

**CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of the TOWN COUNCIL**

held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2007

**PRESENT:** Councillor Mrs M. Molesworth, Town Mayor (presiding)  
Councillor Mrs A.M. Pirouet, Deputy Mayor

Councillor	V.M. Abraham	Councillor	F.G. Holly
"	E.L. Bamford	"	D.J. Lacey
"	Ms J.E. Bramwell	"	Mrs C. Littley
"	M.E. Brand	"	Mrs C.M. Michael
"	N.L. Brown	"	C.H. Spruytenburg
"	M. Fayyaz	"	Mrs P.R. Wilkinson M.B.E
"	Mrs J.C. Fulford	"	P.W. Yerrell.

Officer: Mr W. Richards - Town Clerk

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A.K. Bacon, M.Z. Bhatti and Mrs G. Walker.

An apology for lateness was received from Councillor V.M. Abraham.

28. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

The Town Mayor invited questions from the public. There were no questions that were brought to the Mayor's notice.

**THE TOWN MAYOR OPENED THE COUNCIL MEETING AT 7.32PM**

29. **MINUTES**

It was

**RESOLVED**

that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 18<sup>th</sup> June 2007 be confirmed and signed by the Town Mayor as a true record.

30. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In respect of Agenda Item No. 6 – Street Art Project on Moor Changing Hut – Councillor Mrs Wilkinson declared a personal interest in the item as a Member of Buckinghamshire County Council.

31. **MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Members had before them and duly noted the list of the Town Mayor's engagements from 19<sup>th</sup> June - 16<sup>th</sup> July 2007. The Mayor reported that she had attended the following two additional engagements:

- Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Concert in Lowndes Park
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Riding for the Disabled prize-giving, Bellingdon.

In respect to the event held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July, the Mayor paid tribute to Councillors Lacey and Yerrell for their efforts in promoting and organising the Pond Park junior football tournament at Marston Field. Councillor Yerrell, in turn, offered his thanks to Paradigm Housing for its support with the event.

The Mayor announced that Ms Suzie Talbot from the Bucks Examiner was leaving the paper for another position and, since she was in attendance, offered her good wishes and congratulations with her new appointment.

32. **DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE**

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

**RESOLVED**

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2007, be received and approved.

33. **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Councillor C.H. Spruytenburg and seconded by Councillor F. G. Holly and

**RESOLVED**

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2007, be received, approved and adopted.

34. **STREET ART PROJECT ON MOOR CHANGING HUT**

The Council considered the proposal from Buckinghamshire County Council's Youth Service team to use The Moor changing hut for a street art project involving local youth. Councillor Mrs Fulford, while welcoming the project, opined that the youth workers should engage more closely with the local Members in promoting and developing such projects.

It was

**RESOLVED**

that the Council grants permission for Buckinghamshire County Council Youth Service to use the Moor changing hut for a street art project.

35. **PAY SCHEDULE NO. 2**

Following consideration of Pay Schedule No. 2, it was

**RESOLVED**

that Pay Schedule No. 2 in the grand total of £104,604.08 be approved and the various payments and transactions set out therein be confirmed.

*Councillor V.M. Abraham arrived at the meeting at 7.42pm*

36. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS**

It was moved by the Mayor and

**RESOLVED**

that the public and the Press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Access to Meetings) Act 1960, as matters which are considered to be confidential are about to be discussed.

37. **UPDATE ON OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL**

The Town Clerk advised that the new gym at the swimming pool would be opened on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July. He confirmed that the cheapest of three leasing proposals had been accepted and that the period of 16 months had been negotiated as the leasing term to potentially allow new management to take over the gym outside of the busy swimming pool season.

In respect to the former gym, the Town Clerk reported that he had had no response from the solicitor of the previous owner to his letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> June. It was agreed that (subject to legal advice), the Clerk should send a follow-up letter expressing the Council's wish to bring the matter to a conclusion.

The Council noted that Wycombe Leisure Limited was proposing allowing free entry of all its swimming facilities on the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2007 and it was agreed that the Council should consider joining in with this promotion once further details from Wycombe Leisure Limited were forthcoming.

It was

**RESOLVED**

that the Council note the current position and endorse the actions taken to date.

27. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 7.48pm.

TOWN MAYOR

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