

**MINUTES OF THE 46TH ANNUAL STATUTORY MEETING OF CLEVEDON TOWN
COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL OFFICE, 44 OLD STREET, AT 7.30 PM ON
WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY 2019**

PRESENT: Chairman Cllr J. West

Councillor: N. Barton, C. Blades, B. Cherokoff, A. Everitt, C. Francis-Pester, J. Geldart, A. Goodliffe, B. Hatch, G. Hill, K. O'Brien, D. Shopland, R. Westwood, H. Young.

In Attendance; Ms P. Heath, Town Clerk, Mrs S Howard Deputy Town Clerk, Mrs C. Boundy.

North Somerset Councillors: Cllr C. Cherry (Walton), Cllr M. Crosby (South), Cllr G. Richardson (West).

Prayer

Prayers were said by Mrs Jean Balcombe.

19/1048 WELCOME AND THANK YOU BY THE RETIRING CHAIRMAN

The Chairman welcomed the new Town Councillors and the New District Councillors who were then asked to introduce themselves. The Chairman congratulated Cllr David Shopland and Cllr Richard Westwood who had been elected as Chairman and Vice Chairman of North Somerset Council.

Cllr West expressed her thanks for all the work and support by Clevedon Town Councillors and staff members explaining she had presented them with personal gifts earlier in the day.

With the permission of the Chairman Cllr Hatch welcomed the new members.

Cllr D. Shopland thanked Cllr West on behalf of the Council for all her hard work and dedication over the last year.

19/1049 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED: to accept the apology for absence given Cllr T. Morgan, (family commitment)

19/1050 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest on items on the agenda

19/1051 ELECT A CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2018/2019

Cllr West proposed by Cllr Hill, seconded by Cllr Hatch.

Cllr Shopland proposed by Cllr Barton, seconded by Cllr Everitt.

Proposed by Cllr Shopland, seconded by Cllr Westwood that the Council should break with historic precedents, and not evoke standing order 12 for the vote of Chairman and Vice Chairman, thereby the votes shall be by a show of hands. Following a discussion this was **RATIFIED by 8 votes to 7.**

Cllr David Shopland was elected as Chairman of Clevedon Town Council by **9 votes to 7**

Cllr Shopland thanked the Council for their support and promised to be impartial and fair, explaining that although he was also Chairman of North Somerset Council, in all things Clevedon, Clevedon Town Council would take precedent. With the changes at North Somerset the Town Council has an opportunity to influence the future of the town through

the offices of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of NSC being Clevedon Town Council. He advocated a close working relationship not only with NSC but also with adjacent Town & Parish Councils in North Somerset.

19/1052 THE DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE – CHAIRMAN

The Chairman read and signed the declaration of office, witnessed by the Town Clerk.

19/1053 AWARD THE PAST CHAIRMAN’S BADGE TO THE RETIRING CHAIRMAN

Cllr D. Shopland awarded the past Chairman’s badge to Cllr West.

19/1054 ELECT A VICE -CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2018/2019

Cllr Hill proposed by Cllr Hatch, seconded by Cllr West

Cllr Geldart proposed by Cllr Westwood, seconded by Cllr Everitt.

Cllr Geldart was elected as Vice Chairman of Clevedon Town Council **by 7 votes to 6**

19/1055 RECEIVE THE DECLARATION OF OFFICE -VICE CHAIRMAN & AWARD THE VICE CHAIRMANS BADGE OF OFFICE

The Vice-Chairman read and signed the declaration of office, witnessed by the Town Clerk. The Chairman presented the Vice Chairman’s badge of office and congratulated Cllr Shopland.

19/1056 CHAIRMAN’S NOMINATION FOR CONSORT AND THE PRESENTING OF THE CONSORTS BADGE

Cllr D Shopland named Cllr Mrs A. Shopland as his consort and presented her with the consort’s badge.

19/1057 APPOINT MEMBERS TO SERVED ON THE STANDING COMMITTEES: -

A list for member’s preference had been circulated prior to the meeting.

19/1057.1 ALLOTMENTS;

N. Barton, B. Hatch, A. Everitt, A. Goodliffe, G. Hill, **R. Westwood (C)**, H. Young.

RESOLVED: To appoint the above nominated members.

19/1057.2 PLANNING;

N. Barton, B. Cherokoff, **A. Everitt (C)**, C. Francis-Pester, A. Goodliffe, B. Hatch, G. Hill, K. O’Brien, A. Shopland, J. West, R. Westwood, H. Young.

RESOLVED: To appoint the above nominated members.

19/1057.3 PROPERTY

N. Barton, A. Everitt, C. Francis-Pester, **J. Geldart (C)**, A. Goodliffe, G. Hill, K. O’Brien, J. West, R. Westwood, H. Young

RESOLVED: To appoint the above nominated members

19/1057.4 TOWN EVENTS & AMENITY;

N. Barton, C. Blades, B. Cherokoff, A. Everitt, **C. Francis-Pester (C)**, J. Geldart, A. Goodliffe, B. Hatch, G. Hill, K. O’Brien, A. Shopland, J. West, R. Westwood, H. Young.

RESOLVED: To appoint the above nominated members.

19/1057.5 TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS;

N. Barton (C), A. Everitt, J. Geldart, A. Goodliffe, G. Hill, K. O'Brien, D. Shopland, R. Westwood, H. Young

RESOLVED: To appoint the above nominated members.

The meeting was adjourned whilst each of the above committees have their first meeting as per the agenda's attached. Upon conclusion of the above committee meetings, the meeting reconvened.

