

Knutsford Town Council

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Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held 29th May 2018 In the Lower Council Chamber of the Town Council Offices

18/017 Present

Cllrs Coan, Malloy, Beswick, Dean, Farber, Gardiner, Goodrich, Gray, Mrs Gray, Hutchence, Power and Wells-Bradshaw.

In attendance: A Keppel-Green (*Town Clerk*)

18/018 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Forbes, Nicholson (personal business) and Mrs Wells-Bradshaw (business).

18/019 To receive declarations of members' interests

Cllrs Dean, Gardiner, Farber and Coan declared a non-pecuniary interest in 18/026 on the grounds of being known to applicants. Cllr Coan declared a pecuniary interest in 18/030 on the grounds of owning property adjacent to the area.

18/020 Public Participation

A representative of Knutsford Residents of Over Ward reported they had met with Adrian Fisher of Cheshire East Council to discuss the planning aspects of the development site on Longridge, proposed access and the Local Plan allocation.

A resident stated that the bus service serving Longridge was unreliable and both the bus company and Cheshire East Council were blaming each other for the issue. The resident further raised the poor condition of the road and car park at the hospital.

18/021 To receive and confirm the minutes of the meetings held 5th March and 14th May

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the meeting held 5th March.

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the meeting held 14th May.

18/022 To note the minutes of committees which have been published since the previous ordinary meeting

The minutes of meetings were noted. Cllr Malloy highlighted the upcoming Music Festival.

18/023 To receive reports from Members having attended external events since the previous meeting

Cllr Dean reported meeting with the Leader of Cheshire East Council regarding the public open space at Longridge where it was agreed the Town Council would identify the

beneficiaries of the covenant.

Cllr Power reported meeting with the Chief Officer of the Cheshire East North Citizen's Advice to discuss improving joined up thinking in areas such as wellbeing and mental health and that it would be discussed by the Environment Committee.

Cllr Malloy reported attending a meeting of the Longridge and Shaw Heath Community Partnership where expanding this to cover the entire town was discussed. Cllr Malloy further reported on attendance at an EGM for Community Spirit which had looked to close the organisation; it had been agreed to mothball Community Spirit and review the decision in twelve months.

18/024 To receive reports from members attending the monthly Makers' Market stall

Cllr Malloy reported on the promotion of events and a number of minor issues raised at the previous market.

18/025 To receive reports from and raise questions to Cheshire East Councillors

Cllr Gardiner reported he had attended the Health and Wellbeing board noting increased collaboration between officers and the health authorities. Cllr Dean highlighted the Local Transport Plan where there was lots about other towns but little for Knutsford.

18/026 To appoint trustees to the Charity of Marjorie Hurst

It was **RESOLVED** to reappoint Messrs Colin Hurrell and Rick Dallimore as trustees of the charity for the 2018-2022 term.

18/027 To appoint members to the Health and Social Care working group

It was **RESOLVED** to appoint Cllrs Beswick, Gardiner, Mrs Gray and Malloy to the working group.

18/028¹ To consider the funding of the 2056 (Knutsford) Squadron Air Training Corps marching band

It was **RESOLVED** that the council purchase the equipment and loan it to the ATC on the condition that the band ensures it is available for Civic Sunday and Remembrance Sunday each year.

18/029 To consider revisions to the Millennium Bursary

It was **RESOLVED** that the timeline of the award be amended as outlined.

18/030 To consider matters related to the potential sale of Open Space land at Longridge/Higher Downs by Cheshire East Council

Cllr Coan left the meeting and Cllr Malloy presided for this item.

The Town Clerk provided an update following the meeting held with Cllr Bailey stating that it had been confirmed that there would be one decision made by Cheshire East Council, whether to dispose of the land, which would be taken in consideration of the investigations into the covenant.

¹ Cllrs Goodrich and Hutchence arrived at the beginning of this item.

The Town Clerk further reported that he had spoken with Manchester City Council, as a beneficiary of the covenant, who had appointed a surveyor to investigate further and that the Asset of Community Value nomination would be determined by the end of June. Cllr Coan returned to the meeting.

18/031 To appoint Cllr Power to the Neighbourhood Plan committee

It was **RESOLVED** to appoint Cllr Power to the committee.

18/032 To approve the Annual Governance and Accounting Records

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Annual Governance Statement.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Accounting Statements.

18/033 To note payments

The payments were noted.

18/034 To receive a report of Mayoral Duties

The Mayor reported on duties as detailed in Annex A.

18/035 Member questions to the Town Clerk

The Town Clerk was asked to have the door to the chamber inspected by Cheshire East Council noting it was not opening/closing properly.

The Town Clerk reported that 571 signatures had been received on the Community Governance Review petition.

18/036 Public Participation

A resident stated that more positive action to promote cycling needs to be taken by the council, noting that the town centre maps did not mark cycle parking or the bus station.

18/037 To note date of next meeting

The date was noted.

ANNEX A: MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

6 March 2018 to 28 May 2018

Date	Event	Attended By
09/03/2018	Congleton TC Civic Dinner and Mayor's Ball	Town Mayor
09/03/2018	Lord Mayor of Chester Banquet	Deputy Town Mayor
10/03/2018	Bollington Mayor's Civic Dinner	Town Mayor
15/03/2018	Civic roll of Honour Crewe Campus Celebration for Cheshire College South and West	Town Mayor
17/03/2018	Crewe Mayor's Masquerade Ball	Town Mayor
22/03/2018	Halle GMCA Concert sponsored by Manchester Airport	Town Mayor
23/03/2018	Knutsford and District Talking Newspaper AGM	Town Mayor
24/03/2018	Knutsford Mayor's Charity Ball	Town Mayor
06/04/2018	Winsford Town Mayor's 'Oscars' Evening	Town Mayor
12/04/2018	Knutsford Talking Newspaper Guest Reader	Town Mayor
14/04/2018	Middlewich Mayor's Charity Ball	Town Mayor
15/04/2018	Macclesfield Mayor's Thanksgiving Service	Cllr Nicholson
19/04/2018	Knutsford Beer Festival - Sponsors' Night	Town Mayor
20/04/2018	Knutsford Beer Festival - Event	Town Mayor
22/04/2018	Macclesfield TC St George's Day Parade & Service	Town Mayor
24/04/2018	Thank You Get Together for Knutsford League of Hospital Friends	Town Mayor
27/04/2018	Knutsford Mayor's Fish Lip Soup Big Band Night	Town Mayor
28/04/2018	Poynton Mayor's Posh Party	Deputy Town Mayor
29/04/2018	Rotary Knutsford Jog rescheduled date	Town Mayor
29/04/2018	A Sunday Lunch for the Mayor of Cheshire East's Charities	Town Mayor
01/05/2018	Bollington Mayor Making Ceremony & Reception	Deputy Town Mayor
01/05/2018	Edward Penny RA and Local Artists Exhibition Preview for Knutsford Heritage Centre	Town Mayor
03/05/2018	Knutsford May Fair Official Opening and Drinks Reception for John Collins Fun Fairs	Town Mayor
05/05/2018	Knutsford Royal May Day Opening Ceremony	Town Mayor
06/05/2018	Knutsford & District Lions Lunch	Town Mayor
10/05/2018	Knutsford Mayor's Supporter and Charity Presentation Evening	Town Mayor
12/05/2018	Lord Mayor of Chester's Last Supper	Deputy Town Mayor

2018 CIVIC YEAR

16/05/2018	Manchester Airport 80th Birthday Celebration for Senior Citizens at Jubilee Hall	Town Mayor
17/05/2018	Congleton Town Council Mayor Making	Town Mayor
18/05/2018	The Welcome Café Lunch	Town Mayor
19/05/2018	Lilac Avenue residents street party	Town Mayor
20/05/2018	Official Opening of the Cadet Training Centre 2056 Squadron Air Cadets	Town Mayor
20/05/2018	Lord Mayor of Chester Annual Civic Service	Deputy Town Mayor
21/05/2018	Mayor Making & Annual Council – Winsford	Town Mayor
21/05/2018	Mayor Making & Annual Council – Middlewich	Town Mayor
23/05/2018	Mayor Making & Annual Council – Cheshire East	Town Mayor
23/05/2018	Oliver the Musical, Knutsford Musical Theatre Company	Town Mayor
28/05/2018	Knutsford & District Lions Fair on the Heath	Town Mayor