

AT A MEETING OF BRACKLEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE UPPER HALL, TOWN HALL, BRACKLEY ON MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 2007 at 7 pm

Present: The Deputy Town Mayor (Councillor K Dixon)
Councillors C S Billingham, C J Blunden, K D Bonner-Dunham,
C O Cartmell, D G Dunham, T D Hayward, J T Hawkins,
P Joyce, G Rhys, D M Shaw and P M Titchener

Apologies: The Worshipful the Town Mayor (Councillor P J Broomfield)
Councillors W B Stimpson and P H Stocker

256. PRAYERS

Prayers were offered by Reverend Andrew Bradley

257. DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Deputy Town Mayor advised that a celebration of 300 years of the Town Hall had been arranged for Friday 9th November 2007 which would be run by the staff. It had been suggested that a further event be run on Saturday 10th November 2007 by the Councillors. Celebration cakes would be available for both events.

Several members commented that insufficient notice had been given to arrange this event and because of prior commitments only a limited number were available on the day. The Clerk advised that an email had been sent to all Councillors on 23rd October 2007 and very little response had been received in the Office. The event had been organised at the request of several Members.

Councillor Blunden suggested postponing both events so that more time could be given to organising this. Members were advised that a considerable number of people had been advised that the Friday event was taking place and displays and photographs had been obtained. Councillor Cartmell again asked the question 'what advertising had taken place and asked if the event had been advertised on the website. When advised no, he questioned whether the site had any worth. Councillor Billingham then suggested that the Friday event went ahead as planned and the photos etc be displayed again on the day of the Remembrance Service and the second celebration cake be used at this event. It was therefore

RESOLVED:

That the 300 year celebration event take place on Friday 9th November 2007 in the Lower Town Hall.

That a further display takes place after the Remembrance Service on 11th November 2007.

Members were reminded to be at the Town Hall for 2.30 pm for the Remembrance Day Service.

CONTINUATION OF A MEETING OF BRACKLEY TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE UPPER HALL, TOWN HALL, BRACKLEY ON MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 2007 at 7 pm

257. DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Cont'd....

The Deputy Town Mayor advised that three Members would be attending SNC Chairman's event at Greens Norton.

The points of interest discussed at the meeting on 14th November would be discussed further with Towcester Town Council and South Northamptonshire Council on 22nd November

Members were advised that the 'Switch On' of the Christmas Lights would take place on 18th November at 5.30 pm. Various entertainment would be taking place on the Piazza from 2.30 pm. Thanks were given to Councillor Hayward for her assistance with this event.

Carol Singing would take place on the Piazza on 16th December 2007 at 7 pm.

258. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Pecuniary interest declared by Councillor Cartmell in item 1902 of List of Accounts 6A.

259. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 8th October 2007 be approved as a correct record and signed.

260. PLANNING AND GENERAL WORKS COMMITTEE

a) The Minutes of the Planning and General Works Committee held on Monday 8th October 2007 were approved as a correct record and received by the Council.

b) On the proposition of Councillor Blunden it was

RESOLVED:

That the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the Planning and General Works Committee as contained in Minutes 221 to 233 be approved and adopted.

261. DIRECT RESPONSIBILITIES AND GENERAL PURPOSES CTTEE

(a) The Minutes of the Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee held on 22nd October 2007 were approved as a correct record and received by the Council.

(b) On the proposition of Councillor Bonner-Dunham it was

RESOLVED:

That the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee as contained in Minutes 234 to 245 be approved and adopted.

262. FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

a) The Minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee held on Monday 22nd October 2007 were approved as a correct record and received by the Council.

b) On the proposition of Councillor Cartmell it was

RESOLVED:

That the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the Finance and Policy Committee as contained in Minutes 246 to 255 be approved and adopted.

263. LIST OF ACCOUNTS

Lists of Accounts 8A had been circulated with the Minutes.

RESOLVED:

That List of Accounts 8A in the sum of £8,238.83 be approved and passed for payment

264. SEAL OF THE COUNCIL

Members were advised that there were no documents requiring the Seal of the Council.

265. COUNTY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

No County Council representative was in attendance at the Meeting.

Councillor Billingham commented that the County Councillors had asked for an item to be placed on the Council Agenda rather than just speaking in public question time. Members were very disappointed that neither Councillor had turned up again and it was suggested that a letter be sent to both County Councillors asking that they advise the office if they are unable to attend the Meeting. Councillor Cartmell said that on several occasions members of the public had questions relating to County Council matters. It was therefore

RESOLVED:

That letters be sent to County Councillors Grant and Sawbridge requesting that they advise the office if they are unable to attend the Council Meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.36 pm

Chairman