

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WALTHAM ABBEY TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26th JULY 2023 FOLLOWING ON FROM COUNCIL ACCOUNTS

*Cllr S Yerrell – Chairman
*Cllr M Markham – Deputy Chairman
*Cllr H Kane
*Cllr A Crowley
*Cllr S J Heather
*Cllr J Lucas
*Cllr J Parsons
Cllr E.A. Webster
*Cllr B Tomlinson
*Cllr J Lea
*Cllr A Watts

* Denotes Members present.

In attendance: The Town Clerk and RFO, 1 officer and 2 members of the public.

A moment of memoriam was given, and condolences expressed to the family of Clive Simpson who recently passed away, it is a significant loss to the town and the preservation of its history.

- 165/23 **Recording of Meetings:** The notice was duly read to the meeting.
- 166/23 **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr E Webster.
- 167/23 **Disclosures of Interest:** There were no disclosures of interest.
- 168/23 **Minutes:** RESOLVED – THAT The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 26th April 2023 and Special Council Meeting held on 15th May 2023, copies of which had been previously circulated to all Members, be taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.
- 169/23 **Questions:** There were no member questions.
- 170/23 **Public Questions:** There were no questions submitted by the public.
- 171/23 **Minutes and Reports:** It was moved by the Chairman en mass and

RESOLVED – that the Minutes, Resolutions, Recommendations and Observations therein below, be approved and adopted.

Town Promotions/ Festivals	10 th May 2023
Planning and Licensing Subcommittee	10 th May 2023
Planning and Licensing Subcommittee	22 nd May 2023
Town Promotions/ Festivals	24 th May 2023
Policy and Resources	24 th May 2023
Planning and Licensing Subcommittee	05 th June 2023
Town Promotions/ Festivals	07 th June 2023
Planning and Licensing Subcommittee	03 rd July 2023
Town Promotions/ Festivals	05 th July 2023
Policy and Resources	05 th July 2023

- 172/23 **Motions:** There were no motions.
- 173/23 **Mayor’s Announcements, Correspondence and Engagements:**

The Mayor spoke of his numerous engagements since May and that he looks forward to many more engagements that are upcoming.
- 174/23 **Report of the Town Clerk:** The report was duly noted, The Town Clerk shared an email from the member of the public, expressing gratitude to the mayor for his hard work for the people of Waltham Abbey.
- 175/23 **Vacation Powers for Summer Recess:** It was moved by the chairman and seconded by Cllr H Kane, passed unanimously.

RESOLVED – THAT the Town Council will enter vacation powers from 31st July – 31st August 2023, resuming on Friday 1st September 2023.
- 176/23 **Town Mead Banqueting Suite:** It was moved by Cllr A Watts and seconded by Cllr H Kane, passed unanimously.

RESOLVED – THAT the decision to allow the upgrade of power is ratified.
- 177/23 **Town Hall Flooring:** It was moved by Cllr A Watts and seconded by Cllr J Lucas, passed unanimously.

RESOLVED – THAT the decision to pay for the emergency works is ratified.
- 178/23 **Health & Safety:** It was moved by Cllr A Watts and seconded by Cllr J Lucas, passed unanimously.

RESOLVED – THAT the decision to proceed with emergency works at Macs Bar is ratified.
- 179/23 **Items to be added to the next agenda for discussion:** There are no items for discussion at the next meeting.
- 180/23 **Exclusion of Press and Public:** It was moved by the chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT due to the confidential nature of the following items to be discussed, the press and public will be temporarily excluded from the meeting.
- 181/23 **Establishment Review:** It was moved by Cllr A Watts and seconded by Cllr J Lea, passed unanimously.

RESOLVED – THAT the decisions made by the Establishment Review Subcommittee on July 19th, 2023, are ratified.

It is noted on the agenda that a special recognition award was presented to Officer Sarah Colley for her outstanding work for the council over her 15 year career.

Cllr S Yerrell
Chairman of the Meeting

