

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BURY ST EDMUNDS TOWN
COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19 OCTOBER 2016 AT 7.02 PM AT THE
TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES, 7 ANGEL HILL, BURY ST EDMUNDS**

PRESENT: Cllrs Speed (Chairman), F Warby (Vice Chairman), Augustine, Barrett, Chung, Everitt (8.49pm), Hailstone, D Hind, K Hind, Hopfensperger, Rayner, Murray, Rout, Springett, Thompson and Williamson.

ALSO PRESENT: Julia Dyball (Town Clerk), Sue Hindry (Assistant Town Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer), Damien Parker (Service Manager (Operations Leisure and Culture) St Edmundsbury Borough Council, Warren Smyth (Chief Executive, Abbeycroft Leisure), Julia Reed (Head of Development, Theatre Royal), a representative of 6th Bury St Edmunds (St Mary's) Scouts and a reporter from the East Anglian Daily Times.

1. CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION

An overview was given.

2. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND REASONS THEREFORE

Apologies were received and the reasons accepted from Cllr P Warby (unwell). Cllr Everitt would be late as he was attending another meeting.

3. 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". Cllrs Chung, Hailstone, D Hind, Hopfensperger, Rayner, Rout, Speed, Springett, Thompson and F Warby declared a local non-pecuniary interest as a Borough Councillor.

4. TO CONSIDER ANY WRITTEN APPLICATION BY A MEMBER FOR A DISPENSATION RELIEVING THE MEMBER FROM EITHER OR BOTH OF THE RESTRICTIONS IN SECTION 31(4) OF THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 IN CASES DESCRIBED IN THE DISPENSATION AND SPECIFY THE PERIOD FOR WHICH ANY DISPENSATION SO GRANTED HAS EFFECT

None.

5. TO CONFIRM, ADOPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES: 12 OCTOBER 2016 MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/083/19/Oct/16**

The minutes of Wednesday 12 October 2016 were amended to reflect that Cllr Rout was not present and the meeting ended at 6.51pm.

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/084/19/Oct/16**

That the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of Wednesday 12 October 2016 as amended be agreed and signed as a true record.

6. PUBLIC FORUM

A presentation was made by a representative of 6th Bury St Edmunds (St Mary's) Scouts in connection with its grant application.

7. TO RECEIVE PRESENTATIONS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF ABBEYCROFT LEISURE AND ST EDMUNDSBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL IN RESPECT OF AGENDA ITEM 12 (GREEN GYM FOR MORETON HALL) AND OF THE THEATRE ROYAL IN RESPECT OF AGENDA ITEM 14

Presentations were made by representatives of Abbeycroft Leisure and St Edmundsbury Borough Council and the Theatre Royal.

8. CLERK'S REPORT FOR NOTING

Noted.

9. TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 2016 FINAL PAYMENTS LIST

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/085/19/Oct/16**

That the October 2016 final payments list as circulated be approved.

10. TO RECEIVE THE REPORTS AND ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS THEREIN (IF ANY) OF THE PLANNING LICENSING & FINANCE COMMITTEE OF 12 OCTOBER 2016

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/086/19/Oct/16**

That the end of September 2016 Bank Reconciliations, Budget Line Item Expenditure, Final Payments List and Cash Book Reports be adopted and signed.

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/087/19/Oct/16**

That the minutes of the Planning, Licensing & Finance committee meeting of 12 October 2016 be received and the recommendation therein be adopted.

11. IN RESPECT OF THE CURRENT YEAR'S BUDGET SURPLUS (SPECIFICALLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY BEING UNABLE TO FULFIL ITS INTENTION TO RECRUIT THE SECOND PCSO TO BE FUNDED BY BURY ST EDMUNDS TOWN COUNCIL TO START DUTIES THROUGHOUT BURY ST EDMUNDS FOLLOWING TRAINING IN THE AUTUMN) TO CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE PURPOSES TO WHICH SUCH SURPLUS SHOULD BE APPLIED

It was noted that general reserves available to spend were in the region of £56,000 plus £56,000 unspent in the PCSO budget. In addition £30,000 remains unspent in the grant funding pots and £42,000 in locality budgets; the remaining budget headings were generally small amounts which it is anticipated will be fully spent. It may be that funds will be earmarked for future projects such as the shuttle 'bus' which may be a project which is carried out with the future Destination Management Organisation and other partners.

