

Minutes of the Council held on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018** at **The Garth, Launton Road, Bicester OX26 6PS** at **7.00 pm**.

**Present:**

- Cllr Sean Gaul – Chairman
- Cllr Dave Magee
- Cllr Melanie Magee
- Cllr Nick Mawer
- Cllr Przemek Rybka
- Cllr Les Sibley
- Cllr Jason Slaymaker
- Cllr Rose Stratford

**In Attendance:**

- Samantha Shippen – Chief Officer
- Angie Suter – Administration Officer
- Cllr John Broad - CDC

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166/1819	1	<p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that apologies were received from Cllr David Anderson, Cllr Richard Mould, Cllr Debbie Pickford, Cllr Lynn Pratt and Cllr Lawrie Stratford.</p>
167/1819	2	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Cllr Slaymaker declared an interest in agenda item 15 as Director of Bicester Green.</p>
168/1819	3	<p><b>PUBLIC SESSION</b></p> <p>A member of the public commented on the possibility of Bicester Town Council promoting safe cycling and safe walking along Bicester footpaths.</p>
169/1819	4	<p><b>MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes and resolutions of the following Town Council meetings be confirmed:</p> <p><b>BTC0/1819 – 18 June 2018</b>  <b>SPECIALBTC01/1819 – 25 June 2018</b></p>
170/1819	5	<p><b>POLICE</b></p> <p>Sgt Kerry O’Leary from the Thames Valley Police gave an update on local police matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cycle theft – 88 last year, 25 this year</li> <li>• Burglaries of dwellings - down from 33 last year to 18 this year.</li> <li>• Shop lifting – down from 249 to 220.</li> <li>• Theft from vehicles – down from 90 – 79, however there has been a steep increase rurally mostly at the Cherwell Valley Services.</li> <li>• Theft from a person – down from 28 to 24</li> </ul>

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171/1819	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Criminal damage – down from 160 last year to 88.</li> <li>• There have been 21 calls since March this year regarding to the churchyard. Only 6 have been related to drugs and 6 to anti-social behaviour.</li> </ul> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Sgt O'Leary be thanked for her report.</p> <p><b>MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes and resolutions of the following Planning Committee meetings be confirmed:</p> <p><b>PL02/1819 – 25 June 2018</b>  <b>PL03/1819 – 24 July 2018</b>  <b>PL04/1819 – 20 August 2018</b></p>
172/1819	7	<p><b>MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes and resolutions of the following Policy Committee meeting be confirmed:</p> <p><b>POL02/1819 – 9 July 2018</b></p>
173/1819	8	<p><b>MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes and resolutions of the following Finance Committee meeting be confirmed:</p> <p><b>FIN02/1819 – 3 July 2018</b></p>
174/1819	9	<p><b>MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes and resolutions of the following Environment Committee meeting be confirmed:</p> <p><b>ENV02/1819 – 30 July 2018</b></p>
175/1819	10	<p><b>QUESTIONS ON WORKING PARTIES &amp; OTHER GROUPS</b></p> <p>No questions were raised.</p>
176/1819	11	<p><b>REPORT FROM OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY/ CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCILLORS</b></p> <p>Oxfordshire County Councillor, Les Sibley gave a report covering the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County Councillors have done a review of a parking in Bicester scheme introduced 6 months ago and visited various areas throughout the town. Some double yellow lines still need to be completed in various areas and double yellow lines have now been installed on Kingsmere. Other issues were picked up during the</li> </ul>

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		<p>inspection and will be addressed with an update coming to the next Bicester Traffic Advisory Group. <i>The Chief Officer enquired why the Town Council hadn't been invited as was agreed at the last Traffic Advisory Meeting.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oxfordshire County Council and Cherwell District Council are working together with discussion on going regarding future plans. The Joint Chief Executive, Yvonne Rees will take up her position on the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018.</li> </ul> <p>Cherwell District Councillor, Nick Mawer gave a report covering the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dissolving the relationship with South Northants will see finances strained going forward however this will not affect front line services but CDC will have to work hard to bring in revenue and cut costs elsewhere.</li> <li>A sub-committee has been set up to review parking policies are looking are trialling different strategies with a review in January 2019.</li> </ul>
177/1819	12	<p><b>REPORT OF THE TOWN MAYOR</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the report be <b>NOTED</b>.</p>
178/1819	13	<p><b>COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW – GRAVEN HILL</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Council <b>AGREE</b>:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>that Graven Hill should be incorporated into Bicester Town Council in its entirety;</li> <li>that Bicester Town Council wards be reconfigured so that BTC – Bicester South Ward be increased by one councillor and BTC- Bicester East Ward be decreased by one councillor; therefore, retaining the same number of councillors if Graven Hill is incorporated within.</li> </ol>
179/1819	14	<p><b>BICESTER FOODBANK</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Councillor Rose Stratford be appointed to represent Bicester Town Council on Bicester Foodbank's Management Committee.</p>
180/1819	15	<p><b>APPLICATION OF THE SEAL TO LEASES</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> that Council wished this item to be brought before a special meeting on the Town Council on the rise of the next Policy Committee meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018.</p>
181/1819	13	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 7pm</b></p> <p><b>CLOSE OF MEETING: 19.50hrs</b></p>