

## Malmesbury Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of Malmesbury Town Council held in Malmesbury Town Hall on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 7.00pm.

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**PRESENT:** His Worship the Mayor, Councillor W R Jones  
Councillors: R Budgen, C C Doody, J M Exton, P J Exton, L G Grant,  
A J Gundry, K Power, C M Ritchie, F Vandelli and H Webb.

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr M J Asciak

**ALSO PRESENT:** Three members of the public and one member of the press.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None.

### **01. TO ELECT THE TOWN MAYOR FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2017/2018.**

It was proposed by Councillor Budgen, seconded by Councillor Exton and RESOLVED that Councillor W R Jones be elected to the office of Town Mayor for the Civic Year 2017/2018. There were no other nominations received.

### **02. TO ELECT THE DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2017/2018**

It was proposed by Councillor Doody, seconded by Councillor Webb and RESOLVED that Councillor F Vandelli be elected to the office of Deputy Town Mayor for the Civic Year 2017/2018. There were no other nominations received.

### **03. TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2017.**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017, as circulated, be received and adopted.

### **04. TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS TO SERVE ON COMMITTEES FOR 2017/2018**

Council Gundry presented a report identifying the requests made by councillors and a suggested allocation to the standing committees of the Town Council and the Joint Burial Committee and proposed that the allocation be adopted for the Civic Year 2016/2017. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Webb and APPROVED by the Town Council.

**Planning & Environment Committee:** M J Asciak, RE Budgen, J M Exton, P J Exton, A J Gundry, W R Jones, K Power and H Webb  
**Town Hall & Facilities Committee:** C C Doody, J M Exton, P J Exton, L G Grant, W R Jones and F Vandelli.  
**Community & Town Promotion:** M J Asciak, CC Doody, J M Exton, L G Grant, C M Ritchie and F Vandelli.  
**Joint Burial Committee:** P J Exton, A J Gundry, C M Ritchie, F Vandelli and H Webb

His Worship the Mayor adjourned Council in order for meetings of the Planning & Environment, Town Hall & Facilities and Community & Town Promotion Committees to take place. Following the election of Chairs and Vice Chairs to those committees Council was reconvened.

**05. TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS TO SERVE ON THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE FOR 2016/2017**

Consideration was given to the appointment of Councillors to the Policy & Resources Committee. The Mayor reminded the councillors that four of the seats on that committee were allocated to the Chairs of the Service Committees of the Council and the Chair or Vice Chair of the Joint Burial Committee and held by those councillors whilst in those respective roles.

The councillors holding those seats by virtue of their being elected Chairs of committees were identified as being Councillors Budgen, J M Exton, Vandelli and Webb.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED by the Council that the other four seats on the Policy and Resources Committee be allocated to Councillors Grant, Gundry, Jones and Ritchie

**06. TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS**

The Town Council agreed on the following appointments to outside organisation as representatives of the Town Council for the Civic Year 2017/2018:

**Wiltshire Association of Local Councils** – Councillors Gundry and Jones  
**Wiltshire Association of Market Towns** - Councillors Gundry and Vandelli  
**Elizabeth Hodges Trust** – Defer decision  
**Conservation Group** – Councillor Gundry  
**Malmesbury & District Community Transport** – Councillor Gundry  
**Town Team** – Councillor Grant  
**Malmesbury & District Twinning Association** – Defer  
**Operational Flood Group** – Councillor Gundry  
**Community Area Transport** – Councillor Budgen  
**Local Youth Management Group** – Councillor Vandelli

The Town Council to reconsider those deferred at a later date.

**07. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS**

The Town Clerk presented a report on the adoption of a process to co-opt new councillors following the recent election when only twelve candidates presented for sixteen seats and to reduce the required quorum for committees to three until such time as all seats were filled.

It was proposed by Councillor Webb, seconded by Councillor Budgen and RESOLVED by the Town Council that the process outlined in the report be adopted with a closing date for applications of 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017. It was also RESOLVED that the number of members required to form a quorum be reduced to three for those committees with vacant seats and until such time as the vacancies have been filled.

**The meeting closed at 20.11 hrs.**