

BTC/01/21

Minutes of a meeting of the Annual Statutory Meeting of the Full Council of Buckingham Town Council held on Monday 17th May 2021 @7pm at Lace Hill Sports and Community Centre, MK18 7RR

Present:

Cllr. R. Ahmed
Cllr. M. Cole JP
Cllr. G. Collins Mayor
Cllr. M. Gateley
Cllr. J. Harvey
Cllr. S. Hetherington
Cllr. P. Hirons
Cllr. H. Mordue
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue
Cllr. A. Ralph
Cllr. A. Schaefer
Cllr. R. Stuchbury
Cllr. M. Try
Cllr. W. Whyte
Cllr. R. Willet

In attendance: Mr. P. Hodson Town Clerk
 Mrs. N. Stockill Committee Clerk

A minute's silence was held in respect for Mr Robert Munday who had died on the 29th April 2021. Mr Munday served as the Mayor's Consort with Cllr. Ruth Newell from 1997 – 1999, and again from 2012-14.

Welcome – Cllr. G. Collins, Mayor of Buckingham.

The Town Mayor reviewed the highlights of her year of office.

Members of the public were in attendance but no-one spoke

01/21 Election of the Town Mayor

Members were asked to elect the Town Mayor who will act as Chair of the Council for the forthcoming year.

Cllr. M. Gateley was proposed by Cllr. O'Donoghue and seconded by Cllr. Stuchbury. There being no further nominations, it was **RESOLVED** unanimously – that Cllr. M. Gateley be elected Town Mayor of Buckingham, to hold office until the next Annual Statutory Meeting of the Council. Cllr. O'Donoghue gave a speech recognising Cllr. M. Gateley's service to the community of Buckingham.

02/21 Vote of Thanks to the outgoing Mayor

Cllr. Mordue gave a speech recognising the work of Cllr. G. Collins during her term in office.

03/21 The Robing of the Mayor and history of the Regalia.

Members noted that the robing of the Mayor was to be postponed until the Celebrate Buckingham event on the 10th July 2021 in Bourton Park. The Mayor put on the chain of office.

04/21 Signing of the Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Cllr. Gateley signed the statutory declaration of office in front of the Town Clerk and took the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

05/21 Apologies

Members received and accepted apologies from Cllr. A. Osibogun and received apologies from Buckinghamshire Cllrs. Fealey and Cornell.

06/21 Election of the Deputy Town Mayor

Members were asked to elect the Deputy Town Mayor for the forthcoming year. Cllr. W. Whyte was proposed by Cllr. O'Donoghue and seconded by Cllr. Mordue. There being no further nominations, it was **RESOLVED** unanimously – that Cllr. Whyte be elected Deputy Town Mayor of Buckingham, to hold office until the next Annual Statutory Meeting of the Council. Cllr. Try gave a speech noting Cllr. Whyte's experience and service to Buckingham.

07/21 Vote of thanks to the outgoing Deputy Mayor

Cllr. Collins gave a speech recognising the work of Cllr. Try during his time as Deputy Town Mayor.

08/21 Appointment of the Mayoral Consort

Mr. P. Gateley was presented with the Badge of Office by the Mayor, Cllr. M. Gateley.

09/21 Nomination of the Mayor's Chaplain

The Revd. T. Edworthy was appointed by the Mayor to be her chaplain. At the Mayor's invitation Revd. Edworthy led the Council in a prayer.

10/21 Town Mayor's Announcements

Cllr. Gateley welcomed newly elected Town and Buckinghamshire Councillors and said she was looking forward to working together through consensus, respecting each other's needs and opinions, learning to listen and seek mutuality acceptable outcomes.

Meeting closed at: 8.11pm

Signed Date

Town Mayor