

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
TOWN HALL, MARKET PLACE, NEWBURY ON
MONDAY 19 MARCH 2018 AT 7.00 PM**

1. WELCOME BY THE TOWN MAYOR

The Mayor (Cllr David Fenn) welcomed those present to the Annual Town Meeting and the presentation of the Civic Awards.

2. Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on Monday 21 March 2017

It was agreed that the minutes of the ATM held on 20 March 2017 represented a true and accurate record of that meeting.

3. To receive the Annual Report from the elected Members of Newbury Town Council

The meeting watched an audio-visual presentation on the Annual report, followed by a short presentation from the Town Mayor and each of the Committee chairpersons.

(The full Annual Report (Appendix 1) is available on request from Newbury Town Council and is published on the Newbury Town Council website.)

4. Presentation of Civic Awards

The Mayor and the other judges (Greg Filmer of sponsors Swift and Ross Drake, Chairman, Newbury BID) presented the nominees for this year's Civic Awards with certificates of recognition for their voluntary services. There were 10 nominees for the Civic Award, 4 nominees for the Business Award and 1 nominee for the Young Persons Civic Award. Citations for each were read out by the Town Crier and Town Marshal. Details of all those nominated are at Appendix 2. The overall winners were Sandra Goodyear, Civic Award, Ellouise Greenall, the Young Persons Award and Mrs Wendy Berkeley of The Empire Café, won the inaugural Award for the businesses that contribute to the Community. The Mayor invited those present to retire for refreshments and adjourned the Annual Town Meeting.

INTERVAL and REFRESHMENTS

5. Public questions on the Annual Report

On the resumption of the Annual Town Meeting, the Mayor invited Members of the public to ask questions on any items arising from the matters covered in the Annual Report, and no questions were asked.

6. To hear the comments, requests and recommendations of the electors

Mr. Alan Mercado complimented the Town Council for its support to the Church of St. Johns at the recent service to mark the 75th Anniversary of the bombing of Newbury.

7. Closing remarks by the Town Mayor

The Mayor thanked the Members of the public for their attendance at the Annual Town Meeting and congratulated all of the nominees for the Civic Awards. He also thanked all of his fellow Councillors for their work and commitment to the community, which is entirely voluntary. On behalf of the elected Members of the Council he thanked the Council's staff for all their work in implementing the policies and objectives of the Council and delivering all of the projects and services outlined in the Annual report.

There were no further comments, requests or recommendations made.

The Mayor closed the meeting at 8.40 pm.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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