

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
WOODSTOCK TOWN COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.30 PM ON TUESDAY 11 MAY 2010
IN THE MAYOR'S PARLOUR, WOODSTOCK TOWN HALL**

PRESENT:

Cllr P Jay (Town Mayor)	Cllr G Myatt
Cllr C Carritt	Cllr E Poskitt
Cllr Mrs V Edwards	Cllr P Redpath
Cllr T Gardiner	Cllr Mrs T Redpath
Cllr A Glees	Cllr Mrs P Richardson
Cllr A Grant	Cllr Mrs E Stokes
Cllr E Jay	Cllr I Thomas
Cllr J Cooper	

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

County Councillor I Hudspeth, Hon Townsman John Banbury and three members of the public.

WTC/1/10 *ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR AND SIGNING OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE*

The outgoing Mayor, Peter Jay opened the Annual Meeting of the Council and thanked all Councillors for their support and in particular the outgoing Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Gardiner. The outgoing Mayor called for nominations for the post of Town Mayor and proposed Cllr Julian Cooper. This proposal was seconded by Cllr C Carritt. Cllr Mrs T Redpath proposed Cllr Mrs V Edwards and this motion was seconded by Cllr A Glees. The Cllrs voted for their preferred candidate by a show of hands the result of which was as follows:

Votes for Cllr J Cooper: Cllrs E Poskitt, J Cooper, C Carritt, G Myatt, P Jay, T Gardiner, Mrs P Richardson, Mrs E Stokes and Mrs E Jay (9)

Votes for Cllr Mrs V Edwards: Cllrs I Thomas, P Redpath, A Glees, Mrs V Edwards, Mrs A Grant and Mrs T Redpath (6)

RESOLVED (9 votes to 6)

That Cllr Julian Cooper be elected to serve as Mayor of Woodstock until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2011. Cllr J Cooper then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and duly took over the Chair for the meeting.

WTC/2/10 *ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR AND SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE*

Cllr J Cooper proposed Cllr Mrs V Edwards for the position of Deputy Mayor but she declined the nomination. Cllr C Carritt proposed Cllr T Gardiner for the position of Deputy Mayor but he declined the nomination. Cllr Mrs E Jay proposed Cllr C Carritt for the position of Deputy Mayor but he declined the nomination. Cllr P Redpath proposed Cllr Mrs A Grant for the position of Deputy Mayor and this was seconded by Cllr J Cooper.

RESOLVED

That Cllr Mrs A Grant be elected to serve as Deputy Mayor of Woodstock until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2011. The Clerk passed Cllr Mrs A Grant the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form for completion.

WTC/3/10 ***ELECTION OF THE COUNCIL MEMBER FOR PROPERTY***

Cllr A Glee proposed that Cllr Mrs V Edwards be re-appointed as the Council Member for Property but she declined the nomination. Cllr C Carritt proposed that Cllr E Poskitt be elected as the Council Member for Property and this was seconded by the Mayor.

RESOLVED

That Cllr E Poskitt be elected to serve as the Council Member for Property until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2011.

WTC/4/10 ***ELECTIONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE BODIES***

The Town Council received and considered a schedule recording the Members' preferences as to the Committees, Working Groups and Outside Bodies they wished to serve upon.

RESOLVED

That Members be appointed to serve on Committees, Working Groups and Outside Bodies as set out in the Schedule attached as the Appendix to these Minutes.

The Council then adjourned in order to allow meetings of the Committees to take place to elect their Chairmen. Following the completion of that business, the meeting of the Town Council re-convened.

WTC/5/10 ***DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST***

Cllr J Cooper declared a Personal Interest in Agenda Item 23, The Woodstock Market Town Partnership's Request for Funding because he is the ORCC reviewing member of the Market Town Partnership.

Cllr C Carritt declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 25 (Carnival Funding) as he is a Member of the Carnival Committee.

