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# **Minutes**

Meeting of : Full Council
Date : 28 June 2021
Meeting held : The Guildhall
Commencing at : 6:30pm

Present:

Chair: Cllr C Corbin Vice Chair: Cllr T Corbin

Cllrs: A Bayliss, J Bolwell, J Broom, S Charleston, V Charleston, P Cunningham, B Dalton, C Hibbert, S Hocking, A Hoque, J King, C McGrath, M Mewse, J Nettle, A Riddle, E Rimmer, R Rogers, P Sample, C Stanway, I Tomes, M Webb and J Wells.

Officers: Annie Child, Thomas Simpkins and Estelle Sherry.

#### 1060. Apologies:

No apologies were received as all Councillors were present.

# 1061. Public Questions/Statement Time:

There were no questions or statements submitted by the public.

# 1062. Councillor Questions/Statement Time:

There were no questions or statements submitted by Councillors.

# 1063. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting of the Full Council held on 17 May 2021 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### 1064. Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Rogers noted that he owns and manages a building company which has previously completed works for Salisbury City Council.

# 1065. Dispensations:

No dispensations were requested.

# 1066. Chairman's Announcements:

1066.1. The Chairman's announcement can be found attached to these minutes.

- 1066.2. The Chairman also said that the Group Leaders, Cllrs Victoria Charleston, Paul Cunningham, Annie Riddle and Ian Tomes have agreed that there will be no Leader of the Council or Deputy Leader of the Council elected at this Full Council meeting. The Group Leaders will together provide leadership and strategic direction to the Council, working with the City Clerk. A weekly meeting of the Group Leaders and the Clerk will be held, and this meeting will assist in the determination of which matters are to be brought to Full Council and its Committees. These governance arrangements will be kept under review by the Group Leaders and changes made if required.
- 1066.3. The Group Leaders responded to this announcement giving the views of their Group and despite some differences, it was noted that all councillors hope to work together for the benefit of Salisbury.

# 1067. Referral of Minutes:

Councillors reviewed and noted the minutes as listed below

Planning 24 May 2021 Planning 7 June 2021 Services 21 June 2021

#### 1068. River Park Scheme:

Andy Wallis was unable to attend the meeting due to currently isolating, therefore the item was deferred until another occasion.

# 1069. Annual Governance Statement:

Councillors received a report from the Responsible Finance Officer, and following some discussion, it was

#### Resolved to:

1069.1. Approve the Annual Governance Statement.

# 1070. Accounting Statement:

Councillors received a report from the Responsible Finance Officer, and it was

#### Resolved to:

1070.1. Approve the Accounting Statements.

#### 1071. Financial Regulations:

Councillors received a report from the Responsible Finance Officer, and it was

#### Resolved to:

1071.1.Approve the adoption of these Financial Regulations and Internal Financial Controls.

# 1072. Standing Orders:

Councillors received a report from the Responsible Finance Officer, and it was

# Resolved to:

1072.1. Approve the adoption of these amended Stranding Orders.

# 1073. Councillor Attendance 2020/21:

Councillors reviewed Member Committee Attendance report for 2020/21, and it was

#### Resolved to:

1073.1. Note the report.

# 1074. Basic Parish and Travelling & Subsistence Allowance 2020/21:

Councillors reviewed Basic Parish and Travelling & Subsistence Allowance 2020/21 report, and it was

#### Resolved to:

1074.1. Note the report.

# 1075. Order of Precedence 2021/22:

Councillors reviewed the order of precedence 2021/22, and it was

#### Resolved to:

1075.1. Note the Order of Precedence

#### 1076. Committee and Working Group Membership:

Councillors considered the report, and it was

#### Resolved to:

1076.1. Confirm committee and working group memberships as shown in the report, noting that the Chairman of Finance and Governance Committee Personnel Committee Chairman will be agreed at their first meetings.

# 1077. Nomination to Outside Bodies Representatives:

Councillors reviewed the report and possible outside representatives, and it was

#### Resolved that:

Outside Representatives agreed as follows are;

- 1077.1. Salisbury Flood Working Group Cllr McGrath Chair, Cllr Hibbert, Cllr Riddle and Cllr Tomes
- 1077.2. Wiltshire Creative Cllr S Charleston
- 1077.3. Salisbury Museum Cllr Rimmer
- 1077.4. Bus Partnership Cllr Bolwell
- 1077.5. Allotments Association Cllr Stanway
- 1077.6. Salisbury BID board Cllr Broom
- 1077.7. Salisbury Conversation Partnership Cllr T Corbin and Cllr Nettle

#### 1078. Re-adoption of the General Power of Competence:

Councillors considered the report, and it was

#### Resolved to:

1078.1. Declare that the council meets the conditions, prescribed in Article 2 paragraph 2 of The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 (SI2012/965), and hereby resolves to adopt the General Power of Competence as provided in the Localism Act 2011 ss1-8. This declaration has effect until the Council's Annual Meeting 2025.

# 1079. Dispensations Policy:

Councillors reviewed the current policy, and it was:

# Resolved to:

1079.1. Approve the existing policy.

1080. <u>Matters, if any, which by reason of special circumstances the Chairman decides should be considered as a matter of urgency.</u>

There were 10 members of the public and 2 members of the press present.

The meeting closed at 19:26pm.

# <u>Chairman's Announcements - Cllr Caroline Corbin Mayor of Salisbury</u>

Well, what can I say in my first few weeks as Mayor I have been blessed and honoured to explore and embrace Salisbury. I took part in the official unveiling of the art exhibit created by Tim Scrace this too will pass! Which is a place to ponder in the

High Street over a coffee in Sonder. I have seen some wonderful events from Wiltshire Creative and those artists who put on these events did such a fabulous job and the dedication to their chosen art was evident. It was also a pleasure to be able to meet a lovely young mum with her two children who on one of her first visits to Salisbury having moved here with the military, I hope I made her feel welcome.

I have represented our City at the 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary memorial for Aneta and Nikoleta in Lizzy Gardens where a memorial bench has been placed for friends and family to take time out and reflect on their loved ones in a peaceful setting. The sun certainly was glorious for them and hopefully the healing will continue as they support each other.

I was able to attend the first Citizenship ceremony after lockdown where some fabulous people were inaugurated into Wiltshire, and more local Salisbury life. These ceremonies show we truly are diverse and welcoming.

It was also a pleasure to attend the reopening of The Chapel, Vestry and Brown Street. The Chapel team having held their nerve in quite testing times to offer some nightlife and once again get the heart of the City pumping. Do go along and show support over a cocktail or two. Or visit one of the many other hostelries Salisbury has on offer. I have during the sunny days recently attended a few.

We also saw the team at Salisbury Pride deliver in partnership with Swindon and Wiltshire Pride a pop up shop in the Old George Mall where connections were made and the presence welcomed with residents asking when it would return. Plans are still ongoing for the main event on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September and we are lucky to have the support of Officers at SCC and other businesses to see this continue to grow after its bumpy start.

I was invited to speak at the unveiling of the Share Library – a library of things which you may be able to borrow if you don't own one yourself. Eva and the team will I am sure do well with this project.

We also held an Armed Forces Day celebration with the Vice Lord Lieutenant Mr William Wyldbore-Smith. It wasn't as large as normal with ongoing restrictions, but it was good to see all the Armed Forces celebrated and to chat and hear their stories.

As we come out of lockdown it is vital to the businesses and communities of Salisbury that we show support where we can and empathy and understanding to all who live here.

I would also like to formally announce that I shall be raising funds for Mental Health support through the Bridge project working with Safer and Supportive Salisbury and to raise more funds for Salisbury Pride which has just completed CIC status.

We always say we look forward to Sunny days, holidays etc but what is needed most of all is embrace each day and live in the here and now.