

IM/02/23

Minutes of an **Interim Council Meeting** of Buckingham Town Council held at 7pm on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023 in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham.

**Present:**

Cllr. F. Davies	
Cllr. L. Draper	
Cllr. M. Gateley	
Cllr. J. Harvey	
Cllr. A. Mahi	
Cllr. J. Mordue	
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue	
Cllr. A. Osibogun	Vice Chair
Cllr. A. Ralph	
Cllr. A. Schaefer	Town Mayor/Chair
Cllr. R. Stuchbury	
Cllr. M. Try	
Cllr. R. Willett	

**Via Zoom:** Cllr. M. Cole JP

**Also present:**

Ms. C. Molyneux	Town Clerk
Ms. P. Cahill	Committee Clerk
Mr. S. Beech	Compliance & Projects Manager
Mrs. K. McElligott	Planning Clerk
Mrs. C. Cumming	Buckingham Society

**Absent:**

Cllr. R. Ahmed
Cllr. G. Collins
Cllr. H. Mordue

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

**459/23 Apologies for absence**

Members received and accepted apologies for absence from Cllr. Ahmed, Cllr. Collins and Cllr. Mordue.

**460/23 Welcome to new Councillors**

The Chair welcomed our two new Councillors Lucy Draper and Jane Mordue. Members noted that Cllr. Draper and Cllr. Mordue have signed their Declaration of Office in the presence of the Proper Officer.

**461/23 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**462/23 Appointment to Committees**

Members **AGREED** the appointment of Cllr. Draper to the following Committees: Town Centre and Events, Planning and Environment.

Members **AGREED** the appointment of Cllr. J. Mordue to the following Committees: Planning, Resources and Communications Strategy Group.

**463/23 Representatives on outside bodies**

Members **AGREED** representatives for vacancies:  
Cllr. Davies for the Buckingham and Gawcott Charitable Trust. Cllr. Stuchbury Proposed, Cllr. Harvey Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED**.  
Cllr. Draper for the Buckingham Community Wildlife Project. Cllr. Draper Proposed, Cllr. Schaefer Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED**.  
Cllr. Harvey for the New Super Council’s Network. Cllr. Harvey Proposed, Cllr. O’Donoghue Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED**.  
Cllr. Gateley for the Twinning Association. Cllr. Gateley Proposed, Cllr. Willett Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED**.  
Cllr. Schaefer for the Rural Market Towns Group. Cllr. Schaefer Proposed, Cllr. O’Donoghue Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED**.  
Cllr. Willett Proposed, Cllr. J. Mordue Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** that Cllr. Willett is the new Lead Councillor for Bonfire and Fireworks.  
Members thanked Cllr. Mahi for his hard work and diligence over the past 14 years in this role.

**464/23 Action list**

Members reviewed the action report.  
Cllr. Stuchbury Proposed that the findings of the report that will be taken to the Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee are brought to a future meeting. Cllr. Gateley Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED**.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> November the Town Clerk chased for a response regarding the 2018 river pollution; it has been agreed that a response will be given within 20 working days. The Town Clerk will chase if necessary and confirmed that this will be brought to the next appropriate Full Council meeting.

Cllr. Davies requested clarification regarding the action – “that officers compile a report that outlines the history of the new cemetery development”. The Town Clerk asked Members how much officer time they would like devoted to this task; the task could be extremely time consuming as it is vital that it is accurate and evidenced. Members discussed officer time and suggested levels of detail.

The Town Clerk suggested that a report is brought to the next meeting with three options which will show officer time requirements. Members unanimously **AGREED**.

**ACTION TOWN CLERK**

The Town Clerk informed Members that a response regarding the PSPO complaint was received on Friday and Members will be updated.

**465/23 Chair’s announcements**

The Chair reminded Councillors that the Christmas Parade takes place on 16<sup>th</sup> December and Marshalls are needed.

**466/23 Date of next meetings:** Full Council: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
Interim Council: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Meeting closed at 19:29pm

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

27<sup>th</sup> November 2023