

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF BURY ST EDMUNDS TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 09 NOVEMBER 2011
AT 8:01 PM AT THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES,
7 ANGEL HILL, BURY ST EDMUNDS**

PRESENT: Cllrs Cockle (Chairman), Nettleton (Vice Chairman), Chung, Cornish Farmer, Hartley, C Hind, K Hind, Moffat, Oliver Ridgeway, Simner, Turner and Warby.

ALSO PRESENT: Julia Dyball (Town Clerk), Sue Hindry (Assistant Town Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer).

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND REASONS THEREFORE

Apologies were received and reasons accepted from Cllrs Rout (working away) and Springett (work – conference in London). Cllr Taylor was absent. It was noted that apologies should be given to the Clerk otherwise they would not be accepted.

2. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST + ADDITIONS TO REGISTERS

All Borough Councillors when sitting at Town Council level (and vice versa) are advised to declare as follows: "that I may vote differently at Borough Council (*substitute Town Council as and when required*) level from that recorded at this meeting because of the possibility of further information being made available to me at that other tier of local government".

3. TO CONFIRM, ADOPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES: MEETING 26 OCTOBER 2011

Resolution Record No. BSETC/173/09/Nov/11

That the Minutes of the Meeting of Bury St Edmunds Full Town Council of 26 October 2011 be agreed and signed as a true record.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present.

5. TO CONSIDER FUNDING A CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR SHOPPING BUS WHICH WOULD LOOP ROUND THE ESTATES AND INTO THE TOWN CENTRE

Cllr Ridgeway left the meeting at 8.08 pm.

Resolution Record No. BSETC/174/09/Nov/11

That (1) Bury St Edmunds Town Council funds a Christmas shopping bus using a 44-seater super-low floor bus on each of two routes looping round the estates and into the town centre on an hourly service at a cost of £275 per bus per day on four Sundays viz. 27 November, 4 December, 11 December and 18 December 2011 [Local Government Act 1972 s.137]; (2) a charity collection bucket be provided on each bus with all proceeds to St Nicholas Hospice; (3) Mulley's offer to count and bank the donations and issue a cheque for the proceeds which would be jointly presented to the hospice be accepted and (4) Cllr Oliver's offer to donate £1,000 from his Suffolk County Council locality budget be accepted.

6. MOTION/RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE TEMPORARILY THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

It was resolved to exclude temporarily the public and press for the remaining items due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed concerning: *staffing and employment matters*.

Meeting adjourned for five minutes at 8.09 pm and re-convened at 8.15pm; Councillor Ridgeway left the meeting. The Assistant Town Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer left the meeting. Julia Dyball, Town Clerk, was present to clerk this session.

7. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON STAFFING MATTERS

The Council discussed the issue of staff being called upon to work out of normal office hours and other staffing related matters.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of next meeting: **Wednesday 30 November 2011 at 7pm.**

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____