

Minutes of an **Extraordinary** meeting of The Full Council of Buckingham Town Council held on Monday 20th June 2022 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham.

Present: Cllr. R. Ahmed
Cllr. M. Cole JP
Cllr. F. Davies
Cllr. A. Mahi
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue
Cllr. A. Ralph
Cllr. A. Schaefer Chair
Cllr. R. Stuchbury
Cllr. M. Try

Via Zoom: Cllr. A. Osibogun
Mrs. N. Stockill Estates Administrator

Also present: Mr. P. Hodson Town Clerk
Mr. L. Phillips Estates Manager
Ms. P. Cahill Committee Clerk

The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Schaefer chaired the meeting in the absence of Cllr. Gateley.

No members of the public attended and so there was no public session.

Members observed a minute's silence to express sadness at the death of Don Burgess. Cllr. Schaefer informed members that the internment will be held on Wednesday 13th July. Details of the funeral will be forwarded once available.

73/22 Apologies for absence

Members received apologies from Cllr. Collins, Cllr. Gateley, Cllr. Harvey, Cllr. Hetherington, Cllr. Mordue and Cllr. Whyte.

74/22 Declarations of interest

Cllrs. Schaefer, Mahi and O'Donoghue declared that they are Linden Village residents.

COMMITTEE IN PRIVATE SESSION

Exclusion of Public and Press

RECOMMENDED In terms of Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972, the following items will be likely to disclose exempt information relating to establishment and contractual matters and it is, therefore, **RECOMMENDED** that pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded. **AGREED**

75/22 Land for sale

Members noted that the following plot of land has been advertised "for sale" by auction and considered whether the Council wished to bid to purchase the site:

BTC/03/22

Land and Roadways on The South Side Of Stratford Road, Buckingham, Buckinghamshire, MK18 7HX

Site area approximately 91,459 sq m

Guide Price £5,000

- Council officers are in the process of obtaining reports from the Council's professional advisors in respect of the above and further information will be circulated as received.

The land is for sale for £5,000 but fees will be at least £1,900 more. There are three options:

1. We take the view that it is unsaleable, and Buckinghamshire Council will continue to cut the grass and so do nothing.
2. Appoint a valuer and bid for the land at auction.
3. Approach the owner beforehand and make an offer before the auction.

Members discussed the potential hidden risks of drains and trees.

Cllr. Cole informed members that the property appeared to have been removed from sale on the RightMove website.

Members agreed to request that the Council's solicitor writes to the agent to clarify if the land has been sold, making clear that Buckingham Town Council owns some of the land and asking if the owner would consider a discussion regarding interest in the land.

ACTION TOWN CLERK

76/22 Chair's announcements

There were none.

77/22 Date of the next meeting:

Interim Council: Monday 27th June 2022

Full Council: Monday 18th July 2022

Meeting closed at 19:33pm

Signed

Date