WTC/6/10 ***APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES***

To consider the following appointments:

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| (a) Solicitors: | Henmans LLP |
| (b) Property Agents: | Carter Jonas |
| (c) Bankers: | Barclays Bank plc |
| (d) Insurers: | Zurich Municipal |
| (e) Internal Auditor: | Roger Symes |

RESOLVED

That professional appointments (a) to (e) be continued, to operate until such time as the Council decides to review them.

With regard to the solicitors Henmans LLP (appointment (a)) several Cllrs expressed concerns about the levels of fees incurred in 2009/10. Discussion followed. Cllr C Carritt proposed that a review of WTC's legal services be carried out by 1st September 2010 to include recent past history and seek advice of principal authorities and the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils as to the availability of proforma legal service tenders. Cllr E Poskitt seconded this motion.

RESOLVED (14 votes for)

That a review of WTC's legal services be carried out by 1st September 2010 to include recent past history and seek advice of principal authorities and the Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils as to the availability of proforma legal service tenders.

WTC/7/10 *STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS*

It was proposed that the current Standing Orders and Financial Regulations be used at Council, Committee and Working Group Meetings. Cllr P Jay asked that the spelling of the word 'rescission' be corrected.

RESOLVED

That the current Standing Orders and Financial Regulations be used at Council, Committee and Working Group Meetings and that the spelling of the word 'rescission' be corrected when they are next updated.

WTC/8/10 *APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE*

None received.

WTC/9/10 *RE-ORDERING OF THE AGENDA*

The Mayor asked the Council to agree to bring Agenda Item 15 forward on the agenda as it might be of interest to the members of the public in attendance.

RESOLVED

That Agenda Items 15 (Planning Applications) be brought forward on the agenda.

WTC/10/10 *PLANNING APPLICATIONS*

(a) Ref: 10/0579/P/FP
Erection of rear conservatory.
27 Cockpit Close, Woodstock.

RESOLVED

That no comment be made about this planning application.

(b) Ref: 10/0386/P/FP
Conversion of two stone barns to residential units, and erection of 14 new dwellings. Alterations to existing access (together with provision for a rural exception site on adjacent land) (to allow various amendments to the previously approved application 07/1808/P/FP).
Hensington Farm Buildings, Banbury Road, Woodstock.

RESOLVED

That WTC reiterate the previous comments that they made about planning application 07/1808/P/FP.

(c) Ref: 10/0561/P/FP
Creation of 24 new parking bays.
Owen Mumford Ltd, Brook Hill, Woodstock.

RESOLVED

That this planning application should be supported.

(d) Ref: 10/0600/P/FP
Erection of rear conservatory.
37 Shipton Road, Woodstock.

RESOLVED

That no comment be made to this planning application

Cllr A Glees left the meeting at this point.

WTC/11/10 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF:

A general amendment was required to the minutes to ensure that 'Berkeley Homes' was spelt correctly.

The Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 13 April 2010 were approved and signed as a correct record subject to the following amendments:

Minute WTC/339/09, Memorials. In the fourth line, insert the words 'for work done' after the word 'receipts'

Minute WTC/341/09, Planning Matters & Applications. In paragraph (a) Ref: 10/386/P/FP, eighth line down, replace 'Cllr E Poskitt' with 'Cllr Mrs V Edwards'

Minute WTC/346/09, Meetings of Committees and Sub-Committees. Under (c) Bowls and Tennis Club, in the first line of the first paragraph replace 'Cllr P Redpath' with 'Cllr E Poskitt' In the fourth line of the first paragraph amend 'produced with the help of Carter Jonas' to 'produced by Carter Jonas' In the final sentence of this paragraph the word 'proposing' was replaced with the words 'with the Carter Jonas proposal that:'

The Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 27 April 2010 were approved and signed as a correct record subject to the following amendments:

Minute WTC/351/09, Financial Matters. Under (1), in the first line of the first paragraph was amended to read 'An explanation by the Financial Assistant' In the eleventh line of the first paragraph the minutes were amended so that 'staff changes' now reads 'staff workload'

Minute WTC/355/09, Environment Update (i) Resident's Gates Accessing Town Council Property. In the last sentence of this paragraph the word 'Cllr' was inserted before Mrs A Grant.

