Minutes of a meeting of the Full Council of Buckingham Town Council held on **Monday 30**th **September 2019** in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham at 7:00pm.

Present:

Cllr. T. Bloomfield

Cllr. M. Cole Mayor

Cllr. J. Harvey

Cllr. P. Hirons

Cllr. D. Isham

Cllr. A. Mahi

Cllr. H. Mordue

Cllr. Ms. R. Newell

Cllr. A. Ralph

Cllr. M. Smith

Cllr. Mrs. C. Strain-Clark

Cllr. M. Try

In attendance: Mr. P. Hodson Town Clerk

Mrs. N. Stockill Committee Clerk

367/19 Apologies for Absence

Members received and accepted apologies from Cllrs. O'Donoghue, G. Collins, P. Collins, Stuchbury, Gateley and County Councillor Whyte.

368/19 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs. Try and Mordue declared an interest in agenda item 17 (New Homes Bonus application for Buckingham Cricket Club).

369/19 Minutes

Members received and **AGREED** the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday 15th July 2019.

370/19 Planning Committee

Members received the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on:

- Monday 22nd July 2019
- Monday 12th August 2019
- Monday 9th September 2019

371/19 Town Centre and Events Committee

Members received the minutes of the Town Centre and Events Committee meetings held on Monday 29th July 2019

372/19 Environment Committee

Members received the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Monday 2nd September 2019

373/19 Resources Committee

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PUBLIC SECTOR EQUALITY DUTY 2010/CRIME AND DISORDER ACT, 1988: the decisions made during the course of the meeting were duly considered and it was decided that there were no resulting direct or indirect implications in respect of crime and disorder, or equalities considerations, other than those stated in the minutes.

Members received the draft minutes of the Resources Committee meeting held on Monday 23rd September 2019

Proposed by Cllr. Stuchbury, seconded by Cllr. Newell and unanimously **AGREED** to RECOMMEND to Full Council for the renovations to take place to the revised scope described, providing this can be achieved within the revised budget of £150,000.

AGREED

374/19 EDWG Minutes

Members received and noted the draft minutes of the Economic Development Working Group meeting held on Thursday 12th September 2019

375/19 Staffing (Confidential Matters) Committee

Members received and noted the minutes of the Staffing (Confidential Matters) committee meeting held on Monday 23rd September 2019.

376/19 To receive and question reports from District and County Councillors

District Councillor Mordue

Buckinghamshire Council - Cllr. Mordue said the new Authority had the potential to produce a Community Infrastructure Levy (CiL) but it was up to the new Planning Authority to decided on whether to implement CiL or Section 106.

Cllr. Harvey asked what the likelihood was of the Vale of Aylesbury Plan being passed by 31st March 2020. Cllr. Mordue said it would be tight to get the VALP through by March 2020 but Officers were working hard to try ensure it meets the deadline.

Cllr. Harvey asked how AVDC planned to protect pedestrians and cyclists from the increased traffic caused by the Crown Care Home development on the land behind 13 High Street. Cllr. Mordue said it was likely the ticket machine would have to be moved but further analysis would be required to provide a fuller answer.

Members noted Cllr. Stuchbury's update (attached in Appendix A)

Cllr. Cole informed Members that the Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2016-2036 was considered and adopted at County Council on the 25th July 2019. The plan identifies Hyde Lane Lakes on the A422 as a secondary focus site for providing Gravel extraction. At Planning Committee on the 21st January 2019 Members raised a concern about heavy traffic carrying materials along the A422 and around the Buckingham by-pass, and the risk of pollution and flooding in the River Great Ouse Valley, including Buckingham. County Cllr Warren Whyte raised this at the 25th July County Council meeting, and was told that any formal plan for gravel extraction would have to go through the planning process.

377/19 Action List

Members received and noted the Committee's Action List.

378/19 Bucks Home Choice – Revised Allocations Policy

The Town Clerk stated that AVDC have confirmed that the current sub-allocation policy remains unchanged in the new policy. Members requested the Town Clerk check that this is still the case.

ACTION TOWN CLERK

379/19 Unitary Council

Members received a report from the Councillor Workshop held on 11th September 2019. Proposed by Cllr. Harvey, seconded by Cllr. Newell and unanimously **AGREED** the following recommendations:

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- 1. (The Council) submits the response to the Community Board Consultation outlined;
- 2. The Council submits the business case summarised to Aylesbury Vale District Council and the shadow Unitary Council with a request to take on management of the green spaces in Buckingham which are currently managed by AVDC as soon as possible;
- 3. The Council holds an informal workshop in June 2020 and invites the new Unitary Councillors to attend to begin informal discussions about how best the two councils can work together for the benefit of residents.

ACTION TOWN CLERK

380/19 South Central Ambulance Service Governor Elections

Members noted the advertisement for public service governors.

381/19 Neighbourhood Development Plan

Members receive a report from the Councillor Workshop held on 10th September 2019.

Proposed by Cllr. Harvey, seconded by Cllr. Smith and unanimously **AGREED** the following report recommendations:

- That the Council progress with plans for a full refresh of the Buckingham Neighbourhood Plan. This would work towards having clear options available for the new Council in May 2020. The target date would be the end of March, 2020 for these to be developed.
- 2. That representations as to the retention of the existing NDPs' policies in relation to affordable housing be made in the upcoming consultation period on VALP modifications.
- 3. That representations are made to the shadow Buckinghamshire Council regarding clarification of the future plans for implementing CIL.

382/19 Section 106 Application

Members discussed supporting a Section 106 application for the installation of a soft play area at the Swan Pool Leisure Centre.

Cllr. Harvey expressed frustration that Councillors were not involved in the decision making process for this application and their previous petitions for a BMW track have been ignored. Members were in general agreement that Section 106 monies should not be given to a private, profit making enterprise when a BMX track would be a free public space for everyone to use.

Cllr. Mahi spoke in support of Cllr. Harvey, rejecting the proposal for a soft play area without any prior consultation with the Town Council. Cllr. Hirons said he would like to see a proper Business Case with Market-Research.

Cllr. Smith raised concern over the number of complaints regarding Everyone Active and its management of the Swan Pool facility.

Proposed by Cllr. Harvey and seconded by Cllr. Smith to oppose the Section 106 application for a soft play area at the Swan Pool Leisure Centre.

The Town Clerk reminded Councillors that the Town Council has provided AVDC with a S106 wish list of relevant schemes, and that this is due to come before the relevant Committee shortly.

A vote was taken and the results were:

In favour: 11 Abstentions: 1

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AGREED to pursue AVDC for an update on the BMX track proposal and Cllr Newell asked for a follow up on the BMX track.

Cllr. Harvey explained to Members that, following a conversation with Cllr. Whyte, there appears to still be some Section 106 funds from Moreton Road phase 2 still available and this should've been a conversation held with the Town Council.

The Town Clerk advised Members that Environment committee would receive a report on Section 106 funding from the Moreton Road (Phase 2) application, with recommendations for the remaining funds.

Members **AGREED** to issue a press release.

ACTION TOWN CLERK

383/19 New Homes Bonus

Members discussed and **AGREED** to endorse a Micro grant application from Buckingham Cricket Club

ACTION TOWN CLERK

384/19 Full Council Photos

Members discussed and AGREED arrangements for formal photographs of the current Council and also the Council who will be elected in May 2020. ACTION TOWN CLERK

385/19 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

Members noted the AVDC Transport Users Group minutes of the 18TH June 2019

386/19 Mayoral Engagements

Members received and noted a list of events attended by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor. Functions the Mayor has attended:

- July 18 Grand Junction Planning Exhibition
- July 19 7th BTC Quiz Night, Woolpack
- July 20` Summer Festival Rock Choir, Market Place
- July 23 Pontio Group meeting, Vinson Centre
- July 29 University of Buckingham Law School Talk, Law School Campus
- July 31 Funeral of Geoffrey Shaw, Parish Church
- Aug 06 UN President visit, University of Buckingham
- Aug 10 AVDC Green Flag Raising, Heartlands
- Aug 12 Buckingham in Bloom Presentations, Chandos Park
- Aug 21 Duck Racing & Play in the Parishes, Chandos Park
- Aug 30 Media Talk, University of Buckingham
- Aug 31 Mayor of Neukirchen Vluyn official visit, Buckingham
- Aug 31 German Twinning dinner, Buckingham
- Sept 03 Thames Valley Police Parish Conference, Watermead, Aylesbury
- Sept 11 Bucks Youth Big Night Out, Waterside, Aylesbury
- Sept 12 Buckingham School Sports Awards
- Sept 17 Visit to Elizabeth Zettl, on her 102nd birthday
- Sept 20 Buckingham 1918-1939 Exhibition, Old Gaol
- Sept 21 Fair Trade Coffee Morning, Old Gaol
- Sept 23 Royal Latin School, Official Visit

Functions the Deputy Mayor has attended:

387/19 Chair's Announcements

Cllr. Cole reminded Members that elections for the first Bard of Buckingham were to take place on Tuesday 1st October 2019 at 7pm in the Cote.

Members **AGREED** to formally congratulate Mrs Elizabeth Zettl on her 102nd birthday and to investigate any other Buckingham residents who were reaching their 100th birthday.

ACTION TOWN CLERK

388/19 Date of the next meeting:

Interim Council – Monday 28th October 2019 Full Council - Monday 18th November 2019

Meeting closed at:	7.55pm	
Signed		Date
Town Mayo	or	

Appendix A

Update from District Councillor Stuchbury to Full Council on the 30th September 2019

Dear Members,

Tonight unfortunately I can't be at the Full council meeting as I am attending a meeting of the shadow overview and scrutiny committee - of which there are only 20 councillors Out of over 200 members.

Within my role as a district member I have been pursuing issues around planning related matters within my ward.

I've attended:

- A Home Strategy meeting Financial services meeting.
- Several seminars and consultative meetings to do with the future Unitary. I've placed a motion on climate change which was passed at the last district Council Meeting which mirrors Buckingham Town Council's own 2030 motion.
- I've taken a motion to as regards to Council on the environmental impacts of the Cambridge to Oxford expressway seeking the council to be reminded to be negative to a proper consultation with constituents and interested parties as explained the government's intentions.
- I have attended numerous Shadow executive meetings and I have attached some of the questions which have been asked for your information and ones which I'm going to be asked for a future meeting which I have submitted.