

Minutes of the Council held on **Tuesday 21st January 2020** at **The Garth, Launton Road, Bicester OX26 6PS.**

Present:

Cllr Jason Slaymaker – Chairman
 Cllr Nick Cotter
 Cllr Sean Gaul
 Cllr Dan Hallett
 Cllr Harry Knight
 Cllr Nick Mawer
 Cllr Zoe McLernon
 Cllr James Metcalf
 Cllr Richard Mould
 Cllr Robert Nixon
 Cllr Lynn Pratt
 Cllr Les Sibley
 Cllr Alex Thrupp
 Cllr Fraser Webster

In Attendance:

Samantha Shippen – Chief Officer
 Julie Trinder – Administration

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344/1920	1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE RESOLVED that apologies were received from Cllr Dan Sames.
345/1920	2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RESOLVED that declarations of interest were received from Cllr Nick Cotter, due to his capacity as a Criminal Defence Lawyer, with Agenda item 11.
346/1920	3	PUBLIC SESSION No members of the public were present. <i>Cllr Mawer entered the meeting at 7.03pm and Cllr Nick Cotter entered the meeting at 7.50pm.</i> <i>The Mayor advised that Agenda items 12 and 13 be brought forward to this point.</i>
347/1920	12	THAMES VALLEY POLICE CONSULATION PC 4823 Longman gave an overview on the proposed application for a Civic Injunction covering the core of the town centre, being, Sheep Street, Pioneer Square, Market Square and Manorsfield Road.

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		RESOLVED that council AGREED that no objection being raised to the application for a Civil Injunction related to Bicester Town Centre by Thames Valley Police. Chief Officer to write to PC Longman, Thames Valley Police to confirm the above.
348/1920	13	FAIRTRADE & SIGNAGE RESOLVED that: 1. The Fairtrade Accreditation Certificate from the Fairtrade Group was accepted by Cllr Jason Slaymaker, Bicester Town Mayor, on behalf of the town. 2. That Council ACCEPTED in principle that the costs of town signage including 500th Fairtrade town and twin towns at agreed location on roads at or near the Bicester Town boundary be funded from the Partnerships Earmarked Reserve subject to approval of locations and full costs at an appropriate Policy Committee meeting.
349/1920	4	MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS: RESOLVED that Council confirmed the following minutes of the Town Council meetings: BTC05/1920 – 18th November 2019 Special BTC03/1920 - 17th December 2019
350/1920	5	MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: RESOLVED that Council confirmed the following minutes of the Environment Committee meeting: ENV04/1920 - 26 November 2019
351/1920	6	MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: RESOLVED that Council confirmed the following minutes of the Finance Committee meeting: FIN04/1920 - 17th December 2019
352/1920	7	MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS: RESOLVED that Council confirmed the following minutes of the Planning Committee meetings: PL07/1920 - 11th November 2019

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		PL08/1920 - 9th December 2019
353/1920	8	MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING: RESOLVED that Council confirmed the following minutes of Policy Committee meeting: POL04/1920 - 25th November 2019
354/1920	9	QUESTIONS ON WORKING PARTIES & OTHER GROUPS No questions were raised.
355/1920	10	REPORT FROM OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY/CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCILLORS Cllr Les Sibley on behalf of Oxfordshire County Council reported: • Oxfordshire County Council raised objections to the Great Wolf Resort planning application. • Double yellow line traffic order now being consulted upon. Cllr Lynn Pratt on behalf of Cherwell District Council reported: • Dr Quarterly, Alchester Medical Practice, gave a presentation at the Strategic Delivery Board meeting regarding the new 'Super Surgery'. Plans are going ahead and moving on with the surgery being housed at Graven Hill. It was requested that Dr Quarterly attend the next Town Council meeting to give an update. • Jenny Barker leaving CDC. It was requested that Cllr Jason Slaymaker send her a letter of thanks and gratitude on behalf of BTC.
356/1920	11	REPORT OF THE TOWN MAYOR RESOLVED that the Mayor's report was updated and NOTED .
357/1920	14	ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE, OXFORD ROAD, BICESTER (AC034) UPDATE RESOLVED that Council NOTED the update.
358/1920	15	BUDGET & PRECEPT 2020/21 RESOLVED the Council AGREED : 1. The budget for 2020/21 with a gross expenditure of £1,755,193, income of £188,687 and a resulting net expenditure of £1,566,506; 2. The total precept for 2020/21 at £1,566,506;

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359/1920	16	3. The Band D be increased by 2% to £129.35, an increase of £2.53 per year per Band D property. 4. That the Council can be proud of the achievements from a good budget process and the Chief Officer and Town Council staff be thanked for the work undertaken in budget preparation. <i>Cllr Nick Cotter left the meeting at 8.08pm.</i> DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 9th March 2020 CLOSE OF MEETING: 8.10pm