



Yeovil Town Council

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Minutes of the meeting of Yeovil Town Council held on Tuesday 2nd February 2016 at 7.30pm in the Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil BA20 1PQ

Present: Cllrs M Lock (Chairman & Mayor), D Shutler (Deputy Mayor), K Castle, P Chandler, J Conway, G Freeman-Bell, P Gubbins, A Kendall, T Ledlie, P Lock, T Lock, S Lowery, E Potts-Jones, W Read, D Recardo, M Roper, A Smith and R Stickland.

In Attendance: A Card (Town Clerk), Rev J Pearce (Mayor's Chaplain), Ms M Lovell-Fox and Mr M Flower (St Margaret's Somerset Hospice) and Mr J Evans (Yeovil College).

There were no members of the public and no members of the press present.

7.30pm – The Mayor's Chaplain, Rev J Pearce led the meeting in Prayers.

Before the meeting started the Mayor of Yeovil (Cllr M Lock) presented grant aid of £2,500 to St Margaret's Somerset Hospice which was received by Ms M Lovell-Fox.

7:38pm – Ms M Lovell-Fox and Mr M Flower left the meeting.

Principal John Evans from Yeovil College gave an update on Yeovil College and the plan for the construction of a new building on the college campus. He extended an invitation to Members to come to the college for a tour.

8:08pm – Mr J Evans left the meeting.

Public Question Time

There were no members of the public present.

8:10 pm - The meeting commenced.

9/76 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER THE REASONS GIVEN

Council to receive apologies for absence and consider the reasons given. *LGA 1972 s85(1)*

Apologies were received from: Cllr Hussain and Cllr Oakes – both detained at work.

RESOLVED: To accept the apologies with the reasons given.

9/77 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e). (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).

Cllr P Gubbins declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9/86 (Termination of Delegated Licensing Agreement) by virtue of being the Portfolio Holder for Licencing at South Somerset District Council.

9/78 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 1st December 2015.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the last meeting held on 1st December 2015 be signed as a correct record.

9/79 MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S RECENT AND FORTHCOMING ENGAGEMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were two additions and one amendment to the list of engagements as follows:

13.01.16	The Mayor of Yeovil, Councillor Mike Lock 25 Years in Pictures by Len Copland.
29.01.16	The Mayor of Yeovil, Councillor Mike Lock attended the Yeovil Amateur Pantomime Society Snow White and the Seven Dwarves (not the Quiz night as stated in the agenda).
08.02.16	The Mayor of Yeovil, Councillor Mike Lock will attend the Yeovil Twinning Association Annual Dinner.

RESOLVED: To note the Mayor's and Deputy Mayor's recent and forthcoming appointments and engagements.

9/80 ESTIMATES (BUDGETS) 2016/17

The Chairmen of Policy, Resources and Finance Committee highlighted two errors within the agenda. The item should have read:

"To approve the recommendation by the Policy, Resources and Finance Committee for setting the Town's precept for 2016/17 for £878,640 as set out in the Minutes of the meeting of that Committee held on 26 January 2016 (separately circulated). This means an increase on a Band D charge of £1.91 (2%), increasing from £95.57 to £97.48.

Council is **RECOMMENDED** to approve the Town's Precept for 2016/17 as £878,640."

RESOLVED: to approve the Town's Precept for 2016/17 as £878,640.

9/81 TOWN MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR

Council considered nominations for the office of Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2016/17.

It was proposed by Cllr P Chandler, seconded by Cllr M Roper that Cllr D Shutler be nominated for the office of Town Mayor for the Municipal Year 2016/17.

RESOLVED: that Cllr Shutler be nominated for the office of Town Mayor for the Municipal Year 2016/17.

It was then proposed by Cllr T Lock, seconded by Cllr D Shutler that Cllr D Recardo be nominated for the office of Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2016/17.

RESOLVED: that Cllr D Recardo be nominated for the office of Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2016/17.

9/72 REPORT OF RECOMMENDATIONS & RESOLUTIONS FROM COUNCIL'S COMMITTEES

Grounds & General Maintenance Committee – 11th January 2016

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr Manny Roper explained the water issues at Newton Allotments and the requirement to address the issue of detecting and repairing a leak.

RESOLVED: 1) to delegate to the Committee Chairman, in conjunction with the Town Clerk issue; and 2) the costs of detection and repairing to be settled from the Grounds & General Maintenance Committee.

Promotions & Activities Committee – 12th January 2016

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr David Recardo. Councillors were informed that a demonstration had been requested regarding the LED screen displays. Officers from South Somerset District Council and the Quedam will be invited with the potential of working together on this project and having more than one LED screen that links.

Planning & Licensing Committee – 18th January 2016.

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr Pauline Lock. There were no questions or comments.

Buildings & Civic Matters Committee – 19th January 2016

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr Rob Stickland. There were no questions or comments.

Policy, Resources & Finance Committee – 26th January 2016

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr Tony Lock asked for ratification for those Resolutions and Recommendations taken at its meeting on 26th January 2016, in particular: no zero hour contracts; the risk strategy/assessment; the Mayor Making procedures and the re-grading of the role of Assistant Town Clerk to Deputy Town Clerk.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the above Committees be accepted together with any resolutions and recommendations contained therein.

9/83 REPORTS AND REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Members who represent the Town Council on Outside Bodies may wish to take the opportunity to report on any matters of interest.

Yeovil Crematorium and Cemetery Committee – 20th January 2016

Cllr P Gubbins declared a personal interest by virtue of being the Portfolio Holder for the Crematorium at South Somerset District Council.

Presented by Committee Chairman, Cllr Manny Roper. There were no questions or comments.

Cllr D Recardo, as Governor for Yeovil District Council, gave a verbal update about the new modular ward (for assessment for emergency care) and also the carpark work. A written update has been circulated to Members.

9/84 PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS 2016/17

Members reviewed the programme and a discussion was held about moving Policy, Resources and Finance Committee to a Monday. This will be discussed further at the next Policy, Resources and Finance Committee.

RESOLVED: To adopt the programme of meetings for 2016/17 subject to discussion and recommendation from the Policy, Resources and Finance Committee (concerning the Policy, Resources and Finance Committee dates of meetings).

9/85 CHANGE OF START TIME FOR PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: to approve that the start time for the Planning and Licensing Committee change to 7:00pm, with effect from 15th February 2016.

9/86 TERMINATION OF DELEGATED LICENSING AGREEMENT

RESOLVED: 1) to note the report; and 2) to agree to terminate the delegated licensing agreement on 31st March 2016.

The meeting was closed by the Mayor at 9.22pm.

Signed:

Dated: