

BANBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Banbury Town Council held on Tuesday, 16 May 2022 at 6.30pm in the Town Hall, Banbury.

Present: Councillor Strangwood (Town Mayor)
Councillors: Ahmed, Ayers, Beere, Biegel, Bishop, Bunce, Cherry, Colegrave, Donaldson, Garrett, Hodgson, Hussain, Kilsby, Mallon, Mears, Phillips, Reeves, Richards and Tohill-Martin.

Officers: Mark Hassall (Town Clerk & RFO)
Paul Almond (Director of Environment)
Martyn Surfleet (Executive Officer)
Simon Lewthwaite (Civic Officer)
Chris Green (Events Manager)

The Town Mayor, preceded by the Macebearer, escorted by the Town Clerk and accompanied by Members of the Town Council and the Town Mayor's Chaplain processed into the Town Hall.

The Town Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Serena Tajima and the incoming Mayor's Imam led prayers. Councillor Mallon read Psalm 84 verses 9-12.

The Town Mayor reviewed her year of office and thanked all those who had supported her during the year, especially her Deputy Town Mayor; her Civic Cadets; fellow Members; the Town Hall staff including, Simon Lewthwaite (Civic Officer); and the people of Banbury.

The Town Mayor presented cheques to her chosen charities, Katherine House Hospice, Helen & Douglas House and Frank Wise School and gift vouchers to the outgoing Civic Cadets.

C.55/22 Election of the Town Mayor for 2023/24

It was proposed by Councillor Mallon, seconded by Councillor Reeves, and **WAS RESOLVED** that Councillor Ahmed be elected Town Mayor of Banbury for the year 2023/24.

C.56/22 Election of a Deputy Town Mayor for 2023/24

It was proposed by Councillor Mallon, seconded by Councillor Reeves, and **WAS RESOLVED** that Councillor Bishop be elected Deputy Town Mayor of Banbury for the year 2023/24.

The Civic Party then retired and Councillor Ahmed was invested with the Chain and Robe of Office. On the return of the Civic Party, Councillor Ahmed took the Chair. He thanked Members for the honour of being elected Town Mayor for Banbury and undertook to uphold the traditions of the Office.

A short musical interlude ensued where guests were entertained by Tabitha – A student from Sibford School.

- C.57/22 Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Town Mayor**
Councillor Ahmed then made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Town Mayor of Banbury, which was duly accepted by the Council.
(The Town Mayor announced that Mrs Akksa Bibi would be his Consort, and she was invested with the badge of Town Mayors Consort. The Town Mayor also appointed three new Civic Cadets:
Sea Cadet: Able Rhianydd Buttle
Army Cadet: Lance Corporal Owen Jones
Air Training Corps Cadet: Sgt Pippa Bullock
- C.58/22 Apologies for Absence**
Cllr Dalton, Cllr Ilott
- C.59/22 Declarations of Interest**
None.
- C.60/22 Minutes of the last Meeting**
It was proposed by the Town Mayor, and **WAS RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 11 April 2023 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Town Mayor.
- C.61/22 Communications**
The Town Clerk reported that there were no communications.
- C.62/22 Appointment of Standing Committees**
It was proposed by Councillor Mallon, seconded by Councillor Colegrave, and **WAS RESOLVED** that the size and makeup of the Standing Committees as at **Appendix 1** be approved.
- C.63/22 Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies**
It was proposed by Councillor Mallon, seconded by Councillor Colegrave, and **WAS RESOLVED** that the Appointments of Representatives to Outside Bodies as at **Appendix 2** be approved.

The Meeting ended at 7.10pm.

The Meeting was followed by a Reception for the newly elected Town Mayor

**Standing Committee Membership
2023 – 2024**

1. Resources Committee

(Seats allocated: Conservative 6, Labour 4)

Conservative

1. Ayers
2. Colegrave
3. Mallon
4. Phillips
5. Reeves
6. Strangwood

Labour

1. Biegel
2. Hussain
3. Kilsby
4. Tohill-Martin

[Alternate Members]

Conservative

1. Ahmed
2. Bishop
3. Bunce
4. Donaldson
5. Illott
6. Dalton

Labour

1. Beere
2. Cherry
3. Hodgson
4. Richards
5. Mears

2. General Services Committee

(Seats allocated: Conservative 6, Labour 4)

Conservative

1. Ayers
2. Bishop
3. Bunce
4. Colegrave
5. Donaldson
6. Phillips

Labour

1. Cherry
2. Biegel
3. Hussain
4. Mears

[Alternate Members]

Conservative

1. Ahmed
2. Dalton
3. Illott
4. Mallon
5. Reeves
6. Strangwood

Labour

1. Beere
2. Hodgson
3. Kilsby
4. Richards
5. Tohill-Martin

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3. Planning Committee

(Seats Allocated: Conservative 6, Labour 4)

Conservative

1. Ahmed
2. Ayers
3. Bishop
4. Bunce
5. Colegrave
6. Illott

Labour

1. Beere
2. Hodgson
3. Kilsby
4. Richards

[Alternate Members]

Conservative

1. Dalton
2. Donaldson
3. Mallon
4. Phillips
5. Reeves
6. Strangwood

Labour

1. Cherry
2. Hussain
3. Mears
4. Biegel
5. Tohill-Martin

4. Appeals Panel

(Seats Allocated: Conservative 3, Labour 2)

Conservative

1. Bunce
2. Donaldson
3. Illott

Labour

1. Beere
2. Hodgson

[Note: Appeals Panel members cannot be members of Resources Cttee]

APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Organisation	Category	No	Nominations 2023/24
Banbury & District Air Training Corps	B	1	Cllr Donaldson (C)
Banbury & District Samaritans	A	1	Cllr Ahmed (C)
Banbury & District Twinning Association	A	1	Cllr Hussain (L)
Banbury Bluecoat Foundation	B	1	Cllr Bunce (C)
Banbury Borough Bowling Club	B	1	Cllr Mallon (C)
Banbury Canal Partnership	P	1	Cllr Mallon (C) Cllr Hodgson (L)
Banbury Citizen's Advice Bureau	A	1	Cllr Reeves (C)
Banbury Civic Society	B	1	Cllr Mallon (C)
Banbury Sea Cadets	B	1	Cllr Phillips (C)
Banbury Traffic Advisory Committee	P	3	Cllr Ahmed (C) Cllr Biegel (L) Cllr Ilott (C)
BARKS	B	1	Cllr Ilott (C)
Borough of Banbury Trust 2 (plus TM and DTM)	P	2	Cllr Mallon (C) Cllr Hussain (L)
Chamber of Commerce	A	1	Cllr Mallon (C)
Cherwell Climate Change Partnership	P	1	Cllr Dalton (C)
Cherwell Community & Voluntary Service	A	1	Cllr Donaldson (C)
Cherwell Crime Partnership: Banbury	P	1	Cllr Bunce (C)
Community Partnership Network	P	1	Cllr Mallon (C) Cllr Hussain (L)
The Glebe Charity (Cricket Club)	B	1	Cllr Ahmed (C)
The Hill	A	1	Cllr Cherry (C)
Sunshine Centre	B	1	Cllr Strangwood (C) Cllr Richards (L)
Town Centre Partnership (3)	P	3	Cllr Mallon (C) Cllr Ilott (C) Cllr Hussain (L)