

**Minutes of the Town Council Meeting
held in the Council Chamber, Chantry Centre, Chantry Way CM11 2AP
on Thursday 27th July 2023 at 7.00 pm**

Present: Chairman: Cllr M Thomas
Vice-Chairman: Cllr J Devlin

Councillors: J Clark, R Clark, M Dear, J Henshaw, K Herlock, C May, M Moore,
M Mordecai, M Roessler, G Talbot, A Talboys, J Tutton

Also in attendance: the Town Clerk

41. Apologies for absence

Cllrs A Adshead, L Clark, K Mordecai, E Sainsbury, D Spencer

42. Declaration of Interest with regard to items on the Agenda

None.

43. Public Participation Session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest

None.

44. Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 15th June 2023

Members **(a)** received and considered the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 15th June 2023 and **(b)** approved the signing of the minutes as a true record.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 15th June 2023 be approved and adopted.

45. Chairman's Report

Members received a report from Cllr Thomas about his attendance at events on behalf of the Town Council since the last meeting.

RESOLVED: information noted.

46. Committee Meetings

Members received and considered the minutes of:

(a) Planning Committee –Cllr Tutton, Chairman of the Committee, presented the minutes of the meetings held on 27th June, 11th and 25th July 2023. A total of 31 applications were reviewed with 7 being objected to. There are also various consultations being responded to by some members of planning committee and the Committee Clerk, and Cllr Tutton urged members to also respond to these as individuals.

(b) Health, Well-being and Environment Committee meeting held on 4th July 2023. Cllr Moore, Chairman of the Committee, presented the minutes and informed those present that the membership to the Open Spaces Society had been renewed, the tree in Jim Shields in being cut back ready to be dressed with Christmas lights and that the outdoor gym equipment in Lake Meadows is being moved to make way for the new skatepark.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of all the above Committee meetings are approved.

47. Financial Report

As there was no Finance & General Purposes meeting in July members were asked to consider the following:

- (a) Income and Expenditure by Committee from 1st April to 19th July 2023
- (b) Payments 24th May to 19th July 2023
- (c) Balance Sheet as at 19th July 2023

RESOLVED: that all the above financial information is noted.

48. Courses and Conferences

RESOLVED: that the EALC Course information is noted.

49. Street Pastors Request re King's Award

Members all agreed this would be well deserved award for the Billericay Street Pastors and it was therefore:

RESOLVED: that the Town Clerk provides a letter of support detailing how the Street Pastors support the community which will be circulated to members.

50. Items for Information

Members considered the following:

- (a) Notes from the Waste and Recycling Presentation which took place in the Chantry Centre on 13th July 2023.
- (b) Consultation on Review of Statement of Licensing Policy – this online consultation closes on 25th August 2023.
- (c) Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation – this online consultation closes on 5th September 2023

RESOLVED: that the above information is noted.

51. Consideration of Items for Press Release/Social Media

- supporting the Street Pastors King's Award nomination

52. Questions from the Press and Public

None.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.45pm

Cllr M Thomas Date
Chairman