

Minutes of an **Informal Council Meeting** of Buckingham Town Council held at 7pm.  
on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019** in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow,  
Buckingham.

Present:

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| Cllr. T. Bloomfield   |              |
| Cllr. M. Cole         | Deputy Mayor |
| Cllr. Mrs. G. Collins |              |
| Cllr. P. Collins      |              |
| Cllr. Mrs. M. Gateley |              |
| Cllr. J. Harvey       | Mayor        |
| Cllr. P. Hirons       |              |
| Cllr. D. Isham        |              |
| Cllr. A. Mahi         |              |
| Cllr. L. O'Donoghue   |              |
| Cllr. A. Ralph        |              |
| Cllr. M. Smith        |              |
| Cllr. R. Stuchbury    |              |
| Cllr. M. Try          |              |

Also Present: Mr P. Hodson Town Clerk  
Mrs. K. McElligott Planning Clerk  
Mrs. N. Stockill Committee Clerk

**1. Mayor Elect**

To discuss and agree the Mayor Elect for 2019-20

Proposed by Cllr. Stuchbury seconded by Cllr. O'Donoghue, and **AGREED** that Cllr. Cole be the Mayor elect for the forthcoming year.

**2. Mayor's Reception**

To agree the Councillor who will make the speech presenting the Council's choice of Mayor at the Annual Statutory Meeting in May 2019 and, if needed, who will make the speech giving the 'Vote of Thanks' for the retiring Mayor.

Cllr. Stuchbury offered (nem. con.) to make the speech presenting the Council's choice of Mayor at the Mayor's Reception in May.

Cllr. Gately offered (nem. con.) to make the speech giving the 'Vote of Thanks' for the retiring Mayor at the Mayor's Reception in May.

**3. Deputy Mayor Elect**

To discuss and agree the Deputy Mayor Elect for 2019-20

Proposed by Cllr. Cole, seconded by Cllr. O'Donoghue and **AGREED** that Cllr. Mrs. G. Collins be the Deputy Mayor elect for the forthcoming year.

**4. Mayor's Reception**

To agree the Councillor who will make the speech presenting the Council's choice of Deputy Mayor at the Annual Town Meeting and, if needed, who will make the speech giving the 'Vote of Thanks' for the retiring Deputy Mayor.

Cllr. Hirons offered (nem. con.) to make the speech presenting the Council's choice of Deputy Mayor at the Mayor's Reception in May.

5. **Annual Statutory Meeting and Mayor's Reception**

Members confirmed the date of the Annual Statutory Meeting and Mayor's Reception as Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

6. **Friends of Buckingham Award**

To discuss and agree whether to appoint any Friends of Buckingham and agree which Councillor will make the speech presenting the award (to be awarded a silver salver at the Mayor's Reception in May)

Proposed by Cllr. Stuchbury and seconded by Cllr. O'Donoghue for the Town Clerk to investigate an appropriate recipient from North Bucks Carers. A vote was taken and the results were:

In favour: 3

Against: 9

Abstentions: 2

Motion fell

Proposed by Cllr. Harvey and seconded by Cllr. Mahi to nominate Mr. Lionel Weston in recognition of his sterling work organising a wide range of memorable events in Buckingham. A vote was taken and the results were:

In favour: 12

Against: 0

Abstentions: 2

Motion carried

Cllr. Harvey agreed to make a speech presenting Mr Weston.

Proposed by Cllr. Hirons and seconded by Cllr. Smith to nominate Mrs. Shelia Handley in recognition of her years of voluntary service organising community lunches and as Chair of Project Street Life. A vote was taken and the results were:

In favour: 12

Abstentions: 2

Motion carried

Cllr. Hirons agreed to make a speech presenting Mrs. Handley.

*Members to note that any award nominations will be ratified at the next meeting of Full Council on the 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019*

7. **Sport & Art Award**

To discuss and agree whether to make an award and agree which Councillor will make the speech presenting the award (to be awarded a silver salver at the Mayor's Reception in May)

Proposed by Cllr. Harvey and seconded by Cllr. O'Donoghue to nominate Buckingham Arts for All (BAFA) for their efforts encouraging accessible art groups for all abilities in Buckingham.

Proposed by Cllr. Smith, seconded by Cllr. Stuchbury and unanimously **AGREED** to nominate The Buckingham Pantomime in recognition of their successful 35-year history delivering community pantomime productions.

Cllrs. Harvey and Stuchbury agreed to withdraw their proposal in favour of The Buckingham Pantomime.

Cllr. Smith agreed to make a speech presenting The Buckingham Pantomime.

All Councillors

Meeting closed at 19.58 pm

**Signed** ..... **Date** .....