

Minutes of a meeting of the **Full Council** of Buckingham Town Council, held on Monday 28th July 2025 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham.

Present:

Cllr. R. Ahmed	
Cllr. T. Allen	
Cllr. F. Davies	Town Mayor
Cllr. L. Draper	
Cllr. J. Harvey	
Cllr. H. Haydock	
Cllr. A. Mahi	Deputy Mayor
Cllr. H. Mordue	
Cllr. J. Mordue	
Cllr. R. Newall	
Cllr. R. Newell	
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue	
Cllr. R. Poppe	
Cllr. A. Schaefer	
Cllr. S. Singh	
Cllr. R. Stuchbury	

Also present:

Ms. C. Molyneux	Town Clerk
Ms. N. Stockill	Estates Administrator
Mr. M. Cole JP	Chair of Neighbourhood Plan WG
Mr. A. Ralph	Vice Chair of Neighbourhood Plan WG
One member of the public	

Absent: Cllr. M. Try

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

183/25 Apologies for absence

Members received apologies for absence from Cllr. Try.

184/25 Declarations of interest

There were none.

185/25 Neighbourhood Development Plan

Members unanimously **AGREED** to suspend Standing Orders to allow Mark Cole JP to speak.

Mark Cole, Chair of the Buckingham Neighbourhood Plan Working Group, presented the final recommendations following 30 months of work and 41 meetings of the Town Council and its Neighbourhood Development Working Group. The plan underwent Regulation 16 consultation earlier this year, after which it was examined independently to ensure conformity with the 2023 National Planning Policy Framework. The Examiner recommended around 20 modifications for clarity and legality, all of which were accepted by the Working Group on 10th July 2025. As additional advice from O'Neill Homer (ONH) consultants has since been resolved, no further amendments are required. If the Council accepts the recommendations in full, Buckinghamshire Council will proceed to schedule a

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referendum, possibly in September. The examiner commended the high quality of both the plan and the Design Code. Mr. Cole JP expressed thanks to the Working Group members, officers, and ONH consultants for their contributions.

Proposed by Cllr. Davies seconded by Cllr. Draper and unanimously **AGREED** to resume standing orders.

Members received a report from the Compliance and Projects Manager.

It is recommended that Members agree the Independent Examiner's recommended amendments to the Neighbourhood Plan in full.

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

186/25 Chair's announcements - for information only

There were none.

187/25 Date of the next meetings:

Full Council: Monday 15th September 2025

Interim Council: Monday 13th October 2025

Meeting closed at 19.11pm

Signed Date