

Minutes of an **Interim Council Meeting** of Buckingham Town Council held at 7pm on Monday 14th April 2025 in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham.

Present:

Cllr. T. Allen	
Cllr. M. Cole JP	
Cllr. F. Davies	Vice Chair
Cllr. L. Draper	
Cllr. M. Gateley	
Cllr. J. Harvey	
Cllr. A. Mahi	
Cllr. H. Mordue	
Cllr. J. Mordue	
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue	
Cllr. A. Ralph	
Cllr. R. Stuchbury	
Cllr. M. Try	

Also present:

Ms. C. Molyneux	Town Clerk
Ms. P. Cahill	Committee Clerk
Ms. H. Haydock	
Mrs. C. Cumming	
Mrs. K. McElligott	

Absent:

Cllr. R. Ahmed
Cllr. G. Collins
Cllr. A. Osibogun
Cllr. A. Schaefer

There was no public session – Ms. Haydock attended to observe the meeting.

Cllr. Davies, Vice-Chair, chaired the meeting in the absence of Cllr. Schaefer.

675/24 Apologies for absence

Members received apologies for absence from Cllr. Ahmed, Cllr. Osibogun and Cllr. Schaefer.

676/24 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

677/24 Minutes

Members agreed as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on 16th December 2024, the Precept meeting held on 27th January 2025, the Extraordinary Full Council meeting held on 12th February 2025, and the Full Council meeting held on 17th March 2025.

678/24 Interim minutes

Members agreed as a correct record the minutes of the Interim Council meetings held on 2nd December 2024 and 24th February 2025.

679/24 Environment Committee

Members received the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 17th February 2025.

680/24 Town Centre and Events Committee

Recommendation: To agree a three-year contract with Plantscape at a cost of £25,320.71 (2025 - £8025.60, 2026 £8446.88 and 2027 - £8848.23) to provide summer and winter planters in the town centre, outside Shopmobility and outside Lace Hill Community Centre.

Cllr. Draper Proposed, Cllr. Stuchbury Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** the recommendation.

681/24 New cemetery expenditure authorisation

Members received a report from the Town Clerk.

It is recommended that Members agree to pay £20,024.64 for the Electrical Connection to National Grid (Cemeteries Development - 253/4619)

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

ACTION ESTATES MANAGER

682/24 Mayor's robes

Members received a report from the Town Clerk.

1.1 It is recommended that Members choose from the following three options.

- 1.1.1. Purchase a Melton mayoral robe (recommended) at a cost of £2,143.
- 1.1.2. Purchase a Doeskin mayoral robe at a cost of £2,369.
- 1.1.3. Have the old robe adjusted (not recommended).

Cllr. Draper Proposed, Cllr. O'Donoghue Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** recommendation 1.1.1.

ACTION OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR AND PLANNING CLERK

683/24 Internal controls check

Members received a report from the Compliance and Projects Manager.

It is recommended that Members agree the unamended Internal Controls document.

Cllr. Stuchbury Proposed, Cllr. Gateley Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** the recommendation.

684/24 Committed expenditure report

Members received a report from the Finance Officer

It is recommended that Members agree to move any planned spending from the current financial year (ending in 2025) to the next year (ending in 2026). This means that any spending that has been committed but not yet paid for or completed should be included in the accounts for the following year.

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

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685/24 Bourton Park footbridge removal and Right of Way

Members received a report from the Estates Manager.

It is recommended that Members agree to offer the Memorandum of Understanding to Buckinghamshire Council.

Cllr. Gateley Proposed, Cllr. Harvey Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** the recommendation.
ACTION ESTATES MANAGER

Member thanked the Estates Manager for his work on this.

686/24 Dates of the next meetings:

Annual Statutory Meeting Monday 12th May 2025

Full Council: Monday 12th May 2025

Interim Council: Monday 16th June 2025

Meeting closed at 7:16pm

Signed Date