

CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHESHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 16 MAY 2011 AT 7.30 PM**

Present: Councillor Ms J.E. Bramwell, Town Mayor

Councillor V.M. Abraham	Councillor Mrs C. Littley
Councillor A.K. Bacon	Councillor R.C. McCulloch
Councillor Ms R.K. Bhatti	Councillor Mrs C. M. Michael
Councillor N.L. Brown	Councillor Mrs A.M. Pirouet
Councillor Mrs P.R. Cherrill	Councillor M.W. Shaw
Councillor M. Fayyaz	Councillor C.H. Spruytenburg
Councillor T. Franks	Councillor Mrs G. Walker
Councillor P.J. Hudson	Councillor F.S. Wilson
Councillor D.J. Lacey	Councillor P.W. Yerrell

Officer: Mr W. Richards – Town Clerk

1. **RETIRING MAYOR'S PRESENTATION**

The out-going Mayor, Councillor Ms Bramwell, presented a cheque amounting to £2,282.39 to the Endeavour Centre in respect of her Mayoral charity fund raising activities for 2010/11. She also advised that another £1,000 had been raised for her other charity, the Motor Neurone Disease Association and a further £5,061 raised in association with the Mosque Committee and Churches Together to aid the flood victims in south-east Asia.

2. **ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR**

Councillor Ms J.E. Bramwell, Town Mayor, welcomed everyone to the meeting and called for nominations for Town Mayor for the ensuing local government year. It was

Moved by	Councillor A.K. Bacon
Seconded by	Councillor M.W. Shaw

that Councillor D.J. Lacey be elected Town Mayor for the ensuing local government year.

There being no other nominations, it was

RESOLVED

**that Councillor Derek John Lacey be and is hereby elected Town Mayor
of Chesham for the ensuing local government year.**

Councillor Lacey then signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office and to which the Clerk of the Council thereupon subscribed.

Councillor Ms Bramwell proceeded to invest Councillor Lacey with the Town Mayor's Chain of Office.

Councillor Lacey replied to the Council's resolution and presented the Escort's badge to his wife, Mrs T. Lacey. He advised the Council that his chosen charity to support as Mayor would be the Douglas McMinn Centre.

3. **THANKS TO RETIRING TOWN MAYOR**

It was

Moved by Councillor C.H. Spruytenburg
Seconded by Councillor Mrs P.R. Cherrill

and

RESOLVED

that a vote of thanks be **RECORDED** to Councillor Ms Bramwell for her services to the town during the past year.

Councillor Ms Bramwell thanked her Council colleagues for their expressions of appreciation and her Deputy and the staff for their support throughout her year of office. She also paid tribute to her husband and her Mayoral ambassadors, for their support during this busy period.

4. **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR**

The Town Mayor called for nominations for the Office of Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing local government year. It was

Moved by Councillor Mrs A.M. Pirouet
Seconded by Councillor V.M. Abraham

that Councillor Mrs C. Littley be appointed Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing local government year.

There being no other nominations, it was

RESOLVED

that Councillor Mrs Colette Littley be and is hereby appointed Deputy Town Mayor of Chesham for the ensuing local government year.

Councillor Mrs Littley thanked the Council for their endorsement and pledged her support to the Town Mayor during her term of office.

5. **MINUTES**

It was

RESOLVED

that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 18th April 2011, be confirmed and signed by the Town Mayor as a true record.

6. **TOWN MAYOR'S ENGAGEMENTS**

Members had before them, and noted, the Immediate Past Town Mayor's engagements from 19th April- 16th May 2011 inclusive.

7. **APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES 2011/2012**

A schedule of Standing Committees, and membership thereof, for 2010/11, copy having been issued, was considered.

It was

RESOLVED

that the appointment of Standing Committees and membership thereof for the ensuing local government year be as follows:

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

V.M. Abraham, A.K. Bacon, Ms R.K. Bhatti, Ms J.E. Bramwell, N. L. Brown, Mrs P.R. Cherrill, M. Fayyaz, T. Franks, P.J. Hudson, D.J. Lacey, Mrs. C. Littley, R.C. McCulloch, Mrs. C.M. Michael, Mrs. A.M. Pirouet, M. W. Shaw, C.H. Spruytenburg, Mrs. G. Walker, F.S. Wilson, P.W. Yerrell.

EXECUTIVE

D.J. Lacey, Mrs C. Littley, N.L. Brown, Mrs C. M. Michael, Mrs A.M. Pirouet, M.W. Shaw, C.H. Spruytenburg.

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

D.J. Lacey, Mrs C. Littley, M. Fayyaz, P.J. Hudson, Mrs. C.M. Michael, Mrs A.M. Pirouet, M.W. Shaw, P.W. Yerrell.

POLICY AND RESOURCES

D.J. Lacey, Mrs C. Littley, V.M. Abraham, A.K. Bacon, Ms J.E. Bramwell, M. Fayyaz, T. Franks, Mrs C.M. Michael, M. W. Shaw, F.S. Wilson, P.W. Yerrell.

RECREATION AND THE ARTS

D.J. Lacey, Mrs C. Littley, Ms. R.K. Bhatti, Mrs P.R. Cherrill, P.J. Hudson, T. Franks, R.C. McCulloch, Mrs C.M. Michael, Mrs A.M. Pirouet, C.H. Spruytenburg, Mrs G. Walker.

8. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES AND WORKING PARTIES 2011/2012

The Council considered the making of appointments on Outside Bodies and Working Parties. It was

RESOLVED

that the following representatives be appointed to serve for the ensuing local government year:

Allotments Group (2 representatives)	Councillor Mrs C. Littley Councillor Mrs. G. Walker
Chesham in Bloom	Councillor Mrs C. Littley - Deputy Town Mayor
Chalk Streams Project	Mr. K. Austin
Chesham Action Partnership	Councillor Mrs C. Littley
Chesham Action Volunteers (2 representatives)	Councillor Ms J. E. Bramwell Councillor Mrs. A. M. Pirouet
Chesham Chamber of Trade and Commerce (2 representatives)	Councillor N.L. Brown Councillor Mrs. C.M. Michael
Chesham & District Community Association	Councillor Ms R. Bhatti
Chesham & District Transport Users' Group (2 representatives)	Councillor R. C. McCulloch Councillor Mrs. C.M. Michael
Chesham4Fairtrade Committee	Councillor Mrs. G. Walker
Chesham in Transition	Councillor Mrs G. Walker
Chesham and Villages Local Area Forum	Councillor M. W. Shaw (Deputy – Councillor A.K. Bacon)
Chesham Town Twinning Association Committee (2 representatives)	Councillor D.J. Lacey - Town Mayor Councillor Mrs. A.M. Pirouet
Chesham Youth Centre	Councillor M. Fayyaz

Chesham Youth Council (2 representatives)	Councillor Mrs. A.M. Pirouet Councillor M. W. Shaw
Chiltern Citizens Advice Bureau	Councillor Ms J. E. Bramwell
Chiltern Dial-a-Ride Limited	Councillor Ms J.E. Bramwell
Chiltern Racial Equality Council (2 representatives)	Councillor D.J. Lacey - Town Mayor Councillor Ms R Bhatti
Chiltern Society	Councillor R. C. McCulloch
Christmas Day Party for the Elderly (2 representatives)	Councillor D.J. Lacey - Town Mayor Councillor Ms J.E. Bramwell
Chesham over 50's Positive Action Group (COPAG)	Councillor Mrs. C.M. Michael
CPRE (Penn Country Branch Executive Committee)	Councillor Mrs P. R. Cherrill
Elgiva Board of Management (Councillor & Board Members)	Councillor V.M. Abraham Mrs. P.R. Cherrill Mrs. Y. Plester Mr. H. Elson Mr A. Ogden Mr. B. Carey Mrs L. English Mr. T. Pilling Mr M Barnes
Friends of Chesham Cemetery	Councillor R. C. McCulloch
Friends of Moor Gym and Swim (3 representatives)	Councillor Ms J E Bramwell Councillor P. J. Hudson Councillor Mrs. C.M. Michael
Impress the Chess (2 representatives)	Councillor Ms J E Bramwell Councillor Mrs C. Littley
Neighbourhood Action Group (NAG)	Councillor Ms J E Bramwell
Ranfurly Charitable Services	Ms J. Ottaway
Parish Tree Warden	Mr. B.J. Meldrum
Community Resilience Response Group (2 representatives)	Councillor Mrs P. R. Cherrill Councillor Mrs A.M. Pirouet
Town Centre Working Group	Councillor Mrs C. Littley

Walkers Are Welcome (Chesham)

Councillor Mrs C. Littley

Culvert Monitoring Group
(6 representatives)

Councillor V. M. Abraham
Councillor T. Franks
Councillor Mrs. C.M. Michael
Councillor Mrs. A.M. Pirouet
Councillor M. Shaw
Councillor P.W. Yerrell

Play Area Working Party
(5 representatives)

Councillor P. J. Hudson
Councillor Mrs C. Littley
Councillor Mrs. C.M. Michael
Councillor Mrs. A.M. Pirouet
Councillor P.W. Yerrell

Highways Working Party
(5 representatives)

Councillor M. Fayyaz
Councillor D.J. Lacey
Councillor Mrs. A.M. Pirouet
Councillor M. W. Shaw
Councillor C. H. Spruytenburg

St Mary's Churchyard & Mausoleum Working Party
(2 representatives)

Councillor Mrs C. Littley
Councillor R. C. McCulloch

9. **APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON CHARITABLE BODIES 2011/2012**

The Council considered the making of appointments to fill vacancies on Charitable Bodies. It was

RESOLVED

that the following appointments be made:

KEN DENHAM TRUST

Councillor D.J. Lacey
(Town Mayor)

RACHEL JOHNSON'S
ELEEMOSYNARY

Councillor Mrs A. M. Pirouet

WEEDON'S CHARITY

Mrs D.J. Brackley
Mrs L. Mountain

10. **PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS 2011/2012**

The Council considered the payment of subscriptions for the ensuing local government year. It was

RESOLVED

that annual subscriptions be paid to the following organisations:

NAME OF ORGANISATION**ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION
(Subject to any annual increase during the year)**

	£	p
Action for Market Towns	220.00	(plus VAT)
Arts & Business Ltd	70.00	(plus VAT)
Bucks Playing Fields Association	20.00	*†
Chesham Chamber of Trade & Commerce	50.00	†
Chiltern Arts Forum	10.00	**
Institute of Cemetery & Crematorium Management	90.00	
Council for the Protection of Rural England	29.00	*†
National Association of British Market Authorities	318.00	(plus VAT)
Society of Local Council Clerks	305.00	
South East Employers	296.00	(plus VAT)
The Chesham Society	15.00	†
The Chiltern Society	25.00	*†
The Open Spaces Society	40.00	†
The Woodland Trust	21.00	*†
United Nations Association	25.00	*†
The Ancient-Honourable Guild of Town Criers	29.00	†

† Funded through the Power of Well-Being

* This amount is the minimum subscription payable to the organisation concerned. The Council may increase the subscription, by resolution.

** Left to the Elgiva Manager's discretion each year.

11. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

TOWN MAYOR

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