Minute WTC/357/09, Woodstock Market Town Partnership & Request for Funding. After the first sentence a new sentence was inserted as follows 'Cllrs P Redpath and Mrs T Redpath reported that the ORCC website indicated that the Market Towns grant funding for Oxfordshire was all allocated.'

The Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 5 May 2010 were approved and signed as a correct record subject to the following amendments:

Minute WTC/365/09, Former Railway Station Site. In the final line, change the date from 'Tuesday 20th May 2010' to 'Tuesday 25th May 2010.'

WTC/12/10 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

County Cllr I Hudspeth congratulated Cllr J Cooper on his recent success in the local elections and also his election as Woodstock Town Mayor. He then commented that the County and District Councils were awaiting the result of the General Election as this could have budget implications.

Cllr P Redpath asked whether cutbacks could affect the proposed museum extension. County Cllr I Hudspeth reported that the funding for this was not being provided by OCC but through a private trust fund. He reported that the S106 money to maintain the Verinia Court footpath along the old railway embankment (£250 annually) has been collected by the County Council but that no enforcement body currently existed that ensured that the spending was implemented. Cllr C Carritt said that he has further information on this matter which he will copy to County Cllr Hudspeth.

Cllr J Cooper confirmed that Woodstock Swimming Pool would open on 22 May 2010.

WTC/13/10 RE-ORDERING OF THE AGENDA

The Mayor asked the Council to agree to bring Agenda Item 22 forward on the agenda as it might be of interest to County Cllr I Hudspeth and the members of the public in attendance.

RESOLVED

That Agenda Items 22 (Winter Weather) be brought forward on the agenda.

WTC/14/10 WINTER WEATHER

A report from Cllr B Yoxall was received and considered by the council. The notes of a meeting about Winter Weather that took place on 15th April 2010 was also received and considered. Cllr Carritt reported that amongst the people who attended this Winter Weather meeting there was a clear desire to investigate further solutions with the emphasis on self help. It was proposed by Cllr C Carritt and seconded by Cllr T Gardiner that Cllr B Yoxall's report be noted; that further information should be gathered; and that a small working group be set up comprising Cllr C Carritt, Cllr B Yoxall, the Mayor and Cllr A Glees to take this matter forward.

RESOLVED

That Cllr B Yoxall's report be noted; that further information should be gathered; and that a small working group be set up comprising Cllr C Carritt, Cllr B Yoxall, the Mayor and Cllr A Glees to take this matter forward.

County Cllr Ian Hudspeth confirmed that this matter would be discussed further by Oxfordshire County Council and a guide would be produced for Councils regarding self help.

WTC/15/10 COMMUNICATIONS

A letter has been received from the Mayor of Illinois, who is visiting Woodstock Town Council on Tuesday 25th May 2010.

WTC/16/10 QUESTIONS

None.

WTC/17/10 FORMER RAILWAY STATION SITE

A meeting had been arranged with Berkeley Homes on Tuesday 25th May 2010.

WTC/18/10 REPORT OF THE RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER – MAY 2010

Cllr Mrs A Grant queried why there were so many lost cheques, and asked whether the Council was charged for them. Cllr T Gardiner suggested that using BACS should be considered. Cllr E Poskitt requested that when the financial reports are prepared in future they should be accompanied by a short explanation of major points.

WTC/19/10 MEETINGS OF COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES

(a) Woodstock@900

- (i) Cllr P Jay presented an oral report of the meeting of 11 May 2010. He reported that the Woodstock@900 Football Match had been postponed until July 2010 as it coincided with the Oxford United play-off at Wembley.
- (ii) Cllr P Jay presented a paper regarding a change to the constitution of the Legacy Fund and proposed that WTC receive the report.

RESOLVED

That the Council receive the paper regarding a change to the constitution of the Legacy Fund.

