

Eton Town Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting

Held via a Zoom Conference Call

Thursday 2nd July 2020 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs R. Lewandowski (Mayor), D. Bishop, M. Blightman, M. Cadwallader, S. Evans, G. Fussey, D. Hill, P. Lawless, M. Leach, Y. Olney, D. Reed, K. Robertson & L. Tarbox

In Attendance: Mr R. Austen (Town Clerk), Mr M. Reynolds (Accountant), Cllr S. Rayner (RBWM), Dr R. Rivaz & Ms L. Bryant (ECA), Ms C. Taylor (EWVA/EWWG), Sgt E. Pendry (TVP) & 5 Members of the Public

Apologies: Cllr J. Lovell & Cllr S. Shelim (RBWM)

The Mayor opened the meeting by welcoming everyone present and the apologies were recorded.

CM 5431 Coronavirus Epidemic

The Mayor reported that there was a gradual reduction in volunteer service in Eton Wick and Dr Rivaz reported the same situation in Eton. The more vulnerable residents of both communities were still being looked after. A letter had been circulated to key volunteers in Eton by the Deputy Mayor and Dr Rivaz and Eton Wick by the Mayor and Cllr Robertson expressing ETC and ECA/EWVA appreciation for their help and support during the pandemic.

The Mayor expressed his thanks to Cllr Tarbox for her help in compiling a risk assessment for the reopening of the Council Offices.

CM 5432 Crown Farm

The Mayor summarised the latest situation at Crown Farm following the auction of the field on 17.6.20. Cllr Rayner confirmed that RBWM has written to the land agents requesting information on the intended use of the land and the requirement that the trees be reinstated. The Mayor and Cllrs Fussey and Robertson had met with Mr Sines following the auction when they were informed that there was no danger of the field being used as a travellers' site and instead the plans were to develop the site, in accordance with planning and flood plain regulations.

CM 5433 Finance

1. Mr Reynolds presented the June Monthly and YTD accounts to the Meeting This was another quiet month with expenditure of £8K against a budget of £11K, although the Greentouch Ltd monthly invoice was outstanding. There being no questions, the accounts were approved unanimously.
2. The Town Clerk presented the June Schedule of Payments to the Meeting. There was nothing special to report and there being no questions, the schedule was approved unanimously.
3. The Town Clerk presented a quotation from Greentouch Ltd for £700.00 plus VAT for riparian works at Bell Lane Open Area, viz silt clearance of Common Ditch. This expenditure was approved unanimously and the Town Clerk will make the necessary arrangements **Action: Town Clerk**
4. The Town Clerk presented a quotation from Greentouch Ltd for £650.00 plus VAT for the installation of retractable bollards at Stockdales Road Recreation Ground, to enable access for future events. This expenditure was approved unanimously and the Town Clerk will make the necessary arrangements. **Action: Town Clerk**
5. The Town Clerk presented the 2019/20 Annual Governance and Accountability Return to the Meeting; these had been audited by our internal auditor Richard Cox. The Governance Statement (Section 1) was approved unanimously and the Accountability Return (Section 2) was also approved unanimously. The Town Clerk will mail these to the external auditor PKF Littlejohn on 3.7.20. **Action: Town Clerk**
The Town Clerk will send copies to Cllr Blightman for posting on the ETC website on 6.7.20. **Action: Town Clerk**

The Town Clerk will email the Public Rights and Publication of Unaudited Annual Governance & Accountability Return to Cllr Blightman for posting on the ETC website on 3.7.20. **Action: Town Clerk**

CM 5434 RBWM Councillors' Issues

Cllr Rayner reported on the following issues:

- 1) RBWM is planning the recovery process from the Covid 19 epidemic and the delivery of services which may be in a different format, for example the library service where initially fewer libraries will open.
- 2) The RBWM Climate Change Emergency strategy had been approved at Council and will now go to consultation.
- 3) RBWM is keen to retain volunteer engagement post Covid 19.
- 4) RBWM is organising a 'Shop Local' campaign.
- 5) The free car parking for 3 hours benefit in RBWM car parks will cease on 15.7.20.
- 6) The cost to RBWM of the Covid 19 epidemic has been £14 million but so far the Council had only received £7 million from the Government which had depleted the RBWM reserves.
- 7) Cllr Rayner expressed RBWM appreciation to TVP for their help in dealing with ASB on the Brocas.
- 8) The gas works on the High Street, Eton will recommence on 13.7.20 and are expected to finish on 28.8.20, before College returns. This is dependant on the Covid 19 situation.

Cllr Tarbox asked when will the weekly bin collection service be resumed, this decision was pending.

Cllr Tarbox expressed concern over the change in bus lanes in Slough affecting traffic flow through Eton and Eton Wick. Cllr Rayner will consult with RBWM Traffic Officer. **Action: Cllr Rayner**

The Mayor thanked Cllr Rayner for her report.

CM 5435 Thames Valley Police (TVP) Liason

The report from Sgt Pendry had been circulated ahead of the Meeting and Sgt Pendry highlighted the main topics from her report under the following headings:

- 1) Crime statistics
- 2) Security Advice
- 3) Burglary
- 4) Crown Farm
- 5) The Brocas
- 6) Town Centres
- 7) Homeless
- 8) Windsor and Eton Central Team Updates

Sgt Pendry concluded her report by thanking everyone for their support during her time serving the community, and she will let the Town Clerk know the name of her replacement when appointed.

The Mayor expressed ETC appreciation for the wonderful service which Sgt Pendry had provided and to pass on the best wishes of the Council for her future career.

CM 5436 Eton Community Association (ECA) & Eton Wick Village Association (EWVA & EWWG) ECA

Dr Rivaz notified the Meeting of the following points:

1. The relaxing of Covid 19 restrictions has caused issues on the Brocas, the Piazza and town cycling.
2. Most of the shops had now opened. There are 2 potential new business opening and 1 closing.
3. Licensing issues had been effectively dealt with by RBWM.
4. There are problems with bins being left on the pavements and streets and this is being dealt with.
5. The Eton Court toilets are now open and new and better signage is being sought.
6. The ECA AGM had been held remotely and the accounts had been audited.
7. Barnes Pool is being carefully looked after by Peter Eaton who is doing a great job.
8. Gas works in the High Street – a letter will be sent to all residents and businesses affected and are likely to start on 13.7.20.

The Mayor thanked Dr Rivaz for her report.

EