

BERKHAMSTED TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of

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Held at the Main Hall, Civic Centre on

Monday 7 June 2021 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT:

Councillors S Claughton – Town Mayor
W Conian – Deputy Town Mayor
A Armytage
G Corry
P de Hoest
P Fisher
J Jones
G Stevens
N Taylor
P White
N Woolner

OTHERS PRESENT:

Officers: T Noakes, Town Clerk

NOT PRESENT:

Councillors A Peeler
M Hardinge
T Porter

OPENING MATTERS AND GOVERNANCE

FC 79/21 To receive **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr R Freedman.

FC 80/21 To receive **declarations of interest** regarding items on the agenda

No declarations of interest were declared.

FC 81/21 **Minutes of the last meeting**

To receive and approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on the 04 May 2021 (previously circulated).

Minutes of the meeting of the Annual General Meeting held on the 04 May 2021 were **approved**.

FC 82/21 Public Participation

To **suspend standing orders** to allow any members of the public present to speak.

No members of the public attended.

FC 83/21 Town Mayor’s Communications

Deferred.

FC 84/21 To **RESOLVE** that under Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded for the remainder of the meeting, because it is likely that publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business or for other special reasons stated in the resolution, arising from the nature of the business or proceedings.

FC 85/21 High Street Changes to Parking

The Town Clerk gave an update on the status of the High Street Changes to Parking. After a detailed discussion about the remaining options, FC decided that it could not proceed with the project on the basis of the conditions being laid down by Dacorum Borough Council (DBC) relating to the retention of more pay and display parking bays. The decision was made because the original benefits of the project for local businesses and residents would not be met by making any further changes to the latest version of our proposal. The Town Clerk would write to the Leader of DBC, informing him of the Council's decision, while making it clear that the Council valued ongoing discussions with DBC about a revised model for the High Street in the future.

Action – Town Clerk

FC 86/21 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 19.52 hrs.

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