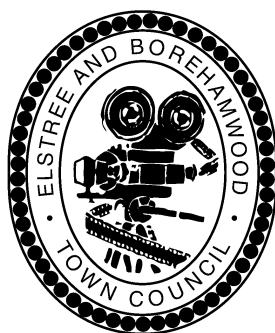


ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL



ANNUAL COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting held under the powers contained within the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 (“the 2020 Regulations”) which came in to force on 4 April 2020. The regulations enable local councils to hold remote meetings (including by video and telephone conferencing) for a specified period until May 2021. The 2020 Regulations apply to local council meetings, committee and sub-committee meetings in England.

The meeting was held remotely on a Zoom Webinar:

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on Wednesday 4 May 2021 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr S Rubner – Brookmeadow (Outgoing Mayor)
Cllr Mrs F Turner - Elstree (Incoming Mayor)
Cllr Mrs S Parnell – Hillside (Deputy Mayor)
Cllr C Butchins – Hillside
Cllr R Butler - Cowley Hill
Cllr R Challice - Shenley Road
Cllr A Collins - Cowley Hill
Cllr V Eni – Brookmeadow
Cllr P Kaza - Kenilworth South
Cllr S Lawrence - Kenilworth North
Cllr J Newmark - Kenilworth South
Cllr Mrs P Strack – Hillside
Cllr M Vince - Cowley Hill

In Attendance: D Salter – Entertainments Officer
J Simon – Mayor’s Secretary
H Jones – Town Clerk

Also Present: 6 Members of the Public

Prior to the meeting commencing, a short period of silence was held to commemorate the death of HRH Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh and the victims of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Cllr S Rubner in the Chair (Mayor)

1. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR

(i) Election of Mayor for 2021/22

Cllr S Rubner was in the Chair in his capacity as outgoing Mayor until the Town Mayor was elected.

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs P Strack, and seconded by Cllr S Rubner, that Cllr Mrs F Turner be elected Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year.

It was proposed by Cllr R Butler, and seconded by Cllr A Collins, that Cllr P Kaza be elected Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year.

Vote:

7 in Favour of Cllr Mrs F Turner
6 in Favour of Cllr P Kaza

It was RESOLVED that:

Cllr Mrs F Turner be elected Town Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year 2021/22.

(ii) Incoming Mayor's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

The Town Mayor read out and signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

(iii) Outgoing Mayor's Announcement

Cllr S Rubner provided an outgoing statement including thanks to his wife (Gina), Deputy Mayor, Members and Staff.

(iv) Incoming Mayor's Announcement

In her incoming announcement, the Town Mayor, Cllr Mrs F Turner described herself as a long-time resident of Elstree and Borehamwood, she promised to do the very best she could to serve the residents in the community. She thanked the outgoing Mayor, Cllr S Rubner, for all that he had done in his two-year term; especially his continuing work at vaccination centres and the support of charities that helped vulnerable people during the height of the Covid-19 pandemic such as *Gratitude* and *Goods for Good*.

Cllr Mrs F Turner in the Chair (Mayor)

2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

It was proposed by Cllr C Butchins, and seconded by Cllr V Eni, that Cllr Mrs S Parnell be elected Deputy Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year.

It was proposed by Cllr R Butler, and seconded by Cllr M Vince, that Cllr J Newmark be elected Deputy Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year.

Vote:

7 in Favour of Cllr Mrs S Parnell

6 in Favour of Cllr J Newmark

It was RESOLVED that:

Cllr Mrs S Parnell be elected Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year 2021/22.

(ii) Incoming Deputy Mayor's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

The Deputy Town Mayor read out and signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

3. APOLOGIES

There were none.

4. DECARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

5. MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that:

the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 10 March 2021 be signed by the Mayor as a true record and adopted by the Council.

6. GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

It was noted that a Full Council minute was required to resolve to adopt the General Power of Competence in accordance with the Localism Act 2011. It was noted that all thirteen Council Members had been elected in the 2019 May Elections and that the Town Clerk was CiLCA qualified with the relevant General Power of Competence component section.

