



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICHESTER HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM
AT THE COUNCIL HOUSE, NORTH STREET, CHICHESTER
ON WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2018 AT 6.00PM**

- PRESENT** : The Mayor (Councillor P Evans)
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Bell)
Councillors Apel, Budge, Dignum, M Evans, T French, Galloway, Holman,
Keyworth, Kilby, Macey, Plowman, Scicluna, Sharp and Tupper
- APOLOGIES** : Councillors Dempster, J French, Hixson and Joy
- IN ATTENDANCE** : Town Clerk, Administration Manager, Mayor's Chaplain and Macebearer

The Mayor asked Councillors to stand for a one minute silence in remembrance of former Mayor, Terrance France, who had passed away recently.

54 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

As recorded above.

55 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 6 December 2017, having been printed and circulated be approved, adopted and signed as a correct record.

56 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor commented on the numerous Mayoral engagements he and the Mayoress had carried out since the last Council Meeting. The Mayor's Charity Ball held at the beginning of February 2018 had been successful in raising money for the Mayor's Charities.

The Mayor reminded Councillors of the forthcoming Freedom Ceremony on Sunday 25 February 2018 at Chichester Festival Theatre when ESA astronaut Timothy Peake CMG would receive the Freedom of the City.

It was noted that the new Mayor for 2018/2019 would be elected at the Council-in-Committee Meeting on Wednesday 14 March 2018.

57 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public being residents of the City pursuant to Standing Order 27.

58 MINUTES OF MEETINGS

(a) Planning & Conservation Committee

It was moved by Councillor Kilby as Chairman of the Committee, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2017 be approved and adopted.

It was RESOLVED that the original motion put by Councillor Kilby that the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2017 be approved and adopted.

(b) Community Affairs Committee

It was moved by Councillor Galloway as Chairman of the Committee, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2018 be approved and adopted.

Councillor Sharp commented that Minute 29 Friends of Centurion Way was not correct but this would be amended at the next Community Affairs Committee. Councillor Galloway added that the Dossier from the Friends of Centurion Way had now been received and a copy was in the Administration Office.

Councillor Plowman commented on Minute 28 Priory Park 100 Commemoration Event and advised that the 11th Duke of Richmond and Gordon had agreed to be Patron of the Priory Park 100 event.

It was RESOLVED that the original motion put by Councillor Galloway that the Minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2018 be approved and adopted

(c) Finance Committee

It was moved by Councillor Dignum, as Chairman of the Committee, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2018 be approved and adopted excluding the Recommendation in Minute 80 which would be discussed separately.

Councillor Dignum commented on the Minutes relating to the purchase of a new vehicle for the City Council and the updating of the Council House CCTV system.

Councillor Plowman said that the Annual Meeting of Council (Mayor Making Ceremony) on 16 May 2018 being held at the Guildhall in Priory Park complemented the Priory Park 100 commemoration event.

It was RESOLVED by Councillor Dignum, as Chairman of the Committee, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2018 be approved and adopted excluding the Recommendation in Minute 80 which would be discussed separately.

Councillor Dignum drew the Council's attention to the following Recommendation :

Minute 80 Public Realm Projects

It was RECOMMENDED to Full Council that the quote from Earth Anchors Ltd in the sum of £5,360.60 to replace the Flower Tower Base surrounds be accepted and funded from the Public Realm budget.

It was RESOLVED that the quote from Earth Anchors Ltd in the sum of £5,360.60 to replace the Flower Tower Base surrounds be accepted and funded from the Public Realm budget.

(d) Planning & Conservation Committee

It was moved by Councillor Kilby as Chairman of the Committee, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 February 2018 be approved and adopted.

It was RESOLVED that the original motion put by Councillor Kilby that the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 February 2018 be approved and adopted.

(e) Community Affairs Committee

It was moved by Councillor Galloway as Chairman of the Committee, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 February 2018 be approved and adopted.

Councillor Scicluna declared a Personal Interest in Minutes 33(f), (h) and (k).

It was RESOLVED that the original motion put by Councillor Galloway that the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 February 2018 be approved and adopted

59 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Councillor M Evans, as the City Council's representative on the Oxmarket Centre of Arts, reported on financial matters that had been discussed at a recent Trustees meeting.

Councillor Scicluna, as the City Council's representative on the Chichester Conservation Area Advisory Committee (CCAAC), advised that it was the 50th anniversary of the studies that had been carried out on the historic cities of Bath, Chester, Chichester and York. Chester Civic Trust had contacted the CCAAC about meeting up in Chichester on 3 October 2018 to discuss how the past 50 years has affected the historic cities.

Councillor Plowman, as the City Council's representative on the Dear's Charity, advised that planning permission had been obtained to build 4 new almshouses near Tozer Way in Chichester.

Councillor Tupper, as the City Council's representative on the Sussex Community Rail Partnership Arun Valley Steering Group, advised that the floral displays at local railway stations in the area would continue by the Aldingbourne Trust although Network Rail would no longer be investing in this initiative. He added that from May 2018 a new early morning service to London Bridge would be introduced.

60 WARD REPORTS FROM CHICHESTER CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor M Evans, as a North Ward member, commented on the recently held Summersdale Residents Association Annual General Meeting and concerns in the North Ward regarding the access to the new petrol station in Lavant Road. Councillor M Evans added that the Chichester Harbour Conservancy had a vacancy for Chairman.

Councillor Budge, as a North Ward member, thanked the City Council for providing three new benches on the East Broyle estate.

Councillor Sharp, as a South Ward member, advised that there was support from the community for submitting a bid to purchase the Muchos Nachos premises in Whyke Road. Councillor Sharp reported that the Abbas Combe Nursing Home in the South Ward was changing hands but it was hoped that the site would in future benefit residents and the local community.

61 REPORTS FROM CHICHESTER DISTRICT AND WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL'S
WARD MEMBERS

There were no reports from Chichester District Council's ward members.

Councillors Jeremy Hunt, Simon Oakley and Jamie Fitzjohn representing West Sussex County Council commented on matters associated with their City wards.

62 FAIRTRADE CHICHESTER

Councillor M Evans reported that she and the Mayor had recently met with a representative of Fairtrade Chichester and it had been discussed that Chichester City Council publicly re-affirm its Fairtrade pledge.

It was proposed, seconded and RESOLVED that Chichester City Council re-affirm its Fairtrade pledge and that Councillor M Evans be the City Council representative on behalf of Fairtrade.

It was suggested that perhaps the Fairtrade logo could be included on the new City Council signs.

63 QUESTIONS

There were no questions from members of the Council pursuant to Standing Order 24.

64 COMMON SEAL

RESOLVED that the Common Seal be affixed to any documents necessary to give effect to the resolutions passed at this meeting.

The meeting closed at 6.55pm.