WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 3 January 2001 at the Town Hall, Royal Learnington Spa at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor Short (Chairman); Councillors Mrs Begg, Boad, Mrs Boad, Butler, Byrd, Caborn, Mrs Clayton, Cleaver, Cockburn, Coker, Mrs Compton, Copping, Crowther, Darmody, Davis, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Evans, Evans, Ms Flanagan, Gifford, Gill, Golby, Mrs Goode, Hammon, Harris, Mrs Hodgetts, Kirton, Kohler, Mrs Leddy, MacKay, Mrs Pavier, Shilton, Talbot, Tamlin, Thomas, Wooller.

349a. COUNCILLOR ROBERT ATTWOOD

The Chairman extended a warm welcome to Councilor Attwood who was attending his first meeting since becoming unwell in May 2000. In response, Councillor Attwood thanked everyone who had expressed best wishes to him during his absence.

350. PRAYER

A prayer was offered by the Chairman's Chaplin.

351. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologise for absence were received from Councillors Doody, Guest, Kent and Jackson.

352. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 1 November 2000 were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

353. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(A) The Chairman reported that the first Warwick District Council Rural Design Awards Scheme presentations had taken place in early December. The assessors had been very impressed by the standards of the quality, design and enhancement of rural areas and he felt sure that the scheme would encourage a more sympathetic use of rural areas. On behalf of the Council, the Chairman expressed his thanks to John Archer, Head of Planning and his staff and in particular Alan Mayes, Principal Architect Planner, who had been heavily involved in the scheme.

- (B) The Chairman reported that during December the extension to the Oakley Wood Crematorium had been completed. The scheme was a credit to all involved and a much improved facility was now available.
- (C) The Chairman thanked all Councillors and staff who had supported his Christmas Concert which was held on 22 December 2000. The event had been attended by the three local athletes who had won a gold medal in the recent Paralympic games held in Sydney. As a mark of appreciation, he had presented to each of them a set of cut glasses and a framed certificate. The Chairman also referred to the use made by the athletes of the Council's sports facilities in Kenilworth and Warwick which were a credit to the staff of the Leisure and Amenities Unit.
- (D) The Chairman reported that the official opening of the Council offices at Riverside House would take place on Thursday 18 January 2001 at 4.30pm. Everyone would be very welcome to attend.

354. THE EXECUTIVE

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Begg, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the matters which had been referred to the Council as recommendations for approval, as set out in pages 248 - 252, together with minute 229 of the Executive Meeting held on 13 November 2000, be approved and adopted.

355. LICENSING COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Shilton, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Licensing Committee dated 31 October 2000, be approved and adopted.

(A) Public Entertainment Licence - Application for Consent to Provide Public Entertainment on Good Friday (260)

First It was moved by Councillor Gifford and duly seconded that Amendment: resolution (2) of minute 260 be referred back to the Licencing Committee for further consideration.

On a vote being taken, the amendment was declared carried.

(B) Adoption of report.

The original motion as, as amended by the first amendment, was then put to the meeting and declared carried subject to the inclusion of Councillor Butler as being present at the meeting.

356. **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Boad, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Standards Committee dated 14 November 2000, be approved and adopted.

357. ECONOMIC SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Cockburn, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report on the Economic Scrutiny Committee dated 20 November 2000, be approved and adopted subject to the deletion of Councillor Mrs Clayton as being present at the meeting and to Councillor Thomas attending as a substitute.

358. **ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Councillor Wooller, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Environment Scrutiny Committee dated 21 November 2000, be approved and adopted.

359. **SOCIAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

It was moved by Councillor Kohler, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Social Scrutiny Committee

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360. PLANNING COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Compton, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Planning Committee dated 7 November 2000, be approved and adopted.

361. PLANNING COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Kirton, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Planning Committee dated 28 November 2000, be approved and adopted subject to the following:-

- (A) Councillor Cockburn attended the meeting in respect of minute 325 (Rear of 22 Birches Lane, Kenilworth);
- (B) Councillor Gifford attended the meeting for consideration of planning application W20001086 but not attending in respect of planning application number W20001163/4LB.

362. NOTICES OF MOTION

(A) It was moved by Councillor G Darmody and duly seconded:

"This Council notes progress on the re-development of the Jephson Gardens including the refurbishment of Mill Bridge and believes it will enhance the district.

Despite the installation of improved street lighting by Warwickshire County Council in recent years, fears remain about personal safety in Mill Passage. In order to improve security for pedestrians using this route (including those patronising the proposed new restaurant) this Council agrees to investigate the provision of CCTV in Mill Passage."

RESOLVED that the Motion stand referred to the Executive.

363. AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS

In accordance with Standing Order 29, the Council considered the following Standing Order, as recommended to the Council Meeting on 16 October 2000:-

"17(b) will not appoint the Chair of the Council or the Vice-Chair of the Council to the Executive, the Leader of the Executive to the Standards Committee, a member of the Executive to a Scrutiny Committee, a member of the Economic Scrutiny Committee to the Planning Committee, or a member of the Environment Scrutiny Committee to the Licensing Committee."

RESOLVED that the Standing Order 17(b) be approved and adopted.

364. SECTION 92, LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In addition to Members who already disclosed their interest in the appropriate Committee and Sub-Committee Minutes the following declared their interest in respect of the Minutes set out in columns (1) and (2) below and, when the Minutes were discussed by the Council, took no part in the discussion and did not vote.

(Those shown with * indicate Members who left the meeting whilst the matter was under discussion.)

<u>Minute</u>	<u>Subject</u>	Person declaring interest
307	Minutes of the Executive	Councillor Copping (Non-pecuniary, substantial)

365. COMMON SEAL

It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Common Seal of Warwick District Council be affixed to such deeds and documents as may be required for implementing decisions of the Council arrived at this day.

(The meeting ended at 7.30 p.m)

CHAIRMAN

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