It was RESOLVED that:

- (i) authorisation be hereby made for Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council to be entitled to exercise the General Power of Competence contained in the Localism Act 2011 in the 2021/22 municipal year;**
- (ii) it be hereby affirmed that Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council met the statutory criteria set out in the Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 in order to invoke (i) above; and**
- (iii) the eligibility of the General Power of Competence be next reaffirmed, subject to the approval of Members, at the Annual Council Meeting 2022.**

7. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

It was noted and understood that as ex-officio Members, the Mayor and Deputy Mayor would have no voting rights at the Entertainments Committee and that they would, therefore, not form part of the quorum of the Committee (unless acting also as a Standing Deputy for another Member who had sent apologies for absence).

It was RESOLVED that:

- (i) General Management Committee at its meeting on 8 July 2021 be asked to consider further the desirability/need for the appointment of an International Affairs Sub-Committee;**
- (ii) the Transport and Road Safety Forum and Community Safety Meeting (CSM) be amalgamated into one body (with meeting dates to take place according to the Schedule of Meetings for the Transport and Road Safety Forum and Terms of Reference being combined with immediate effect) and the new body to be called ‘The Transport and Community Safety Forum’; and**
- (iii) Membership of Committees, Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be as follows for the ensuing Municipal Year 2021/22: -**

Entertainments Committee

- (1) Cllr Mrs P Strack (Chairman)**
- (2) Cllr V Eni (Vice Chairman)**
- (3) Cllr Mrs F Turner (ex officio) (Mayor)**
- (4) Cllr Mrs S Parnell (ex officio) (Dep. Mayor)**
- (5) Cllr S Rubner**
- (6) Cllr S Lawrence**
- (7) Cllr R Challice**
- (8) Cllr P Kaza**

General Management Committee

- (1) Cllr Mrs S Parnell (Chairman)**
- (2) Cllr S Rubner (Vice Chairman)**
- (3) Cllr C Butchins**
- (4) Cllr J Newmark**
- (5) Cllr R Butler**

Environment and Planning Committee

- (1) Cllr C Butchins (Chairman)**
- (2) Cllr Mrs S Parnell (Vice Chairman)**
- (3) Cllr Mrs P Strack**
- (4) Cllr P Kaza**
- (5) Cllr R Butler**

Youth Council (2 Town Councillor representatives)

- (1) Cllr V Eni**
- (2) Cllr A Collins**

Sustainable Transport Sub-Committee

- (1) Cllr J Newmark (Lead Member)**
- (2) Cllr R Butler**
- (3) Cllr C Butchins**
- (4) Cllr Mrs P Strack**
- (5) (Youth Council Representative)**

Transport and Community Safety Forum

- (1) Cllr P Kaza (Chairman)**
- (2) Cllr V Eni (Vice Chairman)**
- (3) Cllr C Butchins**
- (4) Cllr S Lawrence**
- (5) Cllr A Collins**

International Affairs Sub-Committee

To be appointed

- Staffing Committee (Mayor, GMC Chairman & Town Clerk)**
- Appeals Committee (Entertainments & E&P Committee Chairmen & Town Clerk)**

8. OUTSIDE BODIES

It was RESOLVED that:

Membership of Outside Bodies be as follows for the ensuing Municipal Year 2021/22: -

Fairway Hall Town Clerk

Leeming/Aycliffe Big Local Advisory Panel (2 Ward Members)

Councillor (1) Cllr M Vince – Cowley Hill

Councillor (2) Cllr S Rubner – Brookmeadow

Elstree & Borehamwood Museum Group (1)

Councillor (1) Cllr A Collins

Borehamwood and Elstree Twin Town Association (1)

Councillor (1) Cllr M Vince

Elstree, Borehamwood and District Community Association (2)

Councillor (1) Cllr S Parnell

Councillor (2) Cllr Richard Butler

Hertsmere MENCAP (1)

Councillor (1) Cllr V Eni

Aldenham Country Park (1)

Councillor (1) Cllr P Strack

Maxwell Park Management Group (1)

Councillor (1) Cllr R Challice

First Impressions Group (2)

Councillor (1) Cllr S Parnell

Councillor (2) Cllr A Collins

9. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

It was RESOLVED that:

it be noted that a request under the Freedom of Information Act relating to the Annual Parish Meeting of 3 March 2021 had been received on 3 March 2021 and a response had been made by the Council on 23 March 2021.

10. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTION TIME

There were no questions.

11. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 9.22pm.

It was noted that the next meeting of Council was scheduled for Wednesday 23 June 2021 at 7.30 pm in Fairway Hall (first meeting returning to Fairway Hall following the easing of Covid-19 Lockdown restrictions).

Date:.....MAYOR.....