

Minutes of a meeting of **The Full Council** of Buckingham Town Council held on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham.

**Present:**

Cllr. R. Ahmed	
Cllr. M. Cole JP	
Cllr. G. Collins	
Cllr. F. Davies	
Cllr. M. Gateley	
Cllr. J. Harvey	
Cllr. A. Mahi	
Cllr. H. Mordue	
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue	
Cllr. A. Osibogun	Vice-Chair
Cllr. A. Ralph	
Cllr. A. Schaefer	Town Mayor
Cllr. R. Stuchbury	
Cllr. R. Willett	

**Also present:**

Ms. C. Molyneux	Town Clerk
Ms. P. Cahill	Committee Clerk

**Absent:** Cllr. M. Try

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

### **371/23 Apologies for absence**

Members received and accepted apologies for absence from Cllr. Try.

### **372/23 Declarations of interest**

Cllr. Stuchbury noted that, as a member of the North Buckinghamshire Area Planning Committee, he will not be voting on applications.

### **373/23 Minutes**

Members agreed as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Full Council meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

Cllr. Cole noted that there was a very full action list on these minutes and that the Full Council does not meet again until 18<sup>th</sup> December. The Town Clerk agreed, if the Chair permits, that the action list will be added to the Interim agenda in November.

**ACTION TOWN CLERK**

### **374/23 Planning Committee**

Members received the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023, 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023, and 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

### **375/23 Town Centre and Events Committee**

Members received the minutes of the Town Centre and Events Committee meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

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**376/23 Environment Committee**

Members received the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023.

**377/23 Resources Committee**

Members received the minutes of the Resources Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023 and the Extraordinary Resources Committee meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

**378/23 Application for new premises licence – Greek House Souvlaki, 4 West Street**

Members received a report from the Town Clerk.

It is recommended that Members consider whether to submit a response to application PR202310-333441.

Members discussed the number of hours when alcohol is permitted to be sold and concluded that these are the standard premises licence hours.

Cllr. Cole Proposed that we submit a response stating that Buckingham Town Council have no objection. Cllr. O'Donoghue Seconded. A vote was taken, and the result was:

For: 14

Against: 0

Abstention: 1

**ACTION COMMITTEE CLERK**

**379/23 Cemetery consultation and resolution**

Members received a report from the Town Clerk and the Compliance and Projects Manager.

It is recommended that Members note the outcome of the revised cemetery and allotment consultation which closed on 17th October 2023.

Cllr. Stuchbury Proposed, Cllr. O'Donoghue Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** the recommendation.

Members recorded their thanks to Officers for their hard work.

Cllr. Stuchbury Proposed that we ask Officers to write a summary of the main hurdles in reaching this conclusion. Seconded by Cllr. Willett. Members unanimously **AGREED**.

**ACTION TOWN CLERK**

It is recommended that Members *RESOLVE to seek the approval of the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to apply for a Public Works Loan Board loan of £1,250,000 over the borrowing term of 50 years for the creation of a new cemetery and allotments. The annual loan repayments will come to around £72000. It is also intended to increase the council tax precept for the purpose of the loan repayments by 0.22% which is the equivalent of an additional £2600 a year. The required precept increase consultation has already taken place.*

Cllr. Harvey Proposed and Cllr. Davies Seconded. A vote was taken, and the result was:

For: Cllr. Ahmed, Cllr. Cole, Cllr. Collins, Cllr. Davies, Cllr. Gateley, Cllr. Harvey, Cllr. Mahi, Cllr. Mordue, Cllr. O'Donoghue, Cllr. Osibogun, Cllr. Ralph, Cllr. Schaefer, Cllr. Stuchbury and Cllr. Willett.

Against: 0

Abstention: 0

**380/23 Committee calendar 2024**

Members received and agreed the Committee calendar for 2024.

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*PUBLIC SECTOR EQUALITY DUTY 2010/CRIME AND DISORDER ACT, 1988: the decisions made during the course of the meeting were duly considered and it was decided that there were no resulting direct or indirect implications in respect of crime and disorder, or equalities considerations, other than those stated in the minutes.*

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**381/23 Chair's announcements**

The Chair reminded Members that this weekend is Bonfire and Fireworks and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November is the Remembrance Parade.

**382/23 Date of the next meeting:** Interim Council: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Full Council: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023

**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. Members unanimously **AGREED**.

**383/23 Cemetery – land purchase.**

Members received a report from the Town Clerk.

Cllr. Stuchbury Proposed that we agree the recommendations and thanked the Town Clerk, the Officers and the Green Spaces Team for their work and patience in achieving this milestone. Cllr. O'Donoghue Seconded.

Recommendations:

- 1.1 Unanimously **AGREED**.
- 1.2 Unanimously **AGREED**.
- 1.3 Unanimously **AGREED**.
- 1.4 Unanimously **AGREED**.

Meeting closed at 19:20pm

Signed ..... Date .....