

**BRACKLEY TOWN COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the meeting of Brackley Town Council, held on **Monday 10 January 2022** at the Town Hall. Meeting at 7.05pm.

Present: Town Mayor Cllr Thompson  
Cllr Bagot-Web, Baker, Cartmell, Judd, Kew, Nash, Sharps, Tiller, Weaver, E  
Wiltshire P Wiltshire and Young

Officer: Town Clerk (A Moses)

**333/22 Apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Cllr Butler and Cllr Langford

Absent - Cllr Barrie

**334/22 Town Mayor's announcements**

Upcoming  
25 January Burns Night

**335/22 Public participation**

None

**336/22 Declarations of interest**

Cllr Thompson – 344/22 possible contact with company involved

**337/22 Approval of minutes**

On the proposition of Cllr Baker it was **RESOLVED** to:

Receive and approve the minutes of the meeting of Council on Monday 6 December 2021.

**338/22 Committee minutes**

On the proposition of Cllr P Wiltshire it was **RESOLVED** to:

Receive the following approved Committee minutes:

Planning & General Works 15 November 2021 and 6 December 2021  
Direct Responsibilities & General Purposes 15 November 2021  
Finance & Policy 15 November 2021

**339/22 Questions for chairmen relating to received minutes**

None

**340/22 Unitary Council representative**

**Cllr Baker** – Northamptonshire is now in a Critical Emergency position; this has come about because of rising numbers of people entering the two hospitals which are full to capacity. We are working on moving people out of hospital in to caring positions so we can release beds in the hospitals. This is also having an effect on elderly resident who currently have home carers, as the companies who provide this service are experiencing high numbers of staff sickness. Figures show that this will rise over the next two weeks then start to decline. WNC are working hard with the health service to cover these needs. If there are elderly people isolating near you, please do see if they need help.

**Cllr Bagot-Webb** – meeting on Wednesday re Farthinghoe, WNC Councillors have not been briefed, speculation that the site is closing at the end of January. Two things, firstly the refuse centre may not be open 1 February. The lease will expire on the 31 January and they current holder does not want to renew. There are no plans to permanently close the centre, they are trying to place a new lease.

**Cllr Sharps** - Brackley residents are asked to continue being careful and take precautions into the new the new year in response to the major incident declared in Northamptonshire. Multiple agencies such as NHS organisations, Local authorities, Fire and Rescue Services and the Police in response to rising demand and staffing levels.  
Farthinghoe Recycling and Refuse Centre - a meeting is set to discuss the plan moving forward of this well used recycling centre.

**341/22 Appointment of Councillors for monthly payment audit**

Cllr P Wiltshire and Cllr Cartmell will sign and approve the monthly payment audit either at the next Finance and Policy Committee meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> January or in the office on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January between 10am and 2pm.

**342/22 Approval of Budget – summary attached**

On the proposition of Cllr Baker it was **RESOLVED** to:

Approve the budget of £1,135,969 recommended by the Finance & Policy Committee following public consultation.

**343/22 Approval of Precept 2022/2023**

On the proposition of Cllr P Wiltshire it was **RESOLVED** to:

Approve the Precept Request of £896,765 which equates to a Band D charge of £153.93.

**344/22 To engage with the Northants CALC Asset Mapping Project (AMP)**

Cllr Nash and Cllr P Wiltshire were appointed to the AMP Working Party.

**345/22 Matters for information**

None

**346/22 Exclusion of Press and Public**

On the proposition of Cllr Bagot-Webb it was **RESOLVED** that:

In accordance with Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press is excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the item set out below on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the general interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

**347/22 Old Fire Station – private and confidential report attached**

On the proposition of Cllr P Wiltshire it was **RESOLVED** to:

Accept Option 1 which states:

To engage an agent to market and conduct the letting process on behalf of Brackley Town Council.

**Meeting closed: 19.46**

**Signed:**

**Date:**