.J. Lacey
"	A.K. Bacon	"	Mrs M. Molesworth
"	M. Z. Bhatti	"	Mrs C.M. Michael
"	M.E. Brand	"	Mrs A.M. Pirouet
"	N.L. Brown	"	M.W. Shaw
"	M. Fayyaz	"	C. H. Spruytenburg
"	Mrs J.C. Fulford	"	Mrs G. Walker
"	F.G. Holly		

Officers: W. Richards - Town Clerk
S. Pearson - Finance and Contracts Manager

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E.L. Bamford, Mrs C. Littley and P.W. Yerrell.

75. **MINUTES**

It was

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 6th December 2010, be confirmed and signed by the Town Mayor as a true record.

76. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors F.G. Holly, Mrs A.M. Pirouet and M.W. Shaw declared a personal interest in agenda item 6 in light of their representation on the Youth Council.

77. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

The Town Mayor invited questions from the public. No questions were forthcoming.

Councillor Lacey arrived at the meeting at 7.35pm

78. **MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Members had before them and duly noted the list of the Town Mayor's engagements from 2nd November 2010-10th January 2011.

The Mayor reported that the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Mrs Michael, had attended the Amersham Town Carol Service on the 8th December as her substitute.

She also mentioned the Elder Persons' Christmas Day lunch which, she reported, was a great success but had taken a huge amount of organisation and paid tribute to the hard work and endeavour of Councillors Brand and Pirouet both before and during the event.

In respect of her Mayoral Announcements, Councillor Ms Bramwell advised that she was proposing to organise an event to celebrate the upcoming Royal Wedding in April and had approached the Chesham Moor Gym and Swim Centre Manager in regard to opening the pool slightly earlier than May 1st to have a fun day there and on the Moor. She advised that any expenditure would be from her Mayoral allowance or fund-raising for the day but requested that free use of the Moor and Chesham Moor Gym and Swim Centre be approved by Council and this was duly agreed. Councillor Mrs Molesworth suggested that the Mayor approach Chiltern District Council's Community Projects and Revitalisation Officer for assistance both in obtaining grants and helping with the organisation.

79. **CHESHAM YOUTH COUNCIL**

The minutes of the Youth Council AGM meeting on the 18th November 2010 were presented and noted.

Councillor Mrs Pirouet advised that both the Christmas social event and the trip to the Welsh Assembly had been postponed due to the snow and both were to be arranged.

80. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

It was moved by the Mayor, Councillor Ms Bramwell, and seconded by Councillor V.M. Abraham and

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on 1st November 2010, be received and approved.

81. **DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Councillor Mrs M. Molesworth and seconded by Councillor A.K. Bacon and

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on 15th November 2010, be received and approved.

It was moved by Councillor Mrs M. Molesworth and seconded by Councillor C.H. Spruytenburg and

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on 6th December 2010, be received and approved.

82. **RECREATION AND THE ARTS COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Councillor Mrs A.M. Pirouet and seconded by Councillor Mrs J.C. Fulford and

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation and the Arts Committee held on 6th December 2010, be received and approved.

83. **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Councillor V.M. Abraham and seconded by Councillor M.E. Brand and

RESOLVED

that the Minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 27th September 2010, be received, approved and adopted.

84. **PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Councillor Mrs C.M. Michael and seconded by Councillor F.G. Holly and

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Performance Review Committee held on 13th December 2010, be received and approved.

85. **SUBSCRIPTION TO NALC/BALC AND PROPOSED SAVINGS 2011/12**

The Council considered the suggested savings made by officers to accord with the budgetary wishes previously set out by Members.

Officers were congratulated by the Council for making these difficult recommendations and it was

RESOLVED

that the savings of £7,700 as identified within the report be approved and the Council does not re-subscribe to the National Association of Local Councils (NALC)/Buckinghamshire Association of Local Councils (BALC) for 2011/12.

86. **CHESHAM AND DISTRICT TRANSPORT USERS' GROUP**

The Council considered the Minutes of the inaugural meeting of the Chesham and District Transport Users' Group and its adopted constitution. The Mayor praised the Clerk for arranging this meeting at short notice and devising the draft constitution and thanked Councillor Mrs Michael for attending at short notice.

It was

RESOLVED

that the notes of the inaugural Chesham and District Transport Users' Group Committee be noted and Councillor Mrs Michael be appointed as the Council's representative as a replacement for Councillor Mrs Molesworth.

87. **PAY SCHEDULE NO. 5**

Following consideration of Pay Schedule No. 5, it was

RESOLVED

that Pay Schedule No. 5 in the grand total of £278,830.43 be approved and the various payments and transactions set out therein be confirmed.

88. **INFORMATION ITEM**

The item presented on Information Sheet No.12 was received and noted.

89. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 7.46pm.

TOWN MAYOR