

Malmesbury Town Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

Held in Malmesbury Town Hall on **Tuesday 19th October 2021** at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors C Doody, P Exton, L G Grant, W Jones, K Power, R Sanderson, F Vandelli, E Whatton, S D'Arcy, P Smith & F Smith

ALSO PRESENT: Claire Mann (Town Clerk), Gill Davie (Minutes)

MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS His Worship, Cllr Paul Smith reported;

- He contacted Waitrose with regard to the steps which will remain closed while Waitrose follow up issues with their contractor
- The police had been in contact about the young man who had damaged the CCTV and he has now reimbursed the cost of repair
- Remembrance Sunday is November 14th, with a service at 2pm followed by tea and cakes
- There will be a Sri Lankan Charity Dinner to raise money for Maggie's on Friday November 12th
- There is a Wreath Making Workshop to raise money for the Mayor's Charities in the Wesleyan Room on November 27th. Tickets are £25
- Plans for Late Night Shopping are progressing well
- The Newsletter is planned to be circulated in mid-November

The Mayor then asked Councillors to observe a minute's silence in memory of David Ames MP. Following this the Mayor was asked to write to Mrs Ames to send condolences from the Council

FC/21/73 Declarations of interest
None

FC/21/74 Apologies
Cllrs J M Exton, R P Jones, C Ritchie

FC/21/75 Public Questions on items of business included on the agenda
None.

FC/21/76 To receive and adopt the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 14th September 2021.
The Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 14th September 2021 were received, adopted & signed as a true record.

FC/21/77 To receive and note the minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee Meetings held on 25th August & 1st September 2021
The Minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee meetings held on 25th August & 1st September 2021 were received and noted.

FC/21/78 To receive and note the minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting held on 15th September 2021.
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- FC/21/79 To receive and note the minutes of the Town Hall & Facilities Committee meeting held on 8th September 2021**
The Minutes of the Town Hall & Facilities Committee meeting held on 8th September 2021 were received and noted.
- FC/21/80 To receive an update on CCTV provision following clarification of issues raised by Policy & Resources Committee**
Cllr W Jones confirmed that a preferred supplier would be appointed now that the outstanding questions had been answered and he believed that there were no reasons now not to go public with the plans. Cllr D'Arcy gave an update on the outstanding technical questions. He had recently visited Cricklade who have a very similar system which was installed at a lower cost.
Agreed: to ask the provider of Cricklade's system to respond to the specification before a final decision is made. The Town Clerk to inform Wiltshire Council that MTC intend to go ahead with the project and also to raise the issue of the camera to be positioned on the lamp standard in Station Yard. Also, to make a formal request to the Abbey regarding fixing the camera in Cloister Gardens. Once these have been actioned and feedback has been obtained from the working groups, to award the contract and produce a detailed Communications and Fundraising Plan
- FC/21/81 To confirm Christmas closure of Council Office and Information Centre**
The Town Clerk was asked to maintain access for the tenants of the Town hall over the festive season and to ensure that Jackdaws check the building thoroughly before they lock up.
Agreed: to close the Council Office and Information Centre early on Dec 24th and to re-open on Tuesday 4th January. The staff will reserve 2 days holiday for this week.
- FC/21/82 To consider Winter Planning report (CM)**
Agreed: to accept the report and to include winter planting within the tender for summer planting each year
- FC/21/83 To receive updates from representatives of Malmesbury Town Council on the following organisations;**
- Wiltshire Association of Local Councils & Society of Local Council Clerks** – nothing to report.
Market Town Forum - nothing to report
Malmesbury Conservation Group – nothing to report
Malmesbury Town Team – nothing to report
Malmesbury and District Twinning Association – Plans are being made for next year. A Quiz night is being held over zoom on Nov 1st
Operational Flood Group – Cllr Sanderson reported that the Malmesbury Flood Group are meeting with the group at Kingsmead. First Aid training will be taking place. The Operational Flood Group has a key action to update the Flood Plan
Community Area Transport Group – nothing to report
Local Youth Network Management Group – Cllr Vandelli reported that there is a LYN meeting on Nov 3rd. The Rise Trust will be holding a Youth Meeting at the Town Hall on Friday Nov 5th.
Movies at Malmesbury – Cllr D'Arcy stated that training on the till for the bar has been scheduled and it is hoped to get the bar functioning asap.
Malmesbury Climate Action Network (inc Malmesbury Against Plastic) – Cllr Vandelli reported that the second Repair Café had been a success and they are now looking for more volunteers with repair skills. Planters are in the process of being planted at the library. The Apple Day went very well recently

Athelstan Statue Project Group – nothing to report

Joint Parish Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Power reported on the meetings being held for the Informal Consultation and then provided feedback on the Formal Consultation.

FC/21/84

To receive an update from the Wiltshire Councillor Gavin Grant.

Cllr Grant reported on;

- His meetings to discuss bus services in the evenings and on Sundays from Malmesbury including a park and ride service from Station Yard car park
- His work with the Deputy Mayor to build a healthy and constructive dialogue with Malmesbury Primary School
- A meeting with the Malmesbury Area Community Policing team who are keen to get the Community Safety Forum up and running asap. It was suggested that the police team should be invited to meet with MTC.
- A Wiltshire Youth Council is being set up and it will be beneficial to build links with whoever gets elected to discuss the aspirations of young people in the town
- Pavement repairs are finally underway
- An invite has been given to Cllr Clewer to visit the town to explain the initiatives planned and currently underway

The meeting closed at 8.32pm