

Minutes of the Council held on **Monday 12th November 2018** at **The Garth, Launton Road, Bicester OX26 6PS** to commence at **7.00 pm**.

Present:

Cllr Sean Gaul – Mayor
 Cllr Jason Slaymaker – Deputy Mayor
 Cllr David Anderson
 Cllr Dave Magee
 Cllr Nick Mawer
 Cllr Richard Mould
 Cllr Debbie Pickford
 Cllr Lynn Pratt
 Cllr Przemek Rybka
 Cllr Les Sibley

In Attendance:

Samantha Shippen – Chief Officer
 Julie Trinder – Administration Officer
 Cllr Michael Waine - OCC

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236/1819	1	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>RESOLVED apologies were received from Cllr Nick Cotter, Cllr Dan Sames, Cllr Rose Stratford and Cllr Lawrie Stratford.</p>
237/1819	2	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>No declarations of interest were received.</p>
238/1819	3	<p>PUBLIC SESSION</p> <p>Members of the public were in attendance but no matters were raised.</p> <p><i>Members requested that Item 12 be brought forward to this point.</i></p>
239/1819	12	<p>FREEDOM OF ENTRY – DEMS</p> <p>The Council agreed in principle to offer the Freedom/Liberty of the Town on Sunday 7th July 2019 to DEMS (Defence Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD), Munitions and Search) Training Regiment. Full details and wording of scroll to be agreed at future Full Town Council meeting.</p>
240/1819	4	<p>MINUTES OF THE BICESTER TOWN COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions of the following Town Council meeting be confirmed:</p> <p>BTC04/1819 - 10 September 2018</p>

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241/1819	5	<p>MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING</p> <p>RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions of the following Planning Committee meetings be confirmed:</p> <p>PL05/1819 17 September 2018 PL06/1819 22 October 2018</p>
242/1819	6	<p>MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING</p> <p>RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions of the following Policy Committee meeting be confirmed:</p> <p>POL03/1819 24 September 2018</p>
243/1819	7	<p>MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING</p> <p>RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions of the following Finance Committee meeting be confirmed:</p> <p>FIN03/1819 4 September 2018</p>
244/1819	8	<p>MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING</p> <p>RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions of the following Environment meeting be confirmed:</p> <p>ENV03/1819 8 October 2018 <i>Members requested that outdoor staff be thanked for speedy installation of benches.</i></p>
245/1819	9	<p>QUESTIONS ON WORKING PARTIES & OTHER GROUPS</p> <p>No questions were raised.</p>
246/1819	10	<p>REPORT FROM OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY/ CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCILLORS</p> <p>Oxfordshire County Councillor, Cllr Michael Waine gave a report covering the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earlier this year Oxfordshire County Council put an extra £10m into fixing the roads, work has already resulted in £1.6m worth of surface dressing with around 33km of roads being surfaced. Work is also underway to on a £700,000 programme of surfacing sealing projects around the county.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oxfordshire County Council is committed to keeping the network of major roads free from ice to minimise the risk of accidents and ensure the smooth flow of traffic and usually salts between 2 November and 5 April. Live updates can be found www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/roads-and-transport/street-maintenance-z/salting-and-snow-clearance. • Plans to completely overhaul the County Council were given the go-ahead by the county Council's cabinet on 16 October. They agreed a major investment in digital technology to improve customer service and reduce council running costs. Outdated ICT systems will be replaced, with admin tasks automated to save money and make the council run more smoothly. The changes will support the County Council's long-term vision of 'thriving communities for everyone in Oxfordshire'. • Rogue traders and aggressive doorstep sellers were targeted during October by Oxfordshire County Council Trading. • Front line carers across Oxfordshire are being urged to make having a free job a key priority • Plans for Kingsmere's secondary school to be built has been delayed due to asbestos being found on the site. • A large amount of refreshed white and yellow lining in works are being carried out in and around the town centre, this has been paid for from Councillor budgets.
247/1819	11	<p>REPORT OF THE TOWN MAYOR</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be NOTED.</p>
248/1819	13	<p>NOTICE OF CONCLUSION OF AUDIT 2017/18</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be NOTED. A vote of thanks was given to the Chief Officer.</p>
249/1819	14	<p>EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <p>RECOMMENDED</p> <p>That in accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the items 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.</p>

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250/1819	15	<p>LEGAL ADVICE</p> <p>RESOLVED that Committee AGREED to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send letter to the BSA outlining the Town Council concerns and ask for a meeting. • Send letter to the various Bicester Sports Clubs outlining the opinion given by the Barrister. • To invite Bicester Village to a future meeting with a proper presentation of any plans that have been outlined.
251/1819	16	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 21st January 2019 at 7.00pm.</p> <p>CLOSE OF MEETING: 8.25pm</p>