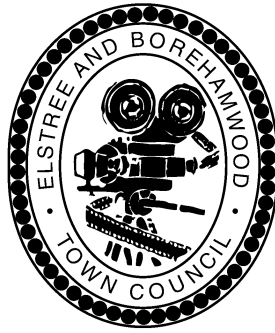


ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL



ANNUAL COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting held at Fairway Hall, Town Council Offices, Brook Close, Borehamwood, WD6 5BT on Wednesday 24th May 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present:

- Cllr C Butchins (Hillside Ward) (Outgoing Mayor)
- Cllr E Silver (Kenilworth Ward) (Incoming Mayor)
- Cllr V Eni (Brookmeadow Ward) (Incoming Deputy Mayor)
- Cllr C Barker (Brookmeadow Ward)
- Cllr R Butler (Cowley Hill Ward)
- Cllr A Coleshill (Cowley Hill Ward)
- Cllr G Franklin (Cowley Hill Ward)
- Cllr Mrs A Mitchell (Elstree Ward)
- Cllr Mrs S Parnell (Hillside Ward)
- Cllr S Rubner (Brookmeadow Ward)
- Cllr G Silver (Kenilworth Ward)
- Cllr Mrs P Strack (Hillside Ward)
- Cllr Mrs F Turner (Elstree Ward)

In Attendance:

- H Jones – Town Clerk
- T Malton - Deputy Clerk
- D Salter - Entertainments Officer
- J Simon - Mayor's Secretary

Also Present: 50 Members of the Public.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, one minute's silence was held in respect of Cllr Eileen Stanley, Sir Roger Moore and the victims and families of the recent terrorist attack in Manchester.

Cllr C Butchins in the Chair (Mayor)

01. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR

(i) Election of Mayor for 2017/18

Cllr C Butchins was in the Chair in his capacity as outgoing Mayor until the Town Mayor was elected.

It was proposed by Cllr G Silver, and seconded by Cllr C Butchins, that Cllr E Silver be elected Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year.

There being no other nominations, the motion was duly carried.

It was RESOLVED that:

Cllr E Silver be elected Town Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year 2017/18.

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

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

In his incoming announcement, the Town Mayor, E Silver stated: "I would like to thank my fellow Councillors for selecting me to be Town Mayor of Elstree and Borehamwood for the Municipal Year 2017 to 2018.

It is an honour and I feel humble that you have entrusted me to be your First Citizen. I promise that I will do everything to follow in the footsteps of the excellent Previous Mayors.

I look forward to attending many engagements and representing the Town in my capacity as Mayor and having the opportunity to see the excellent work of community volunteers, accompanied by the Mayoress – as official Consort for the first time in the history of Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council.

I would like to visit as many schools as possible in the Town as the youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow.

It gives me great pleasure that the Town Council's Defibrillator Project has been such a great success, from the initial idea by Laurence Stack to start a campaign in Elstree and Borehamwood to raise awareness of how these machines can, and do, save lives. From the start in June 2015 a team of Councillors and Laurence have installed over 27 defibrillators around the Town and the majority of the local schools now have one. This has been achieved within eighteen months of starting – the Town Council and Laurence can be proud of a good job done for the people of Elstree and Borehamwood to help save lives.

The Civic Festival this year, as usual, will be a busy one – starting with the Civic Parade celebrating the 40th anniversary of "Star Wars" on Saturday 17 June,

followed by 27 events – the final one on Sunday 9 July 2017 being the “Great Faith Get Together”.

My designated Charity for my Mayoral Year is the new Dementia Support Group. We will follow the model of Dementia UK, which will provide professional advice and other help as needed. This is a very successful project run in Barnet – why invent the wheel when we have a thriving model to follow? Sasha Capocci will make this one of her Charities when she is President of the Elstree and Borehamwood Rotary Club in for 2017 – 2018.”

In his outgoing speech, Cllr C Butchins thanked all of the Council Members and Staff with particular appreciation being expressed for Mayor’s Secretary. He reported having attended 110 Civic Engagements during the course of his term. Approximately £1,400 had been raised for designated charity, Elstree and Borehamwood Museum. Cllr Mrs P Strack expressed her personal and her colleagues’ appreciation to Cllr Butchins.

E Silver in the Chair (Mayor)

02. ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

(i) Election of Deputy Mayor for 2017/18

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

There being no other nominations, the motion was duly carried.

It was RESOLVED that:

Cllr V Eni be elected Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year 2017/18.

(ii) Incoming Deputy Mayor’s Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Announcements

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

In his incoming announcement, the Deputy Town Mayor, Cllr V Eni, thanked the Council for electing him to the position of office and stated that he too would seek to perform his duties to the very best of his abilities. He stated that it was a great privilege for him and he especially appreciated the support from his family and friends.

03. APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

There were none.

04. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS

There were none.

05. MINUTES OF COUNCIL

It was RESOLVED that:

the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 15 March 2017 be signed by the Mayor as a true record and adopted by the Council.

06. GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

It was noted that a Full Council minute was required to resolve to adopt the General Power of Competence for, *inter alia*, the purpose of continuity of the Business Forum, any grant awards agreed by Council outside of the scope of the Grants Policy 2017/18 and for any expenditure of CIL monies which satisfied the relevant criteria in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 (or any other lawful purpose agreed by Council).

It was noted that all thirteen Council Members had been elected in the 2015 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 2017/18 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 2018.**

07. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The Town Clerk read the proposed appointments proposed by Cllr Mrs P Strack and seconded by Cllr G Franklin.

It was noted that Standing Order No. 41 stated that the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor:

“...shall be ex-officio members of the Entertainments Committee but may be elected to any other committee in the same way as any Councillor may be.”

It was RESOLVED that:

- (i) the membership of the General Management Committee be increased from 5 to 6 Councillors; and**
- (ii) membership of Committees, Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be as follows for the ensuing Municipal Year 2017/18: -**

• **ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE** (8 Members)

Chairman	Cllr Mrs P Strack
Vice-Chairman	Cllr C Barker
Mayor (ex officio)	Cllr E Silver
Deputy Mayor (ex officio)	Cllr V Eni
Councillor (1)	Cllr Mrs S Parnell
Councillor (2)	Cllr Mrs A Mitchell
Councillor (3)	Cllr Mrs F Turner
Councillor (4)	Cllr A Coleshill

• **ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE** (5 Members)

Chairman	Cllr G Franklin
Vice-Chairman	Cllr C Butchins
Councillor (1)	Cllr Mrs P Strack
Councillor (2)	Cllr E Silver
Councillor (3)	Cllr Mrs S Parnell

- **GENERAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** (6 Members)

Chairman	Cllr Mrs S Parnell
Vice-Chairman	Cllr Mrs A Mitchell
Councillor (1)	Cllr S Rubner
Councillor (2)	Cllr C Butchins
Councillor (3)	Cllr G Franklin
Councillor (4)	Cllr G Silver

- **TRANSPORT & ROAD SAFETY FORUM** (5 Members)

Chairman	Cllr C Butchins
Vice-Chairman	Cllr S Rubner
Councillor (1)	Cllr Mrs S Parnell
Councillor (2)	Cllr V Eni
Councillor (3)	Cllr G Silver

- **CHINA SISTER TOWN SUB-COMMITTEE** (5 Members and 1 co-opted Member)

Chairman	Cllr Mrs P Strack
Vice-Chairman	Cllr C Butchins
Councillor (1)	Cllr Mrs S Parnell
Councillor (2)	Cllr S Rubner
Councillor (3)	Cllr G Franklin
Co-opted non Member (1)	P Wong-Morrow

• **BUSINESS FORUM** (All Members)

Chairman

Cllr C Butchins

Vice-Chairman

Cllr R Butler

• **YOUTH COUNCIL** (2 Members to represent the Town Council)

Councillor (1)

Cllr C Barker

Councillor (2)

Cllr Mrs S Parnell

08. OUTSIDE BODIES

The Town Clerk read the proposed appointments proposed by Cllr Mrs P Stack and seconded by Cllr G Franklin.

It was **RESOLVED** that representatives be appointed as follows for the ensuing Municipal Year 2017/18:-

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

Councillor (1) (Cowley Hill)

Cllr A Coleshill

Councillor (2) (Brookmeadow)

Cllr V Eni

• **Elstree and Borehamwood Museum Group** (1 Member)

Councillor (1)

Cllr E Silver

• **Borehamwood & Elstree Twin Town Association** (2 Members)

Councillor (1)

Cllr Mrs P Strack

Councillor (2)

Cllr C Butchins

- Elstree, Borehamwood and District Community Association (2 Members)

Councillor (1) **Cllr Mrs S Parnell**

Councillor (2) **Vacancy**

- Hertsmere MENCAP (1 Member)

Councillor (1) **Cllr A Coleshill**

- Community Safety Partnership (Town wide CSP) (1 Member)

Councillor (1) **Cllr Mrs P Strack**

- Community Hertsmere (1 Member and 1 Standing Deputy)

Councillor (1) **Cllr C Butchins**

Councillor (Standing Deputy) **Cllr Mrs P Strack**

- Aldenham Country Park (1 Member)

Councillor (1) **Cllr Mrs P Strack**

- Maxwell Park Management Group (1 Member)

Councillor (1) **Cllr Mrs S Parnell**

- First Impressions Group (2 Members)

Councillor (1) **Cllr Mrs S Parnell**

Councillor (2) **Cllr Mrs P Strack**

09. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTION TIME

China Sister Town Project

Responding to a query raised by P Welsh (Elstree Screen Heritage), Cllr Mrs P Strack provided clarification on the remit of the China Sister Town Sub-Committee.

It was noted that local businesses had been approached by representatives of the Sub-Committee in order to prepare a delegation to China to sign the relevant memorandum of agreement at a future date.

10. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

It was noted that the next Council meeting was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 14 June 2017.

The Mayor thanked all for attending and invited guests to light refreshments in Fairway Hall to celebrate the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Making and to wish the Council well for the 2017/18 Year.

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