

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CIVIC PRIDE, ARTS & LEISURE COMMITTEE HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, MARKET PLACE, NEWBURY ON
MONDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2018 AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT

Councillors Howard Bairstow; Jeanette Clifford; Jo Day; Adrian Edwards; Miles Evans; Sarah Greenall; Margo Payne (Chairperson); Kuldip Singh Kang; Julian Swift-Hook.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Joyce Lewis, Civic Manager
Margaret Gore, Corporate Services Officer.

54. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor David Fish.

Absent: Councillors Arthur Johnson, Mike Johnston.

55. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

The Civic Manager declared that Councillors Howard Bairstow, Jeanette Clifford and Adrian Edwards declared that they 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.

56. MINUTES

PROPOSED: Councillor Howard Bairstow
SECONDED: Councillor Kuldip Singh Kang

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Civic Pride, Arts & Leisure Committee held on Monday 20 November 2017 be approved and signed by the Chairperson.

57. QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were none.

58. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

There were none.

59. NEWBURY ART TRAIL STEERING GROUP

The minutes of the Newbury Art Trail Steering Group for 9 January 2018 were received and noted by the Committee.

60. WORLD WARS WORKING GROUP

The minutes of the World Wars Working Group meetings held on 15 November 2017 and 7 February 2018 were received and noted by the Committee.

61. NEWBURY TOWN CIVIC AWARDS

The information regarding the launch of the Newbury Town Civic Award Schemes was received and noted by the Committee.

The Chairperson, Councillor Margo Payne, encouraged Members to nominate anyone they felt deserved an award.

62. COMMUNITY CLEAN 2018

The Chairperson, Councillor Margo Payne informed Members that the date for this year's Community Clean had been scheduled for Saturday 24 March 2018 commencing at 1.00 pm. Locations have already been agreed for Clay Hill, Falkland and Northcroft Wards.

The Chairperson also informed Members that the event is once again being sponsored by McDonalds who are supplying, hi-viz vests, litter pickers, disposable gloves, refuse sacks and hoops. McDonalds have also agreed to dispose of all rubbish collected.

63. CHARITY COFFEE MORNINGS

PROPOSED: Councillor Julian Swift-Hook

SECONDED: Councillor Kuldeep Singh Kang

RESOLVED: That the procedure for Charity Coffee morning as at Appendix 4 of the agenda be approved with the inclusion of 'non-profit making organisations'.

64. THE BOMBING OF NEWBURY 75TH ANNIVERSARY – 10 FEBRUARY 2018

The Chairperson, Councillor Margo Payne gave a short report about the day, she went on to thank all Councillors who supported the event.

Councillor Jeanette Clifford, thanked Councillor Payne for her outstanding address and hoped that it would be available on NTC's website in the future.

65. 100TH ANNIVERSARY SINCE THE START OF WOMEN RECEIVING THE VOTE

The Chairperson, Councillor Margo Payne introduced this item. It was agreed that an e-mail be sent to Members of this Committee, to invite suggestions of how this event could be celebrated. The following suggestions were put forward:

- A footpath within Victoria Park be named "Elsie Kimber Way". This is already being discussed by the Victoria Park Working Group.
- Suite 2, in the Town Hall be named "Elsie Kimber Room"
- A children's annual Hand writing / Calligraphy competition be organised,
- A children's short story (500 words) or piece of poetry.

It was agreed that this be an agenda item at the next meeting scheduled for Monday 11th June 2018.

66. CIVIC EVENTS

- a) The information provided by the Civic Manager was received and noted by the Committee.
- b) The information relating to future Civic Events as detailed on the agenda was received and noted by the Committee.
- c) Sunday 13th May 2018 - Victoria Park Fun Day, Members were asked to support this event.

67. RE-ENACTMENT OF THE 1st BATTLE OF NEWBURY

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Adrian Edwards introduced this item. He explained that the Newbury 1 Event Committee assisted by the English Civil War Society (ECWS) are organising a re-enactment of the 1st Battle of Newbury on 23-24 June 2018. This event is to mark the 375th anniversary of this battle and will be held on the original battlefield adjacent to Cope Hall Lane, Wash Common.

Councillor Edwards asked if this Council would support this event, which will attract a huge number of participants and audience, by way of distribution of posters & flyers and through its social media pages. He also asked for volunteers to help steward the event which cannot take place without enough voluntary support.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRPERSON DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.59PM.

CHAIRPERSON