

WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 13 October 2004 at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor Davis (Chair); Councillors Ashford, Mrs Begg, Mrs Blacklock, Boad, Mrs Bunker, Butler, Caborn, Chander, Coker, Mrs Compton, Copping, Crowther, Davies, Ms De-Lara-Bond, Doody, Mrs Edwards, Evans, Mrs Falp, Ms Flanagan, Gifford, Gill, Mrs Goode, Guest, Hammon, Harris, Hatfield, Ms Hirsch, Mrs Hodgetts, Holland, Kinson, Kirton, Mrs Knight, Kundi, MacKay, Mrs McFarland, Pratt, Sandhar, Mrs Sawdon, Shilton, Short, Smith, Tamlin and Windybank

395. PRAYER

A prayer was offered by the Chair's Chaplain.

396. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Cockburn.

397. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 25 August 2004, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chair.

398. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (A) The Chair welcomed to the meeting Mr Craig Anderson who was attending his first meeting of the Council since being appointed Strategic Director for the Environment.
- (B) The Chair reminded members about the concert in aid of his charities which would be held on Saturday 16 October 2004, at the Town Hall, Royal Leamington Spa. A very limited number of tickets were still available and he encouraged as many members as possible to attend.
- (C) On behalf of the Council, the Chair congratulated staff within the Leisure and Amenities service and Glendale Limited for their excellent work in ensuring that the success of the Women's World Bowls Championships, which had been held at Victoria Park, Royal Leamington Spa in September.
- (D) The Chair made the following presentations in respect of the National "Britain in Bloom" competition:-

Reverend John Carrier, Chairman of Leamington in Bloom: The Quality Silver Certificate within the National Large Town/Small City category awarded to Royal Leamington Spa.

Mr Nigel Bishop, Mr John Holmes and Mr Robin Stott of the Leisure and Amenities service:

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The Britain in Bloom Public Park award in respect of Jephson Gardens, which had received the award of Best Park in Great Britain.

Councillor Ms Cheryl Flanagan, Portfolio Holder for Cultural Services:

The Thomas Webb Crystal Trophy for Royal Leamington Spa. The town had been awarded the trophy for the outstanding Large Town in the Heart of England six times and, due to a change in the format of awards, the trophy would now be retained on a permanent basis.

The Chairman congratulated all those involved locally in the competitions for their successes this year in the national competition.

399. EXECUTIVE

It was moved by Councillor Crowther and duly seconded that the reports of the Executive dated 19 August and 15 September 2004, be approved and adopted.

(A) Members Allowances 2005/2006 (345).

First amendment: It was moved by Councillor Coker and duly seconded that the following additional recommendation be added to those set out in Minute 345:-

“(4) The increase in the responsibility allowances for the Leader of the Council, Portfolio Holders, and Members of the Executive should only take effect if the increase in the Council Tax, if any, for the year 2005/06, does not exceed 5%.”

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

(B) Warwick Town Centre Traffic Management Scheme – Preferred Option Consultation (350).

It was agreed that Minute 350 should be taken in conjunction with consideration of the following Notice of Motion set out in Item 8 (A) of the agenda for the meeting:-

“This Council supports the following resolution which was passed at a public meeting held in Warwick on 6 September 2004 regarding the Warwick Traffic Management Scheme. This resolution was approved by all those present:

‘The Town Council, the District Council and the County Council are required by the meeting to cause forthwith the withdrawal of the Warwick Town Centre Traffic Management Scheme as presently envisaged and to consider without delay for presentation to the body of the people a scheme where all roads take a fair share of the traffic so that in the finally agreed scheme no road shall receive an advantage to the disadvantage of another.’”

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(In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 14, the Notice of Motion was also moved in the names of Councillors Caborn, Cockburn, Coker, Mrs Compton, Doody, Mrs Edwards, Guest, Hammon and Mrs Sawdon).

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 5(6), it was moved and seconded that the motion proposed by Councillor Kinson be considered at the meeting.

On this being put to the meeting, it was declared carried.

First amendment: It was moved by Councillor Kirton that the motion from Councillor Kinson be deleted and replaced by the following:-

“That this Council asks for a Working Party of residents, Town, District and County Councillors to expedite the resolution of the Warwick Town Centre Scheme.”

Following the debate on the amendment to the motion, Councillor Kinson, with the support of the seconder of the motion, agreed to withdraw his motion in favour of the amendment from Councillor Kirton.

The motion, as amended by Councillor Kirton, was then put to the meeting and, on a vote being taken, was declared carried.

(C) Adoption of Report

The original motion, together with the amendment to the motion set out in item 8(A) of the agenda of the meeting, was then put to the meeting and declared carried.

400. REGULATORY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Goode, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the reports of the Regulatory Committee dated 18 August, 20 September and 28 September 2004, be approved and adopted.

401. ECONOMIC OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Guest, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee dated 7 September 2004, be approved and adopted.

402. SOCIAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Falp, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Social Overview and Scrutiny Committee dated 7 September 2004, be approved and adopted.

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403. AUDIT AND RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Caborn, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Audit and Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee dated 8 September 2004, be approved and adopted.

404. ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Mrs Compton, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee dated 8 September 2004, be approved and adopted.

405. EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Crowther, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Employment Committee dated 21 September 2004, be approved and adopted.

406. STANDARDS COMMITTEE

it was moved by Councillor Guest, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that the report of the Standards Committee dated 29 September 2004, be approved and adopted.

407. PLANNING COMMITTEE

It was moved by Councillor Evans, and duly seconded that the reports of the Planning Committee dated 16 August and 11 and 13 September 2004, be approved and adopted.

(1) Planning Committee – 11 September 2004.

The Council expressed its thanks to members of the Planning Committee for the exemplary manor in which they had conducted the meeting of the Committee held on 11 September 2004, which had considered the planning application for a passenger terminal and associated facilities at Coventry Airport.

Sincere thanks were also expressed to the Planning officers involved with preparing and presenting the information regarding the application, and also to members of staff within Legal Services and Members' Services for their invaluable contribution to the meeting.

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(2) Adoption of Report

The original motion was then put to the meeting and declared carried.

408. SECTION 92, LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In addition to Members who already disclosed their interest in the appropriate 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>	<u>Person Declaring Interest</u>
339	Cultural quarter and Althorpe Street business Units.	Councillor Davis (Personal: being the Council's representative on the Old Town Community Partnership Board) (Regenesis)) Councillor Evans (Personal: being the Council's representative on the Old Town Community Partnership Board) (Regenesis))
340	Improved access to Council Services – towards an Integrated One Stop Shop in Warwick District.	Councillor Mrs Falp (Personal: being an employee of the Warwickshire County Library Service).
350 and Agenda Item 8(A)	Warwick Town Centre Traffic Management Scheme - Preferred Option Consultation	Councillor Boad (Personal: being the husband of the Chair of the Warwick Area Committee) Councillor Mrs Compton (Personal: being a member of Warwickshire County Council) Councillor Shilton (Personal: being a member of Warwickshire County Council) Councillor Davis (Personal: being a member of Warwickshire County Council)

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<u>Minute</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Person Declaring Interest</u>
		Councillor Holland (Personal: being the owner of a property in West Street, Warwick)
358	Regeneration in Leamington Old Town	Councillor Davis (Personal: being the Council's representative on the Old Town Community Partnership Board) (Regenesi)) Councillor Evans (Personal: being the Council's representative on the Old Town Community Partnership Board) (Regenesi))

409. **COMMON SEAL**

It was

RESOLVED 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 9.20 pm)

CHAIR