

Bracknell Town Council
Full Council Meeting
6th October 2015

Present: Cllr Ash Merry – Deputy Town Mayor – Chairman
Cllrs: Paul Bidwell, Gill Birch, Graham Birch, Clive Harrison, Diana Henfrey, Peter Heydon, Sandra Ingham, Isabel Mattick, Iain McCracken, Jennie McCracken, Sanjeev Prasad, Mary Temperton, Chris Turrell, Jo Woodcock.

Apologies: Cllrs: Gareth Barnard, Marc Brunel-Walker, Alvin Finch, Diane Finch, Denise Hamilton, Peter Hill, Tina McKenzie-Boyle, Paula-Elizabeth Pooler, Roger Meakes, Mark Phillips, Michael Skinner, Malcolm Tullett.

In attendance: R Reeve - Town Clerk (TC), J Burgess - Office Services Manager (OSM).

The Meeting opened at 7.30m and closed at 8.25pm

Councillor Mrs Isabel Mattick gave a presentation on the role of the Federation of Burial and Cremation Authorities and this was followed by a question and answer session.

The Deputy Town Mayor then welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Councillor Mrs Mattick for her informative presentation.

1130 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

1131 Minutes

It was proposed by Cllr C Turrell and seconded by Cllr Mrs G Birch, and unanimously RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 23rd June 2015 be confirmed and signed with some minor amendments.

1132 Matters Arising

1058 Mill Park access– Cllr C Turrell explained that this matter was the subject of an ongoing discussion with McDonalds and that BTC will continue to push for a solution to the access issues at Mill Park.

1058 Funfair – BFC had received a couple of complaints regarding the Fun Fair which had been dealt with. The North Lake field suffered some damage but this was superficial and Councillors were advised that the field was to be re-instated to its former state within a few weeks. The Council receive a fee from the fun fair which covers any minor damage to the field.

1133 Mayors Announcements

The Deputy Mayor gave apologies on behalf of the Town Mayor who was unable to attend due to illness. The Deputy Mayor informed Council that 29 mayoral invitations had been accepted and attended since the last Council meeting. The Deputy Mayor Councillor A Merry thanked Councillor Mrs I Mattick for attending the events as her Consort. The Deputy Mayor stated that it has been a real honour to attend events on behalf of BTC and also took the opportunity to thank the dedicated staff who had achieved a gold trophy for Bracknell in the 'In Bloom' competition. Congratulations to all involved.

1134 Planning Committee

Cllr C Harrison proposed the adoption of the reports of the meetings held on 7th and 28th July, 18th August, and the 8th and 29th September 2015 and this was seconded by Cllr J Woodcock.
RESOLVED that the reports be adopted.

1135 Environmental Services Committee

Cllr C Harrison proposed the adoption of the report of the meeting held on 28th July and this was seconded by Cllr I McCracken.
RESOLVED that the report be adopted.

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1136 Staffing Committee

Cllr C Turrell proposed the adoption of reports of the meetings held on 14th July and 1st September and this was seconded by Cllr Mrs G Birch.

RESOLVED that the reports be adopted.

1137 Strategy and Finance Committee

Cllr C Turrell proposed the adoption of reports of the meetings held on 14th July and 8th September and this was seconded by Cllr P Heydon.

RESOLVED that the reports be adopted.

1138 Received Income Transactions

The Council noted the received income transactions from the 1st June to 31st August 2015. NOTED

1139 Paid Expenditure Transactions.

The Council considered the paid expenditure transactions from 1st June to 31st August 2015 inclusive. NOTED

The reports had been scrutinised by the Strategy and Finance Committee. It was RESOLVED that the transactions be confirmed and the Deputy Mayor was authorised to sign these as a correct record.

1140 Complaints and Compliments Registers

The registers were NOTED

Cllrs were pleased to see the complaints were dealt with promptly and that residents had taken the time to contact the Town Council to pass on their compliments. Councillors commented that these responses showed what a good work force the Town Council had; and officers confirmed the men in question had been personally thanked.

1141 Committee Membership.

Councillor M Brunel-Walker had asked to step down from his position as a member of the Planning Committee; Councillor G Barnard had agreed to put his name forward to take this position. Councillor C Turrell put the proposal to Full Council to accept this change. This was seconded by Councillor C Harrison and AGREED.

1142 Annual Grants.

A summary of the annual grant applications received was provided to all Councillors present. The OSM advised that the full paperwork could be accessed in the office at Brooke House. Councillors were encouraged to review the applications before a discussion is held at the Strategy and Finance meeting on 10th November 2015. Councillor C Turrell advised that a group of Councillors would also meet to help inform these discussions in advance of that date.

Next Meeting 1st December 2015

The meeting was closed at 8.25pm

SignedDated