

MINUTES OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Council for the Borough of Slough held at The Curve on Thursday, 27th September, 2018 at 7.00 pm.

Present:- The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Sohal), in the chair; Councillors Ali, Anderson, B Bains, R Bains, Bedi, Brooker, Carter, Chaudhry, Cheema, Dar, Davis, Amarpreet Dhaliwal, Arvind Dhaliwal, M Holledge, N Holledge, Hussain, Kelly, Mann, Matloob (from 7.11pm), Minhas, Munawar (from 7.34pm), Nazir, Pantelic, D Parmar, S Parmar, Plenty, Qaseem, Rana, Rasib, Sabah, Sadiq, A Sandhu, R Sandhu, Shah, Sharif, Smith, Strutton, Swindlehurst, Usmani and Wright.

Apologies for Absence:- Councillors Sarfraz.

28. Declarations of Interest

Agenda Item 3: Community Governance Review:

Councillors Anderson and Carter declared that they were Members of Britwell Parish Council.

Councillor Smith declared that he was a Member of Colnbrook with Poyle Parish Council.

Councillor Sohal declared that he was a Member of Wexham Court Parish Council.

29. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Council held on 24th July 2018

Resolved – That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 24th July 2018 be approved as a correct record.

30. To receive the Mayor's Communications.

Members were reminded that the Annual Civic Service would be held at St Mary's Church, Church Street, Slough on Sunday, 7th October commencing at 11.00am. Harvest contributions would be distributed to SHOC and Slough Foodbank.

Details of Remembrance Sunday events taking place on 11th November were outlined, with the traditional morning parades and services taking place in the Town Centre, Cippenham and Langley along with a special evening event in Salt Hill Park to mark the centenary of the end of World War One. Further details would be sent in due course.

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The Mayor informed the meeting that the Slough Half Marathon and 5K Fun Run were scheduled to take place on Sunday 14 October 2018. The half marathon was set to showcase the town and all it had to offer and was set to be a community event.

Following the Mayor's completion of a charity walk on 12th August 2018, it was noted that Khalsa Aid were presented with a cheque for £580.

Eighty years ago this month, Slough received its Charter of Corporation as a Borough which was granted by His Majesty King George the Sixth on 14th September 1938. In acknowledging the 80th anniversary Councillor Hussain was invited to deliver a short presentation about Slough at 80 to the meeting.

31. Questions from Electors under Procedure Rule 9.

The Mayor advised three elector questions had been received, copies of which had been tabled. All three electors were present at the meeting. A written copy of the replies to the questions would be forwarded to the questioners.

32. Recommendation of the Cabinet from its meeting held on 17th September 2018

It was moved by Councillor Anderson,
Seconded by Councillor Mann,

“That the Low Emission Strategy be approved.”

The recommendation was put to the vote and carried unanimously.

Resolved – That the Low Emission Strategy be approved.

33. Recommendation of the Licensing Committee from its meeting held 10th September 2018

It was moved by Councillor Davis,
Seconded by Councillor Mann,

“ (a) That the provisions of Sections 50 to 61 of Part III of the Food Act 1984 and Section 37 of part XII of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 be adopted.

(b) That the draft Market Licensing Standard Terms and Conditions be approved.

(c) That the draft Markets Policy be approved.”

The recommendations were put to the vote and agreed unanimously.

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Resolved –

- (a) That the provisions of Sections 50 to 61 of Part III of the Food Act 1984 and Section 37 of part XII of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 be adopted.
- (b) That the draft Market Licensing Standard Terms and Conditions be approved.
- (c) That the draft Markets Policy be approved.

34. Community Governance Review

It was moved by Councillor Hussain,
Seconded by Councillor Swindlehurst,

- (a) “That in the light of the response to the first stage of the consultation a further consultation be undertaken, in accordance with the guidance on Community Governance Reviews, with the electors and other interested parties to gauge views on the future of Britwell, Colnbrook with Poyle and Wexham Court Parishes and their Councils as set out in the report.
- (b) That electors and other interested parties be consulted on proposed changes to the area and name of Wexham Court Parish Council and its electoral arrangements as set out in paragraph 7.23 and map attached at Appendix 2.
- (c) That a case for a new parish council in Slough has not been made.
- (d) That the 2nd stage of the consultation process comprise the measures set out in section 4 (a) - Financial Implications, of the report, with the formal advisory poll taking the form of all postal poll; and that the costs be met from within existing budgets.
- (e) That the Returning Officer be authorised to determine all matters in relation to undertaking the consultation following consultation with the Chair of the Review Group and other members of the Review Group if time permits including amending the timetable for the review if required.”

