

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF BRACKLEY
HELD IN THE UPPER HALL, TOWN HALL, BRACKLEY ON SATURDAY
8TH MAY 2010 at 12 noon

Present: The Worshipful the Town Mayor (Councillor Caryl Billingham)
Councillors C J Blunden, P J Broomfield, C Cartmell, K Dixon,
T D Hayward, P Joyce, G Rhys, L Ross, D Shaw, W B Stimpson,
P H Stocker and P M Titchener

1. PREAMBLE

Prayers were offered by Reverend Nicholas Gandy.

2. APOLOGIES

Councillors K D Bonner-Dunham and D Dunham

3. RETIRING MAYOR

The Town Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Town Mayor reviewed her year of office and said what a year it had been! She outlined a number of events and apologised to any organisation which was not included in the list.

She then moved on to fund raising and said that 'whilst she was happy to corral people into giving money, and hopefully enjoying themselves at the same time, this must never detract from the true role of Town Mayor as Chairman of the Council, Civic Leader of the Town and a representative of all that is great and good about our country and its traditions'. She then listed a number of events which had finally netted a sum in excess of £7,000 which had been distributed to Katharine House Hospice, Brackley Scouts, Brackley Girlguiding, St John Ambulance, Army Cadets, Help for Heroes, Brackley & District Band, the Traneker Fund, the Zone Youth Club and the shortly to open Brackley Youth Cafe.

The Town Mayor said how proud she had been to represent the town at the last Remembrance Sunday Service and spoke about the loss of Nic Webster-Smith. She said that one of her objectives had been to get Nic's name on the Town's war memorial and this had been achieved and the stone was dedicated on Thursday 6th May 2010.

Moving on to the future of Brackley, she spoke about the Brackley Masterplan, the proposed new Healthcare facility, the proposed high speed rail link and whether there would be further development in the town.

The Town Mayor then expressed numerous thanks to various people who had escorted her to functions and supported her during her year. Special

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3. RETIRING MAYOR

thanks were given to Don Cox, her Macebearer, and she presented him with a picture. Bouquets were presented to the Deputy Mayoress, Mrs Janet Blunden, and Irene Bennett by Lauren Britchfield and the Mayor thanked Lauren for undertaking this role. Finally the Town Mayor wished Chris Blunden, the Deputy Mayor, every success for his forthcoming year.

Councillor Stimpson rose and thanked Councillor Billingham for her leadership during the past year and this was seconded by Councillor Hayward and it was

RESOLVED:

That a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to Councillor Caryl Billingham for the able and efficient manner in which she performed the duties of Town Mayor for the past year.

4. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR

The Mayor asked for nominations for the post of Town Mayor and Councillor Chris Blunden was proposed by Councillor Cartmell and seconded by Councillor Shaw. It was

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Chris Blunden be elected Town Mayor of Brackley for the ensuing year.

The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was delivered and signed by Councillor Blunden. He then gave his Mayoral address outlining the events he hopes to organise during the year and advised that he would not be having a Civic Ball but this would be replaced by a Civic Dinner on 23rd April 2010 and presented Councillor Billingham with her past Mayor's Jewel.

5. ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

Councillor Theo Hayward was proposed by the Town Mayor and it was

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Theo Hayward be elected Deputy Town Mayor of Brackley for the ensuing year.

The Deputy Town Mayor signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

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6. APPOINTMENT OF TOWN MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN

The Town Mayor appointed the Reverend Duncan Tuck as his Chaplain for the year.

7. APPOINTMENT OF TOWN MAYORESS

The Town Mayor appointed Mrs Janet Blunden as his Mayoress for the ensuing year.

8. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

On the proposition of Councillor Ross, seconded by Councillor Dixon, it was

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Monday 12th April 2010 (Minute Nos. 547 to 557 inclusive) be approved and signed as a correct record.

9. VOTE OF THANKS

Councillor Billingham proposed a vote of thanks to employees of the Council and this was seconded by Councillor Rhys and it was

RESOLVED:

That a vote of thanks be given to employees of the Council.

10. DATES AND TIMES ON WHICH MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL AND ITS COMMITTEES WILL BE HELD DURING THE ENSUING YEAR

The list of proposed dates of meetings had been circulated to Members. It was proposed by Councillor Stocker, seconded by Councillor Titchener and

RESOLVED:

That the dates and times on which the Meetings of the Council and its Committees will be held during the ensuing year to be as in the list circulated unless varied by due notice.

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10. DATES AND TIMES OF MEETINGS Cont'd...

All Meetings will take place at 7 pm in the Upper Hall of the Town Hall unless otherwise stated.

	FULL COUNCIL (then <i>PUBLIC QUESTION TIME</i>) <i>Followed by</i> PLANNING & GENERAL WORKS COMMITTEE	DIRECT RESPONSIBILITIES AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE <i>Followed by</i> FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE
2010	10th MAY	24th MAY
Late Spring Bank Holiday 31/05/10	7th JUNE	21st JUNE
	5th JULY	19th JULY
	2nd AUGUST	16th AUGUST
Late Summer Bank Holiday 30/08/10	6th SEPTEMBER	20th SEPTEMBER
	4th OCTOBER	18th OCTOBER
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 14TH NOVEMBER		
	1st NOVEMBER	15th NOVEMBER
	6th DECEMBER	20th DECEMBER
2011		
	10th JANUARY	24th JANUARY
	7th FEBRUARY	21st FEBRUARY
	7th MARCH	21st MARCH
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 14TH MARCH at 7:30 pm		
Easter Monday Bank Holiday 25/04/11	4th APRIL	18th APRIL
May Day Bank Holiday 02/05/11		
MAYOR MAKING SATURDAY 14TH MAY at 12:00 noon		
	16th MAY	23rd MAY
Late Spring Bank Holiday 30/05/11		

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11. ELECTION OF STANDING COMMITTEES

It was proposed by Councillor Broomfield, seconded by Councillor Joyce and

RESOLVED:

That the Members of the Council do form each of the
Standing and Sub Committees as in the list circulated.

Planning and General Works Committee

Councillors C S Billingham
C J Blunden (ex officio)
P J Broomfield
C O Cartmell
K Dixon
D Dunham
T D Hayward
P Joyce
G Rhys
D M Shaw
P M Titchener (11 Members)

Direct Responsibilities & General Purposes Committee

Councillor K D Bonner-Dunham
C J Blunden
P J Broomfield
K Dixon
T D Hayward (ex officio)
P Joyce
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11. ELECTION OF STANDING COMMITTEES Cont'd.....

Finance and Policy Committee

Councillors C S Billingham
C J Blunden
K D Bonner-Dunham
C O Cartmell
D Dunham
T D Hayward
L Ross
D M Shaw
W B Stimpson
P H Stocker (10 Members)

The Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor ex officio on other Committees to speak as of right but not vote and other non-Committee Members may attend and be invited by the Chairman to speak but not to vote.

12. CLOSURE

The Town Mayor thanked Members and guests for their attendance and invited all those present to join him for refreshments in the Lower Hall.

Meeting closed at 12.51 pm

Town Mayor