

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THETFORD TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, KING'S HOUSE, THETFORD, ON
TUESDAY 28th MAY 2019, STARTING AT 7.00 P.M. WITH THE OPEN FORUM

Present:
The Mayor, Councillor B J Canham

Councillors:

C Barreto	M P Brindle
C R P Burnett	J Butler
C Harvey	D J Hodgkinson
J Hollis	J James
M Taylor	S N H Wright

Officers present:

Tina Cunnell	Town Clerk
Roz Barnett	Deputy Town Clerk
Chris Crimmen	Committee Secretary

OPEN FORUM

A member of the public asked questions regarding the proposed Harriet Martineau Playpark and Air Pollution in Thetford which were answered by Officers and Councillors.

Minutes

- 29/19 DECLARATIONS OF ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS
None.
- 30/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Apologies were received from Councillors R F W Brame, D M Crawford, T J Jermy and M S Robinson.
- 31/19 MINUTES
- **RESOLVED:** The minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29th April 2019, excepting those items dealt with following the exclusion of press and public, to be addressed under agenda 38/19 below, be confirmed as a true record and signed/initialled by the Committee Chairman.
 - **RESOLVED:** The minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 9th May 2019 be confirmed as a true record and signed/initialled by the Committee Chairman.
 - **RESOLVED:** The minutes of Mayor Making held on 17th May 2019 be confirmed as a true record and signed/initialled by the Committee Chairman.
- 32/19 COMMITTEE REPORTS
To receive the following:

Planning Committee (947/18 – 956/18) 14/05/2019

RESOLVED: The Planning Committee minutes were adopted as presented.

a) Finance Committee (13/19 – 28/19) 23/05/19 21/05/2019

RECOMMENDATION: To recommend to Full Council the adoption of the Finance Report for the year end 31st March 2019 and the transfer to and from reserves for the year end 31st March 2019 (Appendix A).

RECOMMENDATION: To recommend to Full Council that the management responses for the internal audit be adopted. (Appendix B).

RECOMMENDATION: That Thetford Town Council approves the payments made in April 2019 (Appendix C).

RESOLVED: The Finance Committee recommendations and minutes were adopted as presented.

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MAYOR'S REMARKS AND REPORT

The Mayor reported that she had attended the Sports Fest at the Grammar School sports field which showed the public the whole range of sports played in Thetford.

Events attended since the last meeting

Mayor of Thetford Councillor Roy Brame

May

- 7 Annual Town Meeting
- 8 Thetford Academy Careers Fair
- 10 Thetford Business Forum Breakfast at High Lodge
- 11 The Mayor of Great Yarmouth Variety Show
- 12 Wear a Wig for Mark Day at The Albion

Mayor of Thetford Councillor Mrs Brenda Canham

May

- 18 Sports Fest at Thetford Grammar School Sports Field
Opening of Cloverfield Church Kitchen
- 23 Dinner followed by a performance of Cabaret the Musical at West Suffolk College

List of Forthcoming Events

- 9 June 2019 RAF Honington Freedom Parade, 11am at the Carnegie Room
- 21 June 2019 Civic Reception, 7pm at the Carnegie Room
- 23 June 2019 Civic Service, 10am at The Guildhall

15 September 2019 Battle of Britain Service, 10am at The Guildhall
10 November 2019 Remembrance Parade, 10am at The Guildhall
13 December 2019 Mayor's Carol Service, 7pm at St Cuthbert's Church

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TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

- Councillor J James reported the closed meeting of STAG will take place of Thursday 19th June 2019. The board of the GTDP will attend a training workshop on 6th June 2019. The Staniforth Trust will take part in the open gardens on Sunday 23rd June 2019 in aid of St Nicholas Hospice Care.
- Councillor M Brindle reported the garden centre opened in the Charles Burrell Centre.
- Councillor B Canham reported the Queen Mary steam engine has been repaired and is now fully operational.

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REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

- Councillor M Brindle reported that Sam Chapman-Alan is the Leader of Breckland Council.
- Council J James reported she had been appointed to serve on the Breckland Council Governance and Audit Committee.

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REPAIRS TO REDCASTLE PLAY AREA

The Town Clerk reported she had obtained 3 quotes to replace the rubber matting that had been vandalised and proposed a risk to users. Under her powers in 4.5 Financial Regulations to authorise Health & Safety repairs a contract was issued to Playscape for £3395 (5420).

RESOLVED: That Thetford Town Council replace the rubber matting at the Redcastle Play Area at a cost of £3,395 (5420).

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COMMITTEE OFFICERS UPDATE

None.

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

None.

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EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider resolving that, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded for any remaining items of business on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

RESOLVED: The Council approved the Full Council and Committee minutes recorded below the line.

Chairman.