Cllr Mrs V Edwards said that she and Cllr A Glees had worked with Cllr P Jay to come to this agreement and that she was pleased to see this come before the Council. However, she felt the

fourth paragraph of the paper was still a little unclear. Cllr P Jay proposed an amendment to the current revision so that under part 3, Governance of the Fund, the nominations for trustees should come from the Town Council rather than the Town Mayor.

RESOLVED

That an amendment be made to the current revision so that under part 3, Governance of the Fund, the nominations for trustees should come from the Town Council rather than the Town Mayor.

(b) Environment Working Group

(i) War Memorial

The Council received and considered the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Working Group that was held on 4th May 2010. The Environment Working Group had asked Cllr Mrs P Richardson to draw up a specification of the maintenance work required at the War Memorial other than cutting the grass. It proposed that the WTC terminate the existing contract, that the Clerk obtains three quotes for the specified work and that the existing contractor be asked to provide a quotation. The Mayor seconded this proposal.

RESOLVED

That the WTC terminate the existing contract, that the Clerk obtain three quotes for the specified work and that the existing contractor be asked to provide a quotation.

(ii) Allotments

One Resident has already requested in writing that WTC provide an allotment site and the Environment Working Group are aware of other residents who would also welcome the provision of such a site. Cllr P Redpath and the Clerk had met with the resident who has written to the Council. The Environment Working Group proposed that the Clerk be authorised to investigate the possibility of sites for the provision of allotments. The Mayor seconded this proposal.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk be authorised to investigate the possibility of sites for the provision of allotments.

(iii) Budget

The Environment Working Group presented an additional paper recommending a carry forward budget as administrative difficulties had prevented the Group from getting the work finished before year end. The Group stated that works such as Woodstock in Bloom, ongoing works at the water meadows and cleaning ivy from the memorials were pending, and that the June budget review would be too late for some of these projects. In view of the prudence across the environment budget during 2009/10 and the minimal cost of the outstanding items Cllr Mrs T Redpath proposed that the EWG be permitted to carry forward £6,544 to the financial year 2010/11. Cllr P Redpath seconded this proposal.

Cllr T Gardiner suggested that unless it was a specific health and safety issue, the items should wait until after the June budget review. Cllr P Jay reminded the Council that it had already decided in April 2010 that no additional expenditure should be committed until after the June budget review. Cllr P Redpath said that the April resolution had only applied to property expenditure and not environmental matters. The Mayor checked the minutes and confirmed that Cllr P Redpath was correct. The vote was then taken.

RESOLVED (9 votes for and 1 against)

That the Environment Working Group be allowed to carry forward £6,544 to the financial year 2010/11.

WTC/20/10 PROCEDURAL REVIEW

Cllr I Thomas proposed that the agenda item relating to procedural review be deferred to the June meeting of the Town Council.

RESOLVED

That Woodstock Town Council agreed that the item about procedural review be deferred to the June Town Council meeting.

WTC/21/10 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Mayor proposed that in view of the special or confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and they are asked to withdraw. This motion was seconded by Cllr T Gardiner.

RESOLVED

That the public be temporarily excluded and be asked to withdraw during agenda items 22 and 23.

WTC/22/10 PROPERTY WORKING GROUP

(i) Expenditure

Cllr Mrs V Edwards gave a verbal update from the Property Working Group meeting that was held on 10th May 2010. She reported that Carter Jones had recently completed a five year maintenance report which detailed approximately £158,500 worth of work. This excluded routine maintenance work and the findings of the roof survey which was scheduled to take place on 28th May 2010.

In addition, Carter Jonas has suggested that a minimum budget of £19,500 (plus a 10% contingency) may be required to upgrade 8 Park Street as the current tenant has expressed an intention to give up this tenancy in September 2010. Cllr Mrs V Edwards reported that if external upgrades are included the costs could rise to £37,850 and therefore recommended that a cost benefit analysis be done to evaluate the requirements.

(ii) 2 Market Street:

The lease for this shop has been signed and sealed.

