

TEWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 6th JUNE 2016 AT 6.00pm IN THE TOWN HALL

PRESENT

Councillors K. Brennan (Chairman), J. Badham, H. Burns, P. Clatworthy, C. Danter, R. Mills, S. Raywood, M. Sztymiak and P. Workman

10332(01) APOLOGIES

- i. Cllr P. Aldridge
- ii. Cllr A. Mitton
- iii. Cllr M. Poxon
- iv. Cllr A. Smith
- v. Cllr V. Smith

10333(02) DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

- vi. Cllr Sztymiak: Tewkesbury Borough Councillor and Gloucestershire County Councillor
- vii. Cllr Workman: Tewkesbury Borough Councillor

10334(03) DISPENSATION REQUESTS RECEIVED

None

10335(04) TO RECEIVE THE DRAFT ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

The Town Clerk notified councillors that the annual return audit date would be extended by one week to provide time for Grant Thornton to restate a figure from last year's return. It was noted that the accounting software nevertheless accurately reflected income and expenditure for the preceding financial year. Councillors agreed to call an extraordinary meeting on 13th June 2016 to approve the draft accounts. Since the meeting Grant Thornton have given 20th June 2016 as their preferred date. Clerk to contact GAPTIC for advice on periodic use of a qualified accountant following a recommendation by both the internal and external auditors.

10336(05) TO AGREE THE PROPOSAL FROM THE WORKING GROUP ON THE MERGER OF COMMITTEES

Cllr Sztymiak spoke in favour of the proposal from the working group and proposed that it be adopted by the Council. This was seconded by Cllr Raywood and approved by council.

10337(06) TO AGREE THE PROPOSAL FROM THE WORKING GROUP ON THE SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Cllr Burns asked whether it would be helpful to change the timings of council meetings to a 6:30pm or 7:00pm start to make it easier for councillors and members of the public to attend. The Mayor suggested that such a change could take place for committees who should be free to decide their own start times to suit their members' schedules. Councillors then voted to adopt the proposed schedule of meetings provided that the Annual Assembly be held on the 10th April rather than the proposed 17th April date.

10338(07) TO ARRANGE FOR THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS ONTO THE AGREED COMMITTEES AND TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Councillors agreed to the election of the following councillors to committees:

Buildings & Moorings:	WEDNESDAY
9 Councillors	Quorum: 5
P. Workman (Chairman), K. Brennan (Town Mayor), P. Clatworthy (Deputy Mayor), J. Badham, H. Burns, C. Danter, R. Mills, S. Raywood.	
Mayor and Deputy Mayor are ex-officio.	
Finance & Staffing:	THURSDAY
3 Chairs plus 6 Councillors	Quorum: 5
K. Brennan (Chairman) (Town Mayor), P. Clatworthy (Deputy Mayor), P. Aldridge, J. Badham, H. Burns, C. Danter, R. Mills, S. Raywood, M. Sztymiak, and P. Workman.	
Mayor and Deputy Mayor are ex-officio.	
Environment & Amenities:	TUESDAY
9 Councillors	Quorum: 5
M. Sztymiak (Chairman), K. Brennan (Town Mayor), P. Clatworthy (Deputy Mayor), H. Burns, C. Danter, and S. Raywood.	
Mayor and Deputy Mayor are ex-officio.	
Planning:	WEDNESDAY
7 Councillors	Quorum: 3
R. Mills (Chairman), K. Brennan (Town Mayor), P. Clatworthy (Deputy Mayor), H. Burns, and S. Raywood.	
Mayor and Deputy Mayor are ex-officio.	
Severn Ham:	THURSDAY
5 Councillors and 3 co-opted	Quorum: 3
P. Aldridge (Chairman), K. Brennan (Town Mayor), P. Clatworthy (Deputy Mayor), J. Badham. <i>(Mr A. Purkiss, Mr J. Lucas, and Mr T. Perry as co-opted members of the public).</i>	
Mayor and Deputy Mayor are ex-officio.	

Due to the absence of some councillors it was noted that such councillors may apply to join committees with vacancies if they contact the office as soon as possible. Due to the absence of a definitive list of outside bodies it was agreed that outside bodies would have their membership reviewed in full at the next Council meeting.

10339(08) TO AGREE THE PROPOSAL OF A TRANSFER OF LAND FRONTING THE MOORINGS OPPOSITE RED LANE ALONG WITH THE MOORINGS FROM TEWKESBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Councillors discussed at length the arguments for and against the transfer. Councillor Sztymiak proposed that a decision cannot be made without further information, this was seconded by Councillor Workman and accepted by council. Clerk to contact solicitors already instructed in this matter for guidance.

10340(09) TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE COMPLETED PARKS SURVEY FOR DELIVERY TO KNIGHT KAVANAGH

Councillors acknowledged the completed survey and Cllr Raywood proposed that this be approved. This was seconded by Cllr Danter and approved by council.

The meeting closed at 7:00pm