



MINUTES OF THE BIGGLESWADE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2024
AT 7.00PM AT BIGGLESWADE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES
THE OLD COURT HOUSE, 4 SAFFRON ROAD, BIGGLESWADE, SG18 8DL

PRESENT:

Cllr M Foster (Mayor)
 Cllr G Barrett (Deputy Mayor)
 Cllr D Albone
 Cllr J Jones
 Cllr M Knight
 Cllr M Russell
 Cllr A Skilton
 Cllr D Strachan
 Cllr C Thomas

Mr P Tarrant – Town Clerk & Chief Executive
 Mr K Hosseini – Head of Governance & Strategic Partnerships
 Mr E Bour – Head of Finance & Deputy RFO
 Mr Harry Henderson – Public Realm Manager
 Mx K Chambers – Committee Clerk

Members of the Public – None.

Meeting Formalities:

Following a reminder to meeting attendees that this is a formal meeting, the Mayor advised that members of the public will be given an opportunity to speak during public open session but not at other times. The meeting is being filmed and by being present attendees are deemed to have agreed to be filmed and to the use of those images and sound recordings. The Mayor advised that attendees should not disclose any personal information of individuals as this would infringe the Data Protection Rights of that individual.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr I Agnew, Cllr M North, Cllr S Patel, Cllr S Sajid, Cllr J Woodhead.

b. NO APOLOGIES

Cllr P Guilcher.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a. Disclosable Pecuniary interests in any agenda item:

None.

b. Non-Pecuniary interests in any agenda item:

None.

3. **TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

4. **PUBLIC OPEN SESSION**

No member of the public wished to speak.

5. **INVITED SPEAKER**

6. **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**

- a. Cllr Jones asked if there were any updates for the cricket ground gates. The Head of Governance & Strategic Partnerships responded that Officers are in contact with the Council's insurers and third-party insurers to establish work needed and Officers are currently obtaining quotes for a replacement gate.

7. **MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF MEETINGS**

8. **MATTERS ARISING**

9. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

a. **School Organisational Plan 2025-2030 Consultation**

Members **RESOLVED** that Councillors respond to the consultation individually to best represent a wide range of perspectives.

10. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

11. **PLANNING APPLICATION OUTCOMES**

12. **ACCOUNTS**

13. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

14. **PUBLIC OPEN SESSION**

No member of the public wished to speak.

15. **EXEMPT**

a. **Capital Programme**

Members **RESOLVED** to note the report and suggest recommendations.

The Mayor closed the meeting at **9:40pm**.