

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF NEWBURY TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, MARKET PLACE, NEWBURY
ON WEDNESDAY 24th JUNE 2024 AT 7.30 PM.

PRESENT

Councillors Phil Barnett, Vera Barnett, Alistair Bounds, Jo Day, Nigel Foot, Roger Hunneman, Chris Hood, Ian Jee, Andy Moore (Mayor), Elizabeth O’Keeffe, Pam Lusby Taylor, Meg Thomas, Graham Storey.

OFFICERS PRESENT

Toby Miles-Mallowan, Chief Executive Officer

99. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Councillor Sam Dibas, Billy Drummond, David Harman, David Marsh, Steve Masters, Gary Norman, Martha Vickers, and Tony Vickers.

100. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chief Executive Officer declared that Councillors Phil Barnett, Nigel Foot, are also Members of West Berkshire Council, which is declared as a general interest on their behalf and a dispensation is in place to allow them to partake in discussions relating to West Berkshire Council business.

101. MINUTES

CEO **declared** that there is 2 amendments to the minutes in the agenda, namely that Councillors Jo Day and Ian Jee were both present at the council meeting on 8 May 2024.

CEO stated that on 9 May 2024 Councillor David Marsh withdrew the nomination of Councillor Steve Masters as Deputy Mayor for 2024/25.

PROPOSED: Councillor Thomas

SECONDED: Councillor Day

RESOLVED: That the minutes of a meeting of Newbury Town Council held on Monday 8th May 2024, be approved as a correct record, and signed by the Town Mayor.

102. QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no questions or petitions received from members of the public.

103. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

There were no questions or petitions from members of the Council.

104. TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT

The Town Mayor gave his first report to council. the Mayor thanked Councillor Day and the Town Council for coordinating the D-day celebrations. The Town Mayor commended the Mayor's attendant Gary Paulson for his support.

Councillor Miller also commended Councillor Day for her work on the D-day celebrations.

105. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The Chief Executive Officer's report was received and noted by the Council.

Questions were received:

Councillor Vickers asked whether there was wheelchair access to the Bandstand the Chief Executive responded that he would enquire and confirm wheelchair access to the Band Stand as a priority.

Councillor Foot commented that a member of the public wished to thank the Council with their efforts to clean the war memorial for the D-day celebrations. Councillor O'Keeffe further thanked Councillors Day and Jee for helping to clean the war memorial and organising the flower tribute.

Councillor Hunneman enquired as to whether a Clock would be installed in the council chamber. The Chief Executive confirmed that they would be installing a new clock.

106. DEPUTY LEADERS REPORT

The Council received the Deputy Leaders report, the Deputy Leader highlighted the success of the fundraising to support the D-day celebrations confirming that fundraising covered the cost for delivering the celebrations.

107. COMMITTEES

The Minutes of the following meetings were received and noted:

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| Planning & Highways Committee | 20 th May and 17 June 24 (draft) |
| Policy & Resources Committee (Draft) | 10 th June 2024 (draft) |

108. Proposal for Victoria Park Redevelopment

Presentations were made by Councillor Miller from the Community Services Committee and Councillor Hunneman from the Victoria Park Working Group Council Approved the plans by 'Michael Pagliaroli Architects Ltd option 2 Revision A

109. MAYORS BENEVOLENT FUND

Council approved changes presented to the charitable objectives and governing document of the Mayor of Newbury's Benevolent Fund to solely focus on raising funds for a charity chosen by the Mayor during their year in office.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE TOWN MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8:09PM

TOWN MAYOR: _____

DATE: _____