

**MINUTES OF THE BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL INTERIM MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2008 AT 7PM.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor	T. Bloomfield
	Mrs. G. Collins
	P. Collins
	Mrs. P. Desorgher
	P. Hirons
	D. Isham
	G. Loftus
	A. Mahi
	Ms. R. Newell
	M. Smith
	Mrs. P. Stevens
	R. Stuchbury
	M. Try
	W. Whyte
Town Clerk	Ms. P. J. Heath MILCM
Deputy Town Clerk	Mr. C. Wayman

Proposed by Cllr. Stuchbury, seconded by Cllr. Smith, and **RESOLVED** that Cllr. Loftus be appointed Chairman of the meeting in the absence of the Mayor.

**APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors H. Mordue (Mayor) and H. Cadd.

**3207 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

**3208 BUCKINGHAM PLAN – CLLR. WHYTE**

Proposed by Cllr. Whyte, seconded by Cllr. Isham, and **AGREED** that the Buckingham Plan as per the text circulated with the Council agenda on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2008 be formally submitted to Aylesbury Vale District Council and Bucks. County Council for consultation with a response date prior to 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009; any amendments to be agreed by the Council before the final document is submitted as part of the LDF documentation.

**3209 TO OBTAIN COUNCIL'S PERMISSION TO INVITE CLAIR WOODS, S<sup>T</sup>. PETER & S<sup>T</sup>. PAUL'S CHURCH, TO MAKE A PRESENTATION ON THE PROJECT TO ASSIST HOMELESS YOUNGSTERS IN BUCKINGHAM**

Proposed by Cllr. Stuchbury, seconded by Cllr. Newell, and **AGREED** to invite Rev. C. Woods to make a presentation on the project to assist homeless youngsters in Buckingham at the Council meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> December.

**3210 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE A BUDGET FOR OFFICE FURNITURE AND COMPUTER FOR THE ACCOUNTS ASSISTANT - CLLR. STUCHBURY**

Members discussed at length the requirements of the office staff for a convenient working environment. It was noted that the new members of staff would need to call on the experience of existing staff and this was not practical in separate offices. It was agreed to ask F & A to discuss this and bring a recommendation to the Council.

Proposed by Cllr. Try, seconded by Cllr. P. Collins, that this Council purchases a computer and office equipment for use by the Accounts Assistant up to a budget of £1500.

An amendment was proposed by Cllr. Whyte, seconded by Cllr. Newell, that the budget limit should be £1250; this was **AGREED** by 11 votes to 1 with Cllr. Isham abstaining.

Proposed by Cllr. Whyte, seconded by Cllr. Stevens, and **AGREED** by 11 votes to 0 that this Council seeks a change of use on Cemetery Lodge from Residential to Office; Cllr. Isham abstained.

It was **AGREED** that the Finance and Administration Committee would look at the feasibility and work required to convert the Cemetery Lodge from a residence to an office.

**3211 MAYOR'S ITEMS FOR INFORMATION.**

There were no Mayor's items for information.

CHAIRMAN ..... DATE .....