

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

Minutes of the Five Hundred and Sixth Meeting of Middlewich Town Council, held in the Wych Centre, Civic Way, Middlewich on Monday 18th March 2019, commencing at 6.30pm

Part One

Present

The Town Mayor, Councillor W Walmsley, Councillors CL Bulman, J Eaton, PJ Farrell, MA Hunter, JK Kingston, DJ Latham, SN McGrory, JD Parry, R Pendleton and B Walmsley

Council Officers:

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

1. To receive and approve apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillor S Moss.

Feedback and Reports

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

The Town Mayor Cllr W Walmsley read out a statement apologising for closing the previous Meeting early and explaining the reason behind this. He asserted that the Full Council Meeting was the Town Clerk's Meeting and it was also the Clerks responsibility to produce the agenda. The Mayor advised that as Chair of the Meeting, his decision on all matters was final. He also stated that although the Town Council Meeting was in public it was not a public meeting.

The Mayor, then reported that along with the Mayoress, he had attended a number of events including Macclesfield, Congleton, Holywell and Frodsham and also attended a charity event at the Kinderton Hotel. The Mayor also attended the Middlewich Oscars, Middlewich High School at World Book Day and Assembly.

Resolved 8151

That the Mayor's report be noted.

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

No interests were declared.

4. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the Five Hundred and Fourth Meeting of Middlewich Town Council held on Monday 21st January 2019 and the Five Hundred and Fifth Meeting held on Monday 18th February 2019

Resolved 8152

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st January 2019 be approved as a correct record.

(Note: In accordance with Standing Order 3 (o) a request was made by Councillor JD Parry for a Named Vote on this resolution and the voting was as follows:

For the Resolution: Councillors Bulman, Eaton, Farrell, Kingston, McGrory, Parry, Pendleton, B Walmsley and W Walmsley
Against the resolution: None
Abstention: Councillors Latham and Hunter

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th February 2019 be approved as a correct record.

(Note: In accordance with Standing Order 3 (o) a request by Councillor JD Parry was made for a Named Vote on this resolution and the voting was as follows:

For the Resolution: Councillors Bulman, Eaton, Farrell, Kingston, McGrory, B Walmsley and W Walmsley
Against the resolution: Councillor Parry
Abstention: Councillors Latham, Hunter, and Pendleton

5. To receive the Minutes of Meetings of the Personnel Committee held on 16th January 2019 and 4th March 2019

Resolved 8153

That the minutes of the Meeting held on 16th January 2019 and 4th March 2019 be received.

(Note: In accordance with Standing Order 3 (o) a request by Councillor JD Parry was made for a Named Vote on this resolution and the voting was as follows:

For the Resolution: Councillors Eaton, Hunter, Kingston, McGrory, Pendleton, B Walmsley and W Walmsley
Against the resolution: Councillor Parry
Abstention: Councillors Bulman, Farrell and Latham.

6. To receive the Minutes of a Meeting of the Finance, Policy and Governance Committee held on 28th January 2019

Resolved 8154

That the minutes of the Meeting held on 28th January 2019 be received.

(Note: In accordance with Standing Order 3 (o) a request by Councillor JD Parry was made for a Named Vote on this resolution and the voting was as follows:

For the Resolution: Councillors Eaton, Hunter, Kingston, Latham, McGrory, B Walmsley and W Walmsley

Against the resolution: Councillor Parry

Abstention: Councillors Bulman, Farrell and Pendleton.

7. To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of Middlewich Town Council's Events and Communications Committee held on 9th January 2019

Resolved 8155

That the minutes of the Meeting held on 9th January 2019 be received.

8. To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of Middlewich Town Council's Planning Committee held on 8th January 2019

Resolved 8156

That the minutes of the meeting held on 26th February 2019 be received.

9. To receive the Minutes of the Meeting of Middlewich Town Council's Community, Environment and Assets Committee held on 12th March 2019

Resolved 8157

That the minutes of the Meeting held on 12th March 2019 be received.

(Note: In accordance with Standing Order 3 (o) a request by Councillor JD Parry was made for a Named Vote on this resolution and the voting was as follows:

For the Resolution: Councillors Eaton, Farrell, Hunter, Kingston, Latham, McGrory, B Walmsley and W Walmsley

Against the resolution: None

Abstention: Councillors Bulman, Parry and Pendleton.

10. To receive written reports from Members of Cheshire East Council

Resolved 8158

That the report from Cheshire East Councillor B Walmsley be received and noted.

(Note: In accordance with Standing Order 3 (o) a request by Councillor JD Parry was made for a Named Vote on this resolution and the voting was as follows:

For the Resolution: Councillors Eaton, Farrell, Kingston, Latham, McGrory, B Walmsley and W Walmsley

Against the resolution: Councillors Hunter, Parry and Pendleton.

Abstention: Councillors Bulman.

Finance

11. To receive and approve the Monthly Town Council Financial and Monitoring reports, Cashbook and Income & Expenditure reports for the month of January and February 2019

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Resolved 8159

That the Financial reports for January and February 2019 be received and approved.

Planning and the Environment

12. Minutes of Waste Hub Liaison Group – to receive the Minutes of the Waste Hub Liaison Group held on 31st January 2019

Resolved 8160

That the Minutes of the Waste Hub Liaison Group Meeting held on 31st January 2019 be received and posted on the Town Council Website. Next meeting Thursday 28th March 2019.

Policy Considerations

13. PCSO Update

Resolved 8161

The update from the PCSO be received. The Town Council requested that consideration be given to the Beat Meetings to be more regimented and less ad hoc and that the Town Councils social media be used to advertise these meetings and so that full exposure of the meetings could be had.

14. Mid Cheshire Radio - to consider whether the Town Council wishes to send a letter of support for the proposed new initiative for a radio station for Mid Cheshire

Resolved 8162

That a letter of support be sent to DD in support of the application for Cheshire FM to Ofcom.

Highways and Transportation

15. Middlewich Eastern Bypass – to receive the notes of the meeting with Richard Hibbert, Lead Engineer for the project

Resolved 8163

That the notes of the Meeting on the Middlewich Eastern Bypass be received and noted.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- Tuesday 26th March – Planning Committee at 5.30pm
- Tuesday 2nd April – Community, Environment and Assets Committee at 6.00pm
- Wednesday 3rd April – Events, Communication and Assets at 6.00pm
- Wednesday 10th April – personnel Committee at 6.00pm
- Monday 15th April - ordinary meeting of the Town Council at 6.30pm

The meeting concluded at 7.00pm.

Councillor W Walmsley

Town Mayor

Signed.....2019