

EARLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Earley Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Radstock Lane, Earley, Berkshire on Wednesday 4th April 2018 which commenced at 8.00pm.

Present

Chairman – The Mayor, Councillor M Firmager

Councillors M Ahmed, J Armstrong, A Bradley Dr N Brock, Mrs L Chambers, T Chambers, D Chopping Mrs J Clark, Ms P Dunn, T Holton, R Houlbrooke, W Luck, Miss J Rance JP, J Russell, B Wedge and P Willis.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Miss L Blumenthal, Mrs M De Jong, G Grandison, N Jorgensen, Mrs P Jorgensen, Mrs S Matthews, C Smith and Mrs A Swaddle,

76. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on the 21st February 2018 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

77. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor announced that since the last meeting of the Town Council he had attended a number of events as follows:-

2 nd April	Women's World Day of Prayer at Park Church
17 th March	Mock Trials at Reading Crown Court
24 th March	HELP (Huge Earley Litter Pick)

78. TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEES

To receive the following:

78.1 Planning Committee

78.1.1 The Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 5th March 2018 were presented by Councillor W Luck

On the proposition of Councillor Luck seconded by Councillor B Wedge, it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 5th March 2018 (Minutes 121 – 128) be approved.

78.2 Amenities & Leisure Committee

78.2.1 The Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities & Leisure Committee held on 28th February 2018 were presented by Councillor Mrs L Chambers

On the proposition of Councillor L Chambers seconded by Councillor B Wedge it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Amenities & Leisure Committee held on 28th February 2018 (Minutes 62 - 68) be approved.

78.2.2 Radstock Lane Community Centre

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

78.3 Policy & Resources Committee

78.3.1 The Minutes of the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee held on 14th March 2018 were presented by Councillor T Holton

On the proposition of Councillor Holton and seconded by Councillor R Houlbrooke it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee held on 14th March 2018 (Minutes 53 - 62) be approved.

79. REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES

79.1 Reports of Representatives

79.1.1 Wokingham Borough Sports Council

Councillors noted a report on a meeting of Wokingham Borough Sports Council held on 5th March 2018, prepared by Councillor Michael Firmager previously circulated with the agenda.

80. SERVICE TO EARLEY AWARD

Councillors were advised that the Service to Earley Awards Panel had met to consider the nominations for the award on 28th March 2018. Two nominations were considered but following discussion it was decided that they did not meet the exceptionally outstanding levels of previous nominations and it was

RESOLVED that neither nomination be supported for an award in 2018.

81. URGENCY POWERS

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

82. COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCES

82.1 Record of Members' Attendance

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

83. ORDERS FOR PAYMENT

Councillors were requested to receive details of 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 981 – 1000) be paid in the sums as stated.

84. PUBLICATIONS

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

Borough Parish Liaison Forum:	Minutes of Meeting held on 5th February 2018.
Maiden Erlegh Residents' Association:	Minutes of meeting held 8 th March 2018. Magazine, Issue 174, Spring 2018.
Wokingham Borough Council:	Confidential: Agenda for Meeting of Borough Parish Liaison Forum held on 26 th March 2018.
Earleybus:	Minutes of Committee Meeting held 27 th March 2018. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 27 th March 2018.

85. PRESS RELEASES

Consideration was given as to whether any items should be the subject of a special press release and it was

RESOLVED that the Mayor would like to thank the residents of Earley for taking part in the Earley Environmental Group/Earley Town Council HELP (Huge Earley Litter Pick) which was a great success. About 75 litter pickers (residents, members of EASI, members of EEG , beavers, cubs and Trinity Church) collected 47 bags of rubbish, considerably less than in previous years which underlines the success of the EASI (Earley Adopt a Street) litterpicking scheme.

86. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 9.20pm