

**Middlewich Town Council  
Victoria Building  
Lewin Street  
Middlewich  
CW10 9AT**

**Minutes of the Four Hundred and Sixty Fourth Meeting of Middlewich Town Council, held in the Town Hall Function Suite at the above address on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015, commencing at 6.30pm**

## **Part One**

### **Present**

The Town Mayor, Councillor JK Kingston and Councillors J Eaton, PJ Farrell, MA Hunter, D Latham, SN McGrory, SL Moss, B Walmsley, W Walmsley and DA Williams

Council Officers:

JPA Williams, Town Clerk, DJ French, Assistant Town Clerk and N Antoney, Administrative Assistant

### **1. To receive and approve apologies for absence**

An apology for Absence was received and approved from Councillor CL Bulman.

## **Feedback and Reports**

### **2. To receive any announcements to be made by the Mayor**

The Mayor thanked everyone who had attended his Mayor Making ceremony the previous evening. He briefly outlined the procedures to ensure the smooth running of the meeting.

### **Resolved 7604**

That the Mayor's announcements be received.

**3. To note any declarations of Members' Interests on any agenda item**

In relation to the Open Forum at which a question had been raised regarding the Eastern Bypass - Councillors MA Hunter and DA Williams declared personal interests on the grounds that they had been involved with the organisation of the petition; Councillors PJ Farrell and D Latham declared personal interests on the grounds that they had signed the petition. Councillor SN McGrory declared a personal interest in the report from Middlewich Vision on the grounds that his son had undertaken work experience at the Town Council and this had included work with the Vision Manager; and Councillor B Walmsley declared an interest in any items relating to her role as a Cheshire East Councillor.

**4. Rota for the next Town Council Surgery, to be held on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

**Resolved 7605**

That the Town Mayor Councillor JK Kingston and Deputy Mayor Councillor PJ Farrell host the Surgery on 30<sup>th</sup> May at the Town Council stall at the Makers Market.

**5. To consider any written questions submitted to the Open Forum**

R Pendleton asked the following question:

“I respectfully ask that Middlewich Town Council confirms its support for the 2069 residents who signed the petition to build the bypass first and ask will the council make a commitment to lobby Cheshire East ensuring building commences before the end of 2016?”

**Resolved 7606**

That the Town Council calls upon Cheshire East Council to bring forward a schedule of works for the completion of the Middlewich Eastern by-pass with a start date by the end of 2016.

**6. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the Meeting of Middlewich Town Council held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015**

**Resolved 7607**

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015 be received and adopted.

**7. To consider any written Members' questions on the Minutes**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received a question from Councillor DA Williams regarding Member involvement in the design and content of the new website for the Town Council. The Town Clerk explained that, following a competitive process, the contract to design a new website had been awarded to Bare Bones Marketing. E Dalzell of Bare Bones Marketing had presented design and content proposals to Members along with training and support provision and costings for a fully live site. Bare Bones Marketing were currently in the process of designing and building the website; once the proposals were at an advanced stage, Members would have an opportunity to consider the website through the appropriate Council or Committee meeting.

**8. To receive the report of the Town Clerk and any correspondence for information**

**Resolved 7608**

That the verbal update be noted.

**9. To receive written reports from Members of Cheshire East Council**

**Resolved 7609**

That

(a) it be noted that reports from Members of Cheshire East Council primarily contained information on meetings that Members had attended and therefore, due to the recent election, there was nothing to report at the current time; and

(b) the Leader of Cheshire East Council, Councillor M Jones, be invited to meet with Middlewich Town Councillors regarding matters of interest to Middlewich following which an item be placed on the subsequent Town Council agenda to consider the next steps, including inviting Councillor Jones to a meeting with Middlewich residents.

**10. To receive a written report from Middlewich Vision**

**Resolved 7610**

That the written report from Middlewich Vision be received with thanks.

**11. To consider any Members' Items previously submitted in writing**

None

## **Finance**

**12. To receive and approve the Monthly Town Council Financial and Monitoring, Cashbook and Income & Expenditure reports for the month of April 2015**

**Resolved 7611**

That the Financial reports be received and approved.

## **Policy Consideration**

**13. To receive any update from the PCSO**

**Resolved 7612**

That the Town Clerk liaise with Sergeant K Snowdon to agree a programme of priorities for the PCSO over the forthcoming year.

**14. Post Elections Briefing Note and 2015 Training Programme from the Cheshire Association of Local Councils**

**Resolved 7612**

That

(a) the documents from the Cheshire Association of Local Councils be received and noted: and

(b) the explanation from the Town Clerk regarding the signing of the Declaration of Acceptance of Office be received and noted.

## **Highways and Transportation**

None

## **Planning and the Environment**

None

## **Part Two**

None

The next ordinary Meeting of the Town Council will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June.

The meeting concluded at 7.15 pm.

Councillor JK Kingston  
Town Mayor

Signed.....2015

