

BRACKNELL TOWN COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL MEETING
27th February 2018

Present: Cllr Clive Harrison, Town Mayor – Chairman
Cllrs: Gareth Barnard, Paul Bidwell, Gill Birch, Graham Birch, Marc Brunel-Walker, Alvin Finch, Michael Gibson, Diana Henfrey, Peter Heydon, Peter Hill, Sandra Ingham, Jennie McCracken, Paula-Elizabeth Pooler, Mary Temperton, Chris Turrell and Jo Woodcock.
Apologies: Cllrs: Diane Finch, Denise Hamilton, Iain McCracken, Tina McKenzie-Boyle, Isabel Mattick, Roger Meakes, Ash Merry, Sanjeev Prasad Michael Skinner and Malcolm Tullett.
In attendance: J Burgess - Town Clerk (TC), A Moffat (RFM), L Boorman (FAO).

The meeting opened at 7.35pm and closed at 8.45pm

The Bracknell in Bloom committee gave an updated on the Bracknell in Bloom Committees decision to concentrate on “the Your Gardens Competition” and entering individual parks into the competition rather than entering the “Route Competition”.

2023 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Paula-Elizabeth Pooler declared an interest in Youthline and CAB.
Cllr Gareth Barnard declared an interest in Keep Mobile.
Cllr Jennie McCracken declared an interest in Home Start.

2024 Minutes

It was proposed by Cllr Chris Turrell and seconded by Cllr Gill Birch, and unanimously RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 5th December 2017 be confirmed and signed.

2025 Matters Arising

There were no Matters Arising.

2026 Mayors Announcements

The Town Mayor informed the Council that all invitations received since the AGM meeting had been attended by himself or the Deputy Town Mayor, and confirmed 101 engagements had been attended since May 2017. A brief update was given on the recent engagements including the Valentines Charity Ball that raised over £2000.00 for the Town Mayors chosen charities followed by an update of the engagements from Deputy Town Mayor.

Cllr Chris Turrell congratulated the Town Mayor on the success of his charity event and thanks were given to Cllr Gill Birch for her support with the event.

2027 Planning Committee

Cllr Alvin Finch introduced the reports of the meetings held on 12th December 2017, 9th January 2018, 30th January 2018 and 20th February 2018. This was seconded by Cllr Paul Bidwell. RESOLVED that the reports be adopted.

2028 Environmental Services Committee

Cllr Clive Harrison introduced the reports of the meetings held on 23rd January 2018. This was seconded by Cllr Gill Birch. RESOLVED that the reports be adopted.

Matters arising from the minutes.

1996 – BARDO on the Road. It was requested that Councillors be informed when ‘BARDO’ will be taking place in their ward.

1998 – Larges Lane Cemetery. It was noted on the freedom of information that BFC did not apply for planning permission to remove the trees that back onto the cemetery.

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2029 Strategy and Finance Committee

Cllr Chris Turrell introduced the report of the meetings held 30th January 2018. This was seconded by Cllr Gill Birch. RESOLVED that the reports be adopted and the recommendation to allow a small area at Jocks Lane Recreation field to be fenced for the use of the hall hirers be ratified.

2030 Staffing Committee

Cllr Chris Turrell introduced the report of the meeting held on 23rd January 2018. This was seconded by Cllr Gill Birch. RESOLVED that the report be adopted and the recommendation to introduce a "None Smoking Policy be ratified.

2031 Received Income Transactions

The Council NOTED the received income transactions from the 1st November 2017 to 31st December 2017 inclusive.

2032 Paid Expenditure Transactions.

Cllr Chris Turrell proposed the Paid Expenditure Transactions; this was seconded by Cllr Gill Birch. The Council considered the paid expenditure transactions from 1st November to 31st December 2017 inclusive. The reports had been scrutinised by the Strategy and Finance Committee. It was RESOLVED that the transactions be confirmed and the Mayor be authorised to sign these as a correct record.

2033 Annual Grants

Cllr Chris Turrell proposed the grant application for Pilgrims Hearts Trust of £500.00 be granted in the form of supplies as recommended by the Strategy and Finance Committee. This was seconded by Cllr Paul Bidwell. AGREED

2034 Grant for South Hill Park Arts Trust (SHP)

Cllr Chris Turrell proposed the grant application for South Hill Park Trust Limited Grant for 2018/19 to be fixed at £135,000 and paid in 12 monthly instalments on the last day of each month recommended by the Strategy and Finance Committee. This was seconded by Cllr Gill Birch. AGREED

2035 Budget 2018/19

Cllr C Turrell gave a brief summation of the principles behind the budget and recommended Councillors to agree the 2018/19 budget and to resolve a 0% increase on the precept for 2018/19. This was seconded by Cllr Gill Birch and AGREED unanimously by the Council.

2036 Schedule of Meetings

Cllr Chris Turrell noted the schedule of meetings for 2018/19. NOTED

2037 Any Items of Information

Citizens Advice Bureau Report was given by Cllr Paula-Elizabeth Pooler. Cllr Marc Brunel-Walker to speak to officers for a solution of the office lease. Cllr Chris Turrell gave thanks for the excellent work of Cllr Paula-Elizabeth Pooler.

Confidential Business

To move that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, that pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as applied by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, Members of the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting.

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2038 South Hill Park Arts Trust (SHP)

Cllr Chris Turrell introduced the Grant Conditions document and asked Councillors to approve. This was seconded by Cllr Gill Birch and AGREED unanimously by the Council.

Cllr Diana Henfrey brought forward the following motion after receiving the SHP fire risk assessment: "This Council asks the SHP Trust that, prior to seeking its consent to and to undertaking currently proposed structural alterations to the Mansion and the Wilde Theatre, that it carries out all the actions specified in the Fire Risk Assessment of 12 January 2018 and confirms that it has done so."

The following amended motion was brought forward by Cllr Mary Temperton and seconded by Cllr Diana Henfrey: "The actions specified in the Fire Risk assessment of 12th January 2018 raised great concern at BTC. We urge that their actions are completed as soon as possible and the matter is fully reported back to ourselves and all Trustees.

Council voted unanimously to APPROVE the amended motion. The motion "*the actions specified in the Fire Risk Assessment of 12th January 2018 raised great concerns at Bracknell Town Council. We urge that these actions are completed as soon as possible and the matters is fully reported back to ourselves and all Trustees*" was carried.

A letter to be drafted to SHP expressing the concerns of BTC. AGREED

Next Meeting 15th May 2018 at 7.30pm Annual General Meeting

Braybrooke Recreation Ground.

SignedDated