

Minutes of an **Interim Council Meeting** of Buckingham Town Council held at 7pm on Monday 16th June 2025 in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham.

Present:

Cllr. R. Ahmed	
Cllr. T. Allen	
Cllr. F. Davies	Town Mayor/Chair
Cllr. J. Harvey	
Cllr. H. Haydock	
Cllr. A. Mahi	Vice Chair
Cllr. H. Mordue	
Cllr. J. Mordue	
Cllr. R. Newell	
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue	
Cllr. A. Schaefer	
Cllr. S. Singh	
Cllr. R. Stuchbury	
Cllr. M. Try	

Also present:

Ms. C. Molyneux	Town Clerk
Ms. P. Cahill	Committee Clerk
Mr. S. Beech	Compliance and Projects Manager
Mrs. C. Cumming	Buckingham Society
Mrs. K. McElligott	Planning Officer
Mr. R. Newall	
Mr. R. Poppe	
Mr. M. Moyse	
Ms. M. Simons	

Absent: Cllr. L. Draper

Public session

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

82/25 Apologies for absence

Members received apologies from Cllr. Draper.

83/25 Declarations of interest

There were none.

84/25 Signing of the Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Members noted that all outstanding declarations have been signed in advance of this meeting.

85/25 Co-option of one Councillor for Buckingham North ward and one Councillor for Buckingham South ward

Members received presentations from Mr. Roger Newall, Mr. Michael Moyse and Mr. Russell Poppe.

The Planning Clerk arrived at 7:09pm.

IM/01/25

85/25.1 A vote was taken for the Buckingham North ward Councillor, and the result was:
Mr. Roger Newall 10 votes
Mr. Michael Moyse 0 votes
Mr. Russell Poppe 4 votes

85/25.2 A vote was taken for the Buckingham South ward Councillor, and the result was:
Mr. Michael Moyse 2 votes
Mr. Russell Poppe 12 votes

Mr. Roger Newall is co-opted as Councillor for Buckingham North ward and Mr. Russell Poppe is co-opted as Councillor for Buckingham South ward.

Cllr. Newall and Cllr. Poppe signed their Declarations of Office and joined the meeting.

86/25 Bridge tender – Recommendation from Environment

78/25 - Recommendation: to proceed with the tender from company 14 to remove the footbridge in Bourton Park.

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

Cllr. Try thanked the officer for the clear information pack.

87/25 Annual Internal Auditor's Report, the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, and Accounting Statements.

The Town Clerk explained that there were no issues raised on the AGAR. The minor issues raised on page 21 were explained. There was an issue with a member of staff's pay; apologies have been made and this has been resolved.

87/25.1 Annual Internal Audit Report 2024/25.
Cllr. Harvey Proposed, Cllr. Schaefer Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED.**

87/25.2 Annual Governance Statement 2024/25.
Cllr. Harvey Proposed, Cllr. Schaefer Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED.**

87/25.3 Accounting Statements 2024/25.
Cllr. Harvey Proposed, Cllr. Schaefer Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED.**

87/25.4 Internal Audit Observations with RFO's responses.
Cllr. Harvey Proposed, Cllr. Schaefer Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED.**

The Mayor signed the Annual Governance Statement and the Accounting Statements.

The Clerk signed the Annual Governance Statement.

Members thanked the Town Clerk and her team for their work.

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88/25 Exercise of Public Rights.

Members noted the dates set by the RFO for the Exercise of Public Rights as being Monday 23rd June to Friday 1st August 2025.

Cllr. Stuchbury Proposed, Cllr. Try Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED**.

89/25 Ear-marked reserves

Members received a report from the Town Clerk.

- 1.1 It is recommended that Members agree the attached ear-marked reserves for the 2025-2026 financial year.

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

90/25 Osier Way Street Naming

Members considered if the street names for Osier Way phases 2,3,4 have one common theme or an individual theme for each phase.

Cllr. Harvey Proposed one common theme. Cllr. Ahmed Seconded. Cllr. Newell feels that the decision should be made based on the number of streets to be named. The Planning Clerk indicated that there would be approximately twelve streets, names of which will be chosen from a suggested twenty names.

A vote was taken, and the result was:

For: 14
Against: 2
Abstentions: 0

91/25 Representatives on outside bodies

Cllr. Davies Proposed, Cllr. O'Donoghue Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** Cllr. Haydock, Cllr. Draper and Cllr. Newell as representatives for Buckingham Community Wildlife Project and Climate Emergency Group.

92/25 Chair's announcements - for information only

The Chair welcomed Cllr. Newall and Cllr. Poppe, and asked Mr. Moyse to keep us in mind if another vacancy arises.

93/25 Date of next meetings:

Full Council: Monday 7th July 2025
Monday 15th September 2025
Interim Council: Monday 13th October 2025

Meeting closed at 8:03pm

Signed Date

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