Suggestions put forward included walk/run routes and green gyms in other parts of the town and consideration of providing further grant funding the Suffolk Air Ambulance Service towards their fund raising for a fully equipped emergency vehicle which would be based in Bury St Edmunds.

12. TO CONSIDER FUNDING THE PROVISION OF A GREEN GYM FOR MORETON HALL TO COMPLEMENT THE RECENTLY OPENED 5K RUN WALK ROUTE AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF £24,000

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/088/19/Oct/16**

That Bury St Edmunds Town Council funds the provision of a green gym for Moreton Hall to complement the recently opened 5k 'Run/Walk Route' in the sum of £24,000.

13. TO CONSIDER A GRANT APPLICATION FROM THE 6TH BURY ST EDMUNDS SCOUT GROUP FOR £7,171 TO COVER THE COST OF ROOF REPAIRS AND PROVISION OF A PERIMETER FENCE FOR THE AREA USED BY THE GROUP AT HARDWICK HEATH

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/089/19/Oct/16**

That the grant application from the 6th Bury St Edmunds Scout Group for £7,171 to cover the cost of roof repairs and provision of a perimeter fence for the area used by the Group at Hardwick Heath be approved.

14. TO CONSIDER A GRANT APPLICATION FROM THE THEATRE ROYAL FOR £10,500 (50% OF PROJECT COST) TOWARDS ITS ASSOCIATE ARTISTS PROGRAMME WHICH ENABLES THE THEATRE TO PROVIDE OUTREACH PROJECTS WITH OTHER BURY BASED PARTNER CHARITIES TO EDUCATE NURTURE AND EMPOWER THE SICK, ISOLATED AND DISADVANTAGED AND A FURTHER £15,500 (50% OF PROJECT COST) TOWARDS ITS TEN DAY CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL IN JUNE 2017 WHICH PROVIDES A RICH ARTISTIC, EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXPERIENCE FOR 3 – 13 YEAR OLDS WHICH ALSO SUPPORTS SUFFOLK'S "RAISING THE BAR" EDUCATION OBJECTIVE

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/090/19/Oct/16**

That the grant application from the Theatre Royal for £10,500 towards its Associate Artists Programme which enables the Theatre to provide outreach projects with other Bury based partner charities to educate nurture and empower the sick, isolated and disadvantaged and a further £15,500 towards its ten day Children's Festival in June 2017 which provides a rich artistic, educational and cultural experience for 3 – 13 year olds which also supports Suffolk's "Raising the Bar" education objective be approved.

15. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE WEST SUFFOLK OPERATIONAL HUB FROM CLLR THOMPSON

An update was given.

16. TO RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING ANY PROPOSED RESIDENTS CONCESSIONS REGARDING THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD ICE RINK – REPORT FROM CLLRS D HIND AND F WARBY

Project not going ahead this year.

17. TO CONSIDER FURTHER THE ST EDMUNDS DINNER ARRANGEMENTS AND AGREE TO PROVIDE A FURTHER £500 OF SUPPORT FUNDING AND ENABLE THE INVITATION OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM ORGANISATIONS WHO PLAY A PART IN THE WELLBEING OF BURY ST EDMUNDS.

Cllr Everitt joined the meeting at 8.40 pm.

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/091/19/Oct/16**

That a further £500 of support funding towards the St Edmunds Dinner arrangements, to enable representatives from organisations who play a part in the wellbeing of Bury St Edmunds to be invited to attend, be approved. (The representatives the Town Council has had dealings with from Bury in Bloom, Guildhall Project and FairTrade and a partner or colleague.)

18. MOTION/RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE TEMPORARILY THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PURSUANT TO THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 FROM THE MEETING DUE TO THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED CONCERNING: AWARD NOMINATIONS

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: *Award nominations*.

19. TO CONSIDER THE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE CITIZEN AND YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AND TO DECIDE THE WINNERS AND MAKE ANY FURTHER NECESSARY DECISIONS REGARDING THE ST EDMUNDS DAY AWARDS AND THE CELEBRATORY EVENING

It was noted that the deadline for the receipt of nominations had been extended to Wednesday 2 November 2016.

Resolution Record No. **BSETC/092/19/Oct/16**

That the selection of the winner of the Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year 2016 awards be delegated to the Planning, Licensing & Finance committee meeting on 9 November 2016.

20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of next meeting: **Wednesday 30 November 2016 at 7pm.**

The meeting ended at 9.02 pm.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____