(iii) 4 Market Street:

Cllr V Edwards reported that the tenants have requested a further two month rent free time extension. Cllr Mrs V Edwards proposed that the Clerk ask the tenants to put their request in writing for the Council to consider and that they are asked to include a timeline within their request. Cllr T Gardiner seconded this proposal.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk ask the tenants of No. 4 Market Street to put their request in writing for the Council to consider and that they include a timeline in their request.

(iv) Other Tenancies

One tenant is currently in arrears on their rent. Cllr Mrs V Edwards proposed that Carter Jonas be instructed to commence their rent recovery process. This motion was seconded by Cllr C Carritt.

RESOLVED

That Carter Jones be instructed to commence their rent recovery process to collect the outstanding rent.

One tenant had previously notified WTC of their intention to assign their lease. Cllr Mrs V Edwards reported that tenant had now decided not to do this.

(v) Health and Safety

The Fire Officer has served a Safety Order on WTC for the Town Hall as the management processes require updating. WTC is required to develop an action plan within 28 days which details how the deficiencies will be resolved. The Clerk reported that it had been recommended that a heat detector be installed in the boiler room and that the foyer be kept clear of obstructions and flammable materials as this is the major escape route for this building.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk, the Council Member for Property and the Town Hall Caretaker undertake a Fire risk assessment of the building and compile the report required by the Fire Officer within the specified deadlines.

WTC/23/10 RECRUITMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANT

The Council received and considered a paper from the Clerk that outlined the process and unanimous recommendation of the recruitment panel. The panel proposed that one candidate should be offered the post subject to suitable references being received.

RESOLVED

That the recommended candidate be offered the role of Financial Assistant, subject to suitable references being received.

WTC/24/10 SEALING OF DOCUMENTS

None.

WTC/25/10 WOODSTOCK MARKET TOWN PARTNERSHIP – REQUEST FOR FUNDING

The Council received and considered a report from Cllr C Carritt. Cllr C Carritt thanked Cllrs P & Mrs T Redpath for sending him information about the availability of funding and reported that although the funding available via the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council (ORCC) from the South East England Development Agency had now been allocated other funding streams were likely to continue. He said that future funding applications for projects costing significant amounts will require robust analysis and a determination of needs as part of a well presented business case. Cllr P Redpath said that the town appraisal undertaken in 1997 was very similar and would still be relevant. He suggested that using internal contributors and information invalidated the results as it needed to be impartial. Cllr C Carritt said that this report was still worthwhile but needed to be updated into a more sophisticated health check. Blenheim Palace's property manager and other professionals were now on the group and had already started discussions with some other local councils such as Wootton. Some Cllrs were concerned about the possible costs involved but Cllr Carritt considered that it need not be prohibitively expensive as many of the resources were already available within the town and ORCC and OCC can provide Oxfordshire Towns with a Thriving Economies Grant to pay for analysis, meeting room hire etc. He said that ORCC has reserved £3,500 for the project in Woodstock subject to WTC making a modest contribution. Cllr C Carritt proposed that to enable this project to go forward WTC contribute £700 capped match-funding as a budget of £4200 should suffice. This proposal was seconded by Cllr Mrs E Stokes. Cllr P Jay proposed an amendment to the original proposal, that a contribution of £700 by WTC is supported in principle but the final decision about the allocation of funds be held until the conclusion of the June budget review. Cllr C Carritt accepted this amendment and a vote was taken.

RESOLVED (7 votes, Cllr C Carritt abstained).

That a contribution of £700 by WTC towards a Town Health Check be supported in principle but that the final decision about the allocation of funds is held until the conclusion of the June budget review.

WTC/26/10 RECLAIM IT

Cllr C Carritt presented an oral report to Council about Reclaim It and proposed that the WTC participate in the scheme. The Clerk reported that during the recent visit by the Fire Officer the large cardboard collecting box provided for recycling computer ink and laser cartridges and mobile phones had been flagged as a potential fire hazard, therefore Cllr C Carritt confirmed that he would obtain a smaller metal box to resolve this problem. Cllr E Jay asked whether batteries were included in this recycling scheme. Cllr C Carritt said that they were not, however Cllr J Cooper confirmed that some of the shops in Woodstock did recycle batteries.

