

BROMYARD & WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL



MINUTES
C19/127 – C19/140

Minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council meeting held on
Tuesday 25th June 2019
at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Bromyard.

UNTIL NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT BEEN RATIFIED

PRESENT: Cllrs Page (Chair), Cllr. Brunson (Vice Chair) Cllrs. Aldridge, Andrews, Churchill, Clark, Dr Dunne-Thomas, Franklin, James, Martin, Pettitt, A Seldon and M. Seldon.

In attendance: Karen Mitchell - Town Clerk
Barbara Stanway – Deputy Town Clerk

5 Members of the Public

Fire Procedure Read to the meeting

		Action
C19/127	Apologies: Cllr. Cooper - Child Care cover Cllr. Davies - Holiday Cllr. Lester - Attending meeting elsewhere	
	The Chairman proposed that item c19/133 be brought forward to follow item C19/129. Agreed.	
C19/128	Declarations of Interest and written requests for dispensation: Cllr. Clark – C19/133 – non-pecuniary interest Cllr. Andrews – C19/134(2) non-pecuniary interest	
C19/129	Co-option: The Chairman explained the way in which co-option is carried out, each candidate has to achieve an absolute majority vote of those members in attendance. Two applications had been received; copies having been circulated to Members. IT WAS RESOLVED that Mr Albert Weaver be co-opted to fill one of the two vacancies in the Bromyard West Ward. Cllr Weaver signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and joined the meeting.	TC

	No motion was put forward in relation to the second applicant. The Clerk was asked to inform Herefordshire Council of the results.	
C19/133	<p>Notice of Motion: Climate Change: Cllr. Martin moved the motion as per the Agenda and accompanying Briefing Paper. Discussion followed. An amendment was moved to create a Working Party to advise the Council on a possible Climate Change Policy. The amendment was seconded, debated and voted upon at 5 for, 5 against with 3 abstentions. The Chairman gave a casting vote against the amendment. Cllr Seldon seconded the original motion which was debated at length, with Cllr. Martin summing up.</p> <p>IT WAS RESOLVED that: “This Council is asked to declare a Climate Emergency and look to become carbon neutral in its own activities by 2030. To set up a Working Party in cooperation with the community and relevant organisations both in Bromyard and the wider community to look at ways to make the Town carbon neutral as soon as possible and the implications of the resolution”.</p>	TC
C19/130	<p>Exclusion of members of the public and press: It was resolved to move into private session for the discussion of item C19/140</p>	
C19/131	<p>Committee Membership:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cllr A Seldon’s resignation from the Town Council’s Planning & Economic Development Committee was noted. 2. To appoint the newly co-opted Councillors, plus one existing Councillor to fill vacancies on the following committees: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Planning and Economic Development - 2 members required b) Burial - 1 member required <p>IT WAS RESOLVED that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Weaver become a member of the Planning and Economic Development Committee. • Cllr Franklin become a member of the Burial Committee • That one seat remain vacant on the Planning and Economic Development Committee until another member can be co-opted. 	
C19/132	<p>Outside Bodies: IT WAS NOTED that Cllr. Aldridge had decided to step down as the Town Council’s substitute representative to the Kempson Players Committee. IT WAS RESOLVED that Cllr. Pettitt fill the post.</p>	
C19/134	<p>Working Groups: Members considered setting up working groups for VE Day and Tourism. The Chairman asked members to consider the workload that this might bring to Officers and that there is nothing to stop members meeting and bringing ideas to Council. Following discussion IT WAS RESOLVED to set up the following working groups on the understanding that they would not be ‘clerked’:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a Working Group to prepare for VE Day 75th Anniversary Commemorations. Members: Cllrs Aldridge, Churchill, Davies and Pettitt. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a Tourism Working Group. Members: Cllrs Andrews, Aldridge, Martin and Pettitt. <p>The Chairman advised that the Planning and Economic Development Committee had a budget which might prove useful to the Tourism Working Group.</p>	
C19/135	<p>Allowance Scheme for Parish or Town Councillors: Discussion followed. IT WAS RESOLVED not to support the introduction of a basic allowance for Town and Parish Councillors at this time. The Clerk was asked to inform Herefordshire Council and to clarify if the Town Council can offer child care allowances to members if required.</p>	TC
C19/136	<p>Training: IT WAS RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to arrange for “in-house” training from HALC at a cost of £175.00</p>	TC
C19/137	<p>ID Badges: IT WAS RESOLVED to arrange for a supply of ID badges, it was suggested these should be in the form of badges which can be pinned.</p>	TC
C19/138	<p>Consultations: IT WAS RESOLVED unanimously, to support the proposals contained within the Herefordshire Council Draft Traffic Regulation Order (Various Roads, Bromyard) (7.5 Tonnes Maximum Gross Weight) 2019.</p>	TC
C19/139	<p>Presentations: IT WAS RESOLVED to present Certificates to three long standing ex-councillors at the earliest opportunity.</p>	TC
	As per the resolution at C19/130 members of the press and public were asked to leave the room during consideration of the following item to consider presentation of Awards.	
C19/140	<p>Awards: IT WAS RESOLVED unanimously to give a commendation, in the form of a framed certificate, to two people whose brave actions helped to save someone’s life. These to be awarded at the next meeting of Full Council in July.</p>	TC