

WIMBORNE MINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a **MEETING of the TOWN COUNCIL** held on **TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 2015 at 7.30 pm** in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, West Borough, Wimborne Minster.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cllr A J Hampton - Town Mayor & Chairman of the Council
Cllr S K Bartlett - Deputy Town Mayor & Vice-Chairman of the Council

Cllr P H Bartlett
Cllr J Burden
Cllr R D Cook
Cllr Mrs S A Cook
Cllr L G Harvey
Cllr Mrs D J March
Cllr D G L Packer
Cllr Mrs A E Roberts

ALSO PRESENT

District Cllr Mrs P A Hymers

NOT PRESENT AND APOLOGIES GIVEN

Cllr A W Spencer
Cllr T F Wheeler
District Cllr D Morgan

155 **TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 9 DECEMBER 2014**

Referring to Minute 133 (East Dorset District Council – Proposed Change from Committee Style Governance to a Cabinet Model) Cllr S K Bartlett asked it to be recorded that he was wholly opposed to the change from committee style governance to a cabinet model.

Referring to Minute 138 (Wimborne Town Centre Liaison Group) Cllr S K Bartlett asked for clarification on the policy relating to political parties using The Square. The Town Clerk would circulate the policy to all Members.

Referring again to the meetings of the Wimborne Town Centre Liaison Group, Cllr S K Bartlett also raised the matter of four benches being moved to accommodate the second sitting out area in The Square. He was concerned that this proposal had not been placed before the Town Council for approval. The Town Clerk replied that this was a matter for Dorset County and East Dorset District Councils who had merely consulted the Wimborne Town Centre Liaison Group.

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The County Council had in any event only allowed two benches to be moved and had specified where they were to be relocated.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

156 **EXTRAORDINARY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6 JANUARY 2015**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

157 **CONFIRMATION OF RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON 9 DECEMBER 2014**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and adopted.

158 **CONFIRMATION OF PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 6 JANUARY 2015**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and adopted.

159 **CONFIRMATION OF RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON 20 JANUARY 2015**

Referring to Minute 148 (Flying a Flag for Wimborne Project)
Cllr Mrs S A Cook recalled that the Committee was willing to allow the organisers of this project to have the use of the Committee Room or Council Chamber free of charge for meetings but not as a workshop. However, this was not referred to in the Minutes. This offer was supported by the Members and the room would be made available to the organiser.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and adopted.

160 **CONFIRMATION OF POLICY & REVIEW COMMITTEE HELD ON 20 JANUARY 2015**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and adopted.

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161 **RISK ASSESSMENT REVIEW 2014/2015**

The Town Council considered the recommendation of the Policy & Review Committee held on 20 January 2015 (Minute 154) that the Risk Assessment Review of its buildings and operations be approved.

RESOLVED that the Risk Assessment Review 2014/2015, a copy of which appears as Appendix C to the Minutes of the Policy & Review Committee of 20 January 2015, be approved and adopted.

162 **CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2015/2016**

The Town Clerk submitted a Calendar of Meetings for 2015/2016, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix A** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Calendar of Meetings for 2015/2016 be approved.

163 **DORSET COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr R D Cook – See **Appendix B** to these Minutes.
Referring to the item in Cllr Cook's report relating to the proposals for the traffic management changes in East Borough, Cllr Harvey asked that consideration be given by Dorset County Council to the implications of the changes on traffic flows in West Borough which were extremely high. Cllr Cook undertook to do so.

164 **EAST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

Cllr Mrs P A Hymers – See **Appendix C** to these Minutes.
In particular Cllr Mrs Hymers drew the attention of Members to the change in status of Queen Elizabeth's School to that of an Academy. This would have implications for the future funding of the Queen Elizabeth Leisure Centre and its swimming pool. Cllr S K Bartlett was of the view that the Town Council should insist that the pool was available for use by the public whatever happened with future funding. The Town Council would need to monitor the situation closely.

Cllr R D Cook – See **Appendix D** to these Minutes.

Cllr D G L Packer – See **Appendix E** to these Minutes.
Cllr Packer also referred to the amended plan from Bloor Homes development in Cranborne Road which had been available for Members to see and comment upon. Cllr Spencer had produced a draft response which would be circulated to all Members by email for approval.

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165 **TOWN MAYOR’S REPORT**

See **Appendix F** to these Minutes.

List of Engagements - See **Appendix G** to these Minutes.

166 **TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES’ REPORTS**

Wimborne Town Centre Liaison Group – Cllr T F Wheeler
See **Appendix H** to these Minutes.

Wimborne Valognes Twinning Association – Cllr Mrs D J March.
See **Appendix I** to these Minutes.

Cllr Mrs March also reported that there would be a visit to Valognes between 5-7 June 2015 and that there was an invitation for a representative of the Town Council to attend. She added that it was not an official visit but a Town Council representative would need to be selected at the informal meeting following the election on 7 May 2015.

Wimborne Ochsenfurt Twinning Association –
Cllr Mrs A E Roberts reported that the AGM of the Twinning Association would be held on Thursday, 29 January 2015 at 7.30 pm. A visit to Ochsenfurt would be taking place on 5 May 2015 to mark 70 years of peace.

Jurassic Coast Trust – Cllr Mrs S A Cook reported that she was now a Jurassic Coast Champion and would be seeking further supporters in the Town. See **Appendix J** to these Minutes.

1069 Squadron Air Training Corps Civilian Committee –
Cllr S K Bartlett reported that there was a vacancy on the Committee if any Councillor wished to become involved.

Flood Warden – Cllr Burden was delighted to report that he had seen two salmon in the River Wim for the first time in 15 years.

The meeting closed at 8.29 pm.

Signed Date.....
Town Mayor and Chairman of the Council