# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WANTAGE TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE BEACON, PORTWAY, WANTAGE, ON MONDAY, 1 APRIL 2019, AT 7.30 P.M.

Councillors present: Councillor C McCarthy (Town Mayor)

Councillors, Mrs C E C Dickson, C S Dickson, J Goodman, Mrs J T Hannaby, K A Harris, B Mabbett, Mrs J E Nunn-Price, P O'Leary,

Mrs J Reynolds, D Richardson and Major J Sibbald

Others present: One member of the public

Clerk: Mr W P Falkenau.
Deputy Clerk: Miss Sheryl Sanders.

### **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A Crawford, Miss K Gill, Mrs M Gradwell and S Trinder.

### **Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests**

None.

### Minutes of the Council meeting held on 11 February 2019

The minutes were approved and signed.

### 69. Statements and questions from the public

None.

### 70. Matters arising from the Council meeting held on 11 February 2019

### 59. Amendment to Standing Orders

The NALC had made two suggestions to resolve the query relating to its Model Standing Orders. The first was to amend the standing orders as this council had already done. The second was to place 'token' motions on an agenda, with the intention that they be amended at the meeting, there not being a requirement to give advance notice of amendments to motions.

### 71. Minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 11 February and 4 March 2019

ON THE PROPOSITION of Councillor Mrs Reynolds SECONDED BY Councillor Major Sibbald IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be adopted.

### 72. Minutes of the Leisure and Amenities Committee meeting held on 25 February 2019

ON THE PROPOSITION of Councillor McCarthy SECONDED BY Councillor Goodman IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be adopted.

## 73. Minutes of the Promotion, Communications and Events Committee of the meeting held on 4 February 2019

ON THE PROPOSITION of Councillor Mabbett

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SECONDED BY Councillor Richardson IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be adopted.

### 74. Minutes of the Policy, Management and Finance Committee meeting held on 28 January 2019

ON THE PROPOSITION of Councillor Dickson SECONDED BY Councillor Goodman IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes be adopted.

### 75. District and County Councillors' reports

### County Councillor's report

County Councillor Mrs Hannaby reported that the County Council was proceeding with its transformation plans which were leading to officers departing. It had agreed to introduce compulsory purchase powers in order to enable major projects to proceed.

### District Councillors' report

There had recently been a Scrutiny Committee meeting regarding delivery of housing. The Town Council's application for the entertainment and alcohol licence for the Market Place was progressing.

### 76. Town Mayor's communications

The meeting closed at 7.45 p.m.

The Town Mayor was unable to attend the leaving event for Simon Spiers on the following Thursday. Councillor Goodman had agreed to deputise for him and to present the Pride in Wantage Award.

This was the last meeting prior to the election. The Town Mayor thanked councillors and staff for their work over the past year.

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