The recommendations were put to the vote and agreed unanimously.

Resolved –

- (a) That in the light of the response to the first stage of the consultation a further consultation be undertaken, in accordance with the guidance on Community Governance Reviews, with the electors and other interested parties to gauge views on the future of Britwell, Colnbrook with Poyle and Wexham Court Parishes and their Councils as set out in the report.
- (b) That electors and other interested parties be consulted on proposed changes to the area and name of Wexham Court Parish Council and its

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electoral arrangements as set out in paragraph 7.23 and map attached at Appendix 2.

- (c) That a case for a new parish council in Slough has not been made.
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35. To consider Motions submitted under procedure Rule 14.

A) People's Vote

It was moved by Councillor Swindlehurst,
Seconded by Councillor Mann,

“While respecting the decision of the electorate to leave the EU, this Council is concerned that the Government has subsequently failed to properly advance the interests of the UK in its discussions about Britain’s departure. This Council calls upon the Government to offer the British people a vote on the terms of the final arrangements it arrives at for exiting the EU, and resolves that the Leader of the Council write to the Prime Minister and the Minister for Exiting the European Union asking that the Government authorise a People’s Vote that will ensure Slough residents have the opportunity to;

- Take back control of how we exit the EU
- Vote against a deal that will harm them economically
- Vote against a deal that will make Slough poorer and encourage international business to leave the town
- Vote against a deal that harms Slough resident’s future job prospects
- Vote against arrangements that harms Slough’s economy, prosperity, regeneration and the availability of a skilled workforce.”

A prior request having been made for the record of the voting:

There voted for the motion:

Councillors Ali, Anderson, B Bains, Bedi, Brooker, Carter, Chaudhry, Cheema, Dar, Davis, Arvind Dhaliwal, M Holledge, N Holledge, Hussain, Mann, Matloob, Minhas, Munawar, Nazir, Pantelic, D Parmar, S Parmar, Qaseem, Rana, Rasib, Sabah, Sadiq, A Sandhu, Shah, Sharif, Swindlehurst, and Usmani..... 32

There voted against the motion:

Councillors R.Bains, Amarpreet Dhaliwal, Kelly, R,Sandhu, Smith, Strutton and Wright..... 7

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There abstained from voting:

The Worshipful The Mayor, Councillor Sohal 1

(Councillor Plenty was absent during the vote)

The motion was therefore carried.

Resolved –

While respecting the decision of the electorate to leave the EU, this Council is concerned that the Government has subsequently failed to properly advance the interests of the UK in its discussions about Britain's departure. This Council calls upon the Government to offer the British people a vote on the terms of the final arrangements it arrives at for exiting the EU, and resolves that the Leader of the Council write to the Prime Minister and the Minister for Exiting the European Union asking that the Government authorise a People's Vote that will ensure Slough residents have the opportunity to;

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B) Local Planning Policies

It was moved by Councillor Strutton,
Seconded by Councillor Wright,

"This Council resolves to urgently update Slough Borough Council's local planning policies to reflect local needs and deliver quality family homes within the Borough."

It was moved by Councillor Nazir, as an amendment,
Seconded by Councillor Carter,

"This Council resolves to ~~urgently update~~ **continue updating** Slough Borough Council's local planning policies to reflect local needs **and deliver a full mix of housing**, including quality family homes, within the Borough."

The amendment to the motion was put to the vote and carried unanimously.

The amended motion was put to the vote and carried unanimously.

Resolved - This Council resolves to continue updating Slough Borough Council's local planning policies to reflect local needs and deliver a full mix of housing, including quality family homes, within the Borough.

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36. To note Questions from Members under Procedure Rule 10 (as tabled).

Five Member questions had been received, copies of which and replies had been tabled at the meeting.

37. Part II Minutes - 24th July 2018

Resolved – That the Part II minutes of the Council meeting held on 24th July 2018 be approved as a correct record.

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 7.00 pm and closed at 8.59 pm)