19/1057.6 FINANCE & GENERAL POLICY

Chairman of Council – D. Shopland

Vice Chairman of Council – J. Geldart

Past Chairman of Council – J. West

Chairman Allotments – R. Westwood

Chairman Property – J. Geldart

Chairman Planning – A. Everitt

Chairman T & H – N. Barton

Chairman T E & A – C. Francis-Pester

Councillors – B. Cherokoff, A. Goodliffe, G. Hill, T. Morgan, K. O'Brien, **H. Young (C)**

RESOLVED: To appoint the above nominated members.

The meeting was adjourned whilst Finance & General Policy committee had their first meeting as per the attached agenda. Upon conclusion of the committee meeting, the meeting reconvened

19/1058 TO CONFIRM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEES AS ELECTED.

Chairman Allotments – R. Westwood

Chairman Property – J. Geldart

Chairman Planning – A. Everitt

Chairman T & H – N. Barton

Chairman T E & A – C. Francis-Pester

Chairman of Finance & General Policy -Cllr H. Young

19/1059 TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE SUB COMMITTEES REPORTING DIRECT TO COUNCIL.

19/1059.1 Community Resilience;

N. Barton, J. West, R. Westwood, H. Young

RESOLVED: To appoint the above nominated members.

19/1059.2 Public Toilets;

N. Barton, G. Hill, T. Morgan, J. West

RESOLVED: To appoint the above nominated members.

19/1059.3 Youth in Community

Chairman of the Council – D. Shopland

Chairman of FGP- H. Young

Chairman of TEA – C. Francis-Pester

Chairman of Property – J. Geldart

N. Barton, A. Everitt, G. Hill, J. West,

19/1059.4 Vision Group

N. Barton, A. Everitt, C. Francis-Pester, A. Goodliffe, J. West

19/1060 TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE COUNCIL ON OUTSIDE BODIES - LIST ATTACHED

A list of the outside bodies had been circulated with the agenda and the following Councillors were appointed.

Civic Society`	Cllr G. Hill
Clevedon Community Ass	Cllr Francis-Pester
	Cllr A. Shopland
	Cllr J. Geldart

Clevedon Community Centre will be contacted to ascertain if they will accept 3 representatives

Clevedon Pact	Cllr Hill
	Cllr Young
Clevedon Pier Trust	Cllr West
	Cllr Francis-Pester
	Cllr Goodliffe

Clevedon Pier Trust will be contacted to ascertain if they will accept 3 representatives

Clevedon Sailing Club	Cllr Hatch
Clevedon Twinning Assoc	Cllr Geldart
	Cllr Goodliffe
Clevedon Community Hospital CCG	Cllr Westwood

Cllr Young declared a personal interest as she is a non-executive director on current CCG board

Farmers Market co-op	Cllr West
Gwilliam & Woodward Trust	Cllr A Shopland
NS Safety & Coastal Advisory	Cllr Hatch
Nailsea & District Community Transport	Vacancy

Cllr Hill informed members that he had resigned from the Nailsea and District Community Transport: there were no volunteers to take up the representation on NDCT

CANS	Cllr Hatch
Strode Centre users Group	Cllr Blades
	Cllr Westwood
	Cllr Geldart
	Cllr Barton
Youth Centre Management	Cllr D Shopland
	Cllr A. Shopland
	Cllr J. Geldart

The Barn, Youth Centre Management Committee will be contacted to ascertain if they will accept 3 representatives

Marlen's Trustees	Cllr Cherokoff
Land Yeo Friends	Cllr Westwood
	Cllr West
NSC Standards Board Nominated Rep	Cllr Hatch

19/1061 NOTIFICATION AND TO APPOINT CHAPLAIN'S TO THE COUNCIL

19/1061.1 Chairman to appoint the Chaplain

The Chairman to notify the Council once a chaplain has been appointed

19/1061.2 Council to appoint the Deputy Chaplain

It was proposed, seconded and **AGREED** to ask Mrs Jean Balcombe to be the Deputy Chaplain

19/1062 CONFIRM THAT CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL HAVING OBTAINED THE NECESSARY CRITERIA REAFFIRMS ITS WISH TO USE THE GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

Proposed by Cllr Shopland, seconded and **RESOLVED** that having met the necessary criteria Clevedon Town Council reaffirms the use of the General Power of Competence.

19/1063 SIGNATORIES SHALL BE 2 OF THOSE SO AUTHORISED FOR ALL ACCOUNTS HELD BY CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL,

Cllr Francis-Pester, Cllr Hill, Cllr West, Cllr B. Cherokoff, & new signatories Cllr A. Everitt, Cllr R. Westwood, Cllr H. Young. Cllr Geldart requested to be removed from the signatories list.

Proposed Seconded and **RESOLVED** that the above signatories are confirmed.

19/1064 CONFIRM IF THE 5 VACANCIES TO BE FILLED BY CO-OPTION OR ELECTION AND IF CO-OPTION TO AGREE TIMETABLE AND CRITERIA FOR CO-OPTION.

Members discussed at great length the vacancies on the Town Council [1x South Ward, 1x West Ward and 3 x Walton Ward]. Members noted the wish of the Council when the boundaries were changed to reduce the councillor numbers, and to run with a leaner more active Councillor base.

In response to a question the Town Clerk explained the legal position of the Council in respect of the vacancies. Under the Representation of the Peoples Act section 21 b The council may choose to go direct for co-option, request the district council to go back out for election, before 24th June or to run with the vacancies until such time as the council chooses to declare the casual vacancy and follow the legal procedures.

Following the discussion, it was proposed, seconded and **RATIFIED by 14 votes to 0** That Clevedon Town Council will continue with the 5 vacancies, and will review the options at the 25th September meeting.

19/1065 CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

There were no Chairman's items for Information

19/1066 MEMBERS FEE

The Deputy Chairman collected the Members fee of £1 per Councillor.

Meeting closed at 9.09pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN.....DATE.....