

**Minutes of the
Full Council
held on Monday 18th September 2017 at 7pm
at the Civic Centre, Sambourne Road, Warminster, BA12 8LB**

Committee membership:

Cllr Batchelor (Broadway)	A	Cllr Macdonald (East)	A
Cllr Brett (East)	*	Cllr Macfarlane (West)	*
Cllr Davis (East)	*	Cllr Nicklin, Vice Chairman of Council and Deputy Mayor (West)	*
Cllr Fraser (West)	*	Cllr Pitcher (Broadway)	*
Cllr Fryer, Chairman of Council and Mayor (Broadway)	*	Cllr Ridout (West)	A
Cllr Jeffries (Copheap)	*	Cllr Robbins (East)	*
Cllr Jolley (Broadway)	*		

Key: * Present A Apologies AB Absent

In attendance:

Officers: Fiona Fox and Judith Halls

Public and press: 3 members of public, 1 Press

FC/17/041 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Batchelor, Macdonald and Ridout

FC/17/042 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Robbins declared a personal interest in agenda item 16.2, King George V Field, as he is the secretary of the Football Club. He would remain in the room for discussion but not take part in the voting.

Councillor Jeffries declared a personal interest in agenda item 16.3, Civic Award Nominations, saying that he knows one of the nominees. He would remain in the room for discussion but not take part in the voting.

FC/17/043 Minutes

FC/17/043.1 The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 26th June 2017 were approved as a true record and signed by the chairman.

FC/17/043.2 Noted.

FC/17/044 Mayor's Announcements

FC/17/044.1 The Mayor advised the committee the wording on agenda item 16.2, King George V Field, should read 2016 not 2106

FC/17/044.2 Noted.

FC/17/045 Questions

None.

Standing Orders were suspended at 7.06pm to allow for public participation

FC/17/046 Public Participation

Unitary Councillor Tony Jackson congratulated the Town Council on achieving Green Flag status, a great accolade for the town. Secondly, he wanted to speak about agenda item 11.2, Regeneration Working Group for Warminster, saying that he would strongly advise the council to send a representative to join the group and it would make sense for this to be a member of the Town Development Committee.

Phil Seddon, Town Crier for Warminster, spoke on agenda item 12, Mayoral Robes, saying that he thought providing robes was a good idea. When Mayors are attending Civic functions wearing robes they look the part and the pageantry and splendour is a sight to behold.

Standing Orders were reinstated at 7.10pm

FC/17/047 Correspondence Circulated

Noted.

FC/17/048 Reports from Unitary Authority Members & Police

Nothing provided for this meeting.

FC/17/049 Proceedings of Committee

The minutes of the following meetings were adopted:

FC/17/049.1 Planning Advisory Committee: 17th July and 21st August 2017 respectively

FC/17/049.2 Finance and Assets Committee: 12th June 2017

FC/17/049.3 Devolved Services: 15th June, 13th July and 10th August 2017 respectively

FC/17/050 Neighbourhood Plan Policy Review Working Group (NPPRWG)

FC/17/050.1 The draft minutes were noted.

FC/17/050.2 The members had a lengthy debate regarding the Wiltshire Council Pre-submissions consultation. Councillor Nicklin led the discussions explaining all the points that the Neighbourhood Plan Policy Review Working Group

(NPPRWG) considered and were included in their minutes which had been distributed to all members for their perusal prior to the Full Council meeting. Councillor Nicklin proposed that the NPPRWG comments on the Draft Housing Sites Allocation and the 24 comments on the Proposed Settlement Boundary be submitted in response to Wiltshire Council's consultation. He also asked that a Wiltshire Council officer be invited to meet with the NPPRWG so that they could explain their reasons for the comments. Seconded Councillor Jolley, voting unanimous in favour.

FC/17/051 Representatives to External Bodies

FC/17/051.1 Market Towns' Forum

Councillor Fraser advised the committee that she had been representing the Council at these meetings and was happy to continue. Members agreed unanimously for her to continue.

FC/17/051.2 Regeneration Working Group for Warminster

Councillor Nicklin told the members he was happy to put himself forward for this meeting. Councillor Davis nominated Councillor Nicklin to attend the Regeneration Working Group, along with Councillor Sue Fraser who is the Council's representative to the Warminster Area Board. Seconded Councillor Jolley, voting unanimous in favour.

FC/17/051.3 Local Youth Network (LYN)

Councillor Brett advised the committee that he was happy to put himself forward to be the Warminster Town Council representative. Councillor Jolley nominated Councillor Brett to be the Local Youth Network representative for Warminster Town Council. Seconded Councillor Robbins, voting unanimous in favour.

FC/17/052 Mayoral Robes

The members had a lengthy debate regarding the Mayoral Robes. Most of the members agreed that this was the way forward for the Town Council and it was important for the Mayor to look the part and to be proud to represent the town at certain events. Councillor Jolley proposed that Warminster Town Council thank Lesley Fudge for her kind offer to make the robes and that a maximum cost of £750 be spent on all materials for a unisex Mayoral Robe, hat and gloves. Seconded Councillor Macfarlane, voting in favour 9, against 1, abstentions 0. Motion carried.

FC/17/053 Lake Pleasure Grounds (LPG)

Councillor Macfarlane proposed confirmation that the 'Lake Pleasure Grounds' should continue to be the primary name for the park to avoid the expense of changing signage outside and within the town. Any signs and new leaflets should refer to 'Lake Pleasure Grounds' with 'Warminster Town Park' as a subtitle. Seconded Councillor Davis, voting unanimous in favour.

FC/17/054 Standing Order 32

Councillor Robbins proposed that members agree to the adherence of standing order 32, 'A member shall stand when speaking unless permitted by the Chairman to sit on account of infirmity'. Seconded Councillor Jolley, voting unanimous in favour.

FC/17/055 Civic Reception and May Day Celebration in the Park

The members had a lengthy debate about the possibility of a Civic Reception and May Day celebration. They agreed that they would like to proceed with this as a means of acknowledging the enormous contribution volunteers make to the life of Warminster. There were some concerns raised about the costings of the events. Councillor Macfarlane proposed that members agreed to the principle of a Civic Reception and May Day celebration and the availability of £750. The item should be taken forward to be discussed at the next Finance and Assets meeting for some additional funding as there were concerns that the amount set aside would not be sufficient. Seconded Councillor Davis, voting unanimous in favour.

In view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, the public and press were temporarily excluded and they were instructed to withdraw from the meeting at 8.25pm

FC/17/056 Confidential session pursuant to Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960; the Council, by resolution, may exclude the public from a meeting (whether during the whole or part of the proceedings) whenever publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons stated in the resolution and arising from the nature of that business or of the proceedings.

FC/17/056.1 Allotments

Noted.

FC/17/056.2 King George V Field

The members discussed the transfer of the King George Field.

FC/17/056.3 Civic Award Nominations

The members chose the recipients for the 2017 Civic Award, which would be presented later in the year.

FC/17/057 Communications

The members wished for a press release to be issued regarding the Wiltshire Council pre-submission consultation and the nominated speakers will be Councillors Nicklin, Jolley and Jeffries.

They also wished for a press release to be issued about the Mayoral Robes.

Meeting closed at 9.05pm

Minutes from this meeting will be available to all members of the public either from our website www.warminster.uk.com or by contacting us at Warminster Civic Centre.