

Minutes of the Council Meeting called for Thursday 11 July 2024, in the Council Chamber, Aylesbury Town Hall, 5 Church Street, Aylesbury, HP20 2QP at 7pm

Present

In the Chair: Cllr Alan Sherwell (Mayor)

Councillors

M. Baldwin	S. Bateman	S. Chapple	C.Hendren
N. Hussain	T. Hussain	R. King	P. Koya
A. Morgan	S. Morgan	W.Raja	R.Lloyd
N.Mehta	D. Summers	G. Wadhwa	M.Winn

Officers: Adil Iftakhar, (Deputy Town Clerk)

No Members of the public in attendance

The Mayor welcomed Caroline Bennett, Chief Operating Officer at Pace, who gave a power point presentation setting out their story, specialist provision, services and difference made in supporting Children with Neurodisabilities across the U.K. Funds raised by Pace through the Mayors initiative would be used to provide music therapy sessions.

Pace extended an invitation to all councillors to visit and thanked the current Mayor for choosing Pace as this year's Mayors charity.

Clir R Lloyd, Clir S Morgan, Clir A Sherwell and Clir D Summers commended Pace for their service. It was agreed that the Deputy Town Clerk would arrange a visit for all councillors to attend Pace at a mutually convenient date and time.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:37PM

1. Apologies of Absence

Apologies received from Cllr M Azam (illness), Cllr A.Christensen (prior commitment), Cllr T.Dixon (family commitment), Cllr R. Khan BEM (prior commitment), Cllr S. Lambert (family commitment), Cllr D Thompson (illness), Cllr M.Willis (work commitment).

Resolved: To unanimously agree that the above apologies be received and accepted.

2. Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor's engagements for the month of June were issued to councillors in advance of the meeting. These included visits to the ATC events such as Soapbox Derby, Aylesbury in Bloom school awards and attendance to Royal British Legion D-Day Service and the Bucks New University Wellbeing Hub 1st Anniversary.

3. Leader's Announcements

The Leader, Cllr Lloyd, congratulated Laura Kyrke-Smith in becoming the member of parliament for Aylesbury and invited her to visit the Town Council at her earliest opportunity. The leader also reported the following:

- The Parish Council Liaison Committee had been cancelled and
- Market Square is now being managed by Saunders Markets.

The Deputy Leader, Cllr Sherrilyn Bateman, informed members she assisted with handing out of consultation forms in relation to the expansion of the Conservation Areas within Aylesbury.

4. Declarations of Interest & Requests for Dispensation

To declare and note any personal or prejudicial interests, and to declare and note any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests or requests for dispensation.

No declarations made and no dispensations requested.

5. Minutes

Resolved: To unanimously agree as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 13 June 2024.

6. Matters arising on the Minutes

To receive a report from the Clerk on additional matters not on the agenda, if applicable.

The funds had been received from the Public Works Loan Board for the acquisition of the Railway Club. The Deputy Town Clerk raised no further matters.

7. Committee Minutes and Chairmen's Reports

Resolved: Unanimously agreed, to take Minutes "as read" and to note/accept Minutes listed below.

i) Planning & Licensing Committee - Cllr M Willis

- a) To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2024.
- b) To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 17 June 2024.
- c) To receive the draft minutes of the meeting held on 1 July 2024.



ii) Policy Committee - Cllr R Lloyd

a) To note that the next meeting of the committee is taking place on 17 July 2024.

iii) Direct Services - Cllr W Raja

a) To receive the draft minutes of the meeting held on 5 June 2024.

iv) Communities Committee - Cllr T Dixon

a) To receive the draft minutes of the meeting held on 4 June 2024.

v) Grants Committee - Cllr S Morgan

- a) To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 27 March 2024.
- b) To receive the draft minutes of the meeting held on 26 June 2024.

vi) Finance Committee - Cllr A Christensen

a) To receive the draft minutes of the meeting held on 12 June 2024.

8. Standing Orders & Financial Regulations

To adopt the revised standing orders and financial regulations.

To update the financial regulations to change in line with the latest National Association of Local Clerks model financial regulations. No questions were asked, and comments made regarding the standing orders and financial regulations, as councillors received these in advance of the meeting.

Proposed: Cllr W Raja Seconded: Cllr R Lloyd

Resolved: The council unanimously accepted the changes as detailed above to the Standing Orders & Financial regulations.

9. HS2 Update Report

The Leader, Cllr Lloyd, updated members on the road closures and subsequent disruption caused because of HS2. Upon a lengthy discussion amongst members, it was agreed the Clerk in consultation with the Leader would write to HS2 outlining the concerns.



10. Outside Bodies Report

The following reports from outside bodies were received:

Cllr S Bateman, William Harding Trust

Informed members of the successful acquisition of Ardley House, Walton Street and are in the process of submitting a planning application in due course.

Proposed: Cllr N Hussain Seconded: Cllr D Summers

Resolved: The council unanimously agreed the mayor's office would send out a letter of appreciation to William Harding's Charity.

No further reports from Outside Body representatives were received.

11. Committees Question Time

- i) Planning & Licensing CommitteeNo Questions
- ii) Policy Committee
 No questions
- iii) Direct Services
 No questions
- iv) Communities Committee
 No questions
- v) Grants Committee No questions
- vi) Finance Committee
 No questions

12. Date Of Next Meeting

To note the next meeting of the Council, will be held on Thursday 12 September 2024 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Church Street, Aylesbury, HP20 2QP.

The meeting closed at 7:51pm

