

EARLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Earley Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Radstock Lane, Earley, Berkshire on Wednesday 26th July 2017 which commenced at 7.45pm.

Present

Chairman – The Mayor, Councillor M Firmager

Councillors M Ahmed, J Armstrong, Miss L Blumenthal, A Bradley, Dr N Brock, Mrs L Chambers, T Chambers, D Chopping, Mrs J Clark, Mrs M De Jong, Ms P Dunn, T Holton, R Houlbrooke, N Jorgensen, Mrs P Jorgensen, Mrs S Matthews, Miss J Rance JP, J Russell, C Smith, B Wedge and P Willis.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor G Grandison, W Luck and Mrs A Swaddle.

At the start of the meeting a minute's silence was held following the death of David Fuller, the Site Co-ordinator at Radstock Lane Community Centre since 2000.

35. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on the 28th June 2017 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

36. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor announced that since the last meeting of the Town Council he had been invited to the following event:-

1st July Laurel Park Football Club Annual Fun Day

The Mayor reminded Members that the Earley Green Fair was taking place on Saturday 5th August between 10am and 3pm.

37. TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEES

37.1 Planning Committee

37.1.1 The Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 11th July 2017 were presented by the Committee Chairman, Councillor A Bradley. Councillor Bradley noted that his apologies had not been recorded for the meeting.

On the proposition of Councillor W Luck seconded by Councillor J Armstrong it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee, as amended, held on 11th July 2017 (Minutes 25 – 33) be approved.

37.2 Amenities & Leisure Committee

37.2.1 The Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities & Leisure Committee held on 5th July 2017 were presented by the Committee Chairman, Councillor Mrs L Chambers. A Member suggested that further to Resolution 2, Minute 20 that the Town Clerk request demographic

data with regard to the Muslim population for the previous 10 years to ascertain the potential future requirement.

On the proposition of Councillor Mrs L Chambers seconded by Councillor T Chambers it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities & Leisure Committee held on 5th July 2017 (Minutes 15 – 25) be approved.

37.2.2 Urgent Matter : Mays Lane Cemetery

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of this item.

37.2.3 Radstock Lane Community Centre

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of this item.

38. REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES

38.1 Reports of Representatives

38.1.1 Earley Day Centre

Councillors noted details of the report of a meeting of Earley Day Centre held on 11th July 2017, prepared by Councillor Mrs Linda Chambers which was previously circulated with the Agenda.

38.1.2 Borough Parish Liaison Forum

Councillors noted details of the report of a meeting of the Borough Parish Liaison Forum held on 3rd July 2017, prepared by Councillor D Chopping which was previously circulated with the Agenda.

38.1.3 ReadiBus Management Committee

Councillors noted details of the report of a meeting of the ReadiBus Management Committee held on 29th June 2017, prepared by Councillor Brian Wedge which was previously circulated with the Agenda.

38.1.4 Queen Victoria Institute Fund

Councillors noted details of the report of a meeting of the Queen Victoria Institute Fund held on 17th July 2017, prepared by Councillor Brian Wedge which was previously circulated with the Agenda.

39. QUEEN'S AWARD FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Further to Minute 28, Councillors resolved to give further consideration to potential candidates for nomination for the Award which was given annually in recognition of outstanding achievement by groups of people in the United Kingdom who volunteered their own time to enhance and improve the quality of life and opportunities for individuals in the community. Following further discussion it was

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk invite Earley Emergency Responders to the next Town Council Meeting.

40. COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCES

40.1 Record of Members' Attendance

Councillors noted details of the Councillors' attendances during 2017/18, which had been circulated with the Agenda, and which are appended to these Minutes.

41. ORDERS FOR PAYMENT

Councillors were asked to receive details of the Orders for Payment since the last meeting of the Town Council.

RESOLVED that the various Accounts as set out in the list attached to these Minutes (Vouchers 195 – 241) be paid in the sums as stated.

42. PUBLICATIONS

Councillors noted that the following publications had been received and were available for perusal in the Council Offices:

Maiden Erlegh Residents' Association:	The Magazine, Issue 172, Summer 2017
Maiden Erlegh Residents' Association:	Minutes of meeting held on 13 th July 2017
Woodley & Earley Community Forum:	Agenda for meeting to be held 11 th September 2017

43. PRESS RELEASES

It was

RESOLVED that the following items should receive special press attention;

1. Recent visits of note by the Mayor together with photographs.
2. Reminder about the Earley Green Fair to be held on 5th August 2017 between 10am and 3pm.

44. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 8.52pm.