

**MINUTES OF BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL INTERIM MEETING HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MONDAY 15TH MARCH 2004 FOLLOWING THE
PLANNING MEETING.**

PRESENT

Councillor	J. Barnett	
	H. Cadd	
	P. Collins	
	Mrs. P. Desorgher	
	D. Isham	
	R. Lehmann	
	G. Loftus	
	Ms. R. Newell	
	Mrs. P. Stevens	
	Mrs. C. Strain-Clark	
	P. Strain-Clark	
	R. Stuchbury	(Mayor)

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs. H. Mordue, K. Liverseidge and Mrs H Saul.

2383 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest for items on the agenda

2384 MRS F. BURDEN - AVDC CONSERVATION AREAS OFFICER

*Proposed by Cllr. Isham, seconded by Cllr. Stuchbury, and **AGREED** to suspend Standing Orders to allow Mrs Burden to address the meeting.*

Mrs Burden explained that AVDC were reviewing all conservation area designations and Buckingham was the oldest, having been designated in 1971. The process involves extensive public consultation which, she felt, would best be guided by a steering group made up of Town Council representatives and representatives from other agreed bodies. The steering group would lead the process but the new (if altered) boundaries would only be agreed after the full public consultation.

Mrs Burden asked for the Council's support and advice in respect of other organisations that would be of benefit to include on the steering group. It was anticipated that the steering group would meet approximately once a month; the Members offered the Council Chamber for these meetings.

*Proposed by Cllr. Isham, seconded by Cllr. Stevens, and **AGREED** to reinstate Standing Orders.*

Cllrs. Isham, Stevens, Cadd, and C. Strain Clark all volunteered to sit on the steering group with the Mayor attending when other commitments allowed.

It was agreed to hold a preliminary meeting with Mrs Burden to discuss the process and organisations to include on the steering group.

ACTION THE CLERK

2385 MAYOR'S ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

2385.1 Quality Parish Status

The Mayor was pleased to inform the Council that Buckingham Town Council had been awarded Quality Parish Status on Wednesday 10th March. He thanked the Town Clerk and Cllr. C. Strain-Clark, the previous Mayor, for all their hard work in getting this award. Buckingham is the first Council in Buckinghamshire and one of only 35 in the country. It was agreed to have the formal presentation on Tuesday 30th March at the Annual Town Meeting; the Clerk to liaise with BALC.

ACTION THE CLERK

2385.2 "Vision 2031"

The Clerk reported on the Invitation to the inaugural meeting of "Vision 2031" which will explain and elect members for the Local Delivery Vehicle; any Member wishing to attend should notify the Clerk who would attend if no Member volunteered.

2385.3 HRH the Prince of Wales

The Mayor reported on the visit by HRH the Prince of Wales to Buckingham University on 12th March 2004. The Mayor had, on behalf of the Council, invited Prince Charles to return to Buckingham when he became king to receive the mace which had been commissioned in the reign of Charles II.

Meeting closed 8. 25 pm

CHAIRMAN DATE