RESOLVED

That WTC would support the Reclaim It initiative subject to the collection container complying with the Town Hall fire regulations.

WTC/27/10 CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cllr T Gardiner said that WTC had historically paid for the Town clock to be maintained and proposed that £350 be allocated within the 2010/11 budget for this purpose. This motion was seconded by Cllr Mrs A Grant.

RESOLVED

That £350 is allocated within the 2010/11 budget for clock maintenance.

It was confirmed that the Carnival Committee had not applied for a grant towards their insurance costs this year. Cllr C Carritt declared a personal interest in this matter as he is a Member of the Carnival Committee. Cllr P Jay suggested that the Mayor discuss this with the Carnival Committee to confirm that they realized the implications.

RESOLVED

That the Mayor talk to the Carnival Committee to confirm that they had realized the implications of not asking for a grant this year.

WTC/28/10 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Mayor proposed that in view of the special or confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and they are asked to withdraw. This motion was seconded by Cllr T Gardiner.

RESOLVED

That the public be temporarily excluded and be asked to withdraw during agenda items 29.

WTC/29/10 STAFF APPRAISAL

Cllr P Jay reported that had undertaken the Town Clerk's six month appraisal. He considered that the Town Clerk had made a strong and excellent start. Her priority should now be to get up to speed on her financial duties as Responsible Finance Officer before the end of July 2010.

WTC/30/10 STAFF ACCOMMODATION

The Town Clerk confirmed that the Fire Officer had visited and confirmed that there are no additional fire safety requirements associated with Room 13 being turned into the Clerk's office. She circulated a report with approximate costings for the conversion of Room 13 into an office amounting to less than £1,000. The Clerk recommended that a budget of £1,000 be approved by WTC for the policy decision to relocate the Clerk to Room 13 as resolved by WTC on 9th March 2010 ó WTC/327/09 (f) Mayor's

Committee (iv). However, she recognized that budget constraints might mean that the approval of this budget might have to be deferred until the June budget review meeting. Cllr Mrs V Edwards said that her company would donate the basic cabling work required for the computer installation as long as it was straight forward. Cllr P Redpath considered it an excellent idea for the Town Clerk to move to Room 13 and proposed that the budget of £1,000 for this move be approved now by WTC. This proposal was seconded by Cllr P Jay.

RESOLVED (6 votes for to 5 against)

That the £1,000 budget associated with the Town Clerk's re-location to Room 13 is approved.

WTC/31/10 DISTRIBUTION OF COUNCIL PAPERS

On 9th February 2010 WTC had resolved to undertake a six month trial of emailing council papers (WTC/300/09) because the Town Clerk was reluctant to ask volunteers to take on the responsibility for delivering all council papers, especially during the recent winter weather conditions. Email distribution had therefore been trialled but this had not been very successful. Therefore a letter had been given to the Clerk, signed by 10 Cllrs (as required by SO 36) proposing that this decision be rescinded as Cllrs preferred the former delivery system.

The original proposal that all papers be emailed to Councillors was put to Council.

RESOLVED (3 votes for but 8 against)

That WTC/300/09 be rescinded and that the distribution of papers would revert back to the old system and no longer be by email alone.

The Clerk suggested that at least the agendas should probably be sent by post to ensure that WTC complied with the rules associated with the notice periods for these. Cllr Mrs T Redpath proposed that papers could be sent by first class post, seconded by Cllr C Carritt.

RESOLVED (8 votes for to 5 against)

That papers could be distributed by first class post.

WTC/32/10 S106 AGREEMENT – SHIPTON ROAD DEVELOPMENT

A letter was considered which had been received from Michael Deadman at Oxfordshire County Council. No further comments were made.

WTC/33/10 ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

At the end of the meeting Cllr Mrs A Grant said that upon reflection she had now decided to decline the post of Deputy Mayor.

RESOLVED

To defer the election of a new Deputy Mayor until the next full Council meeting on 8 June 2010.

The meeting rose at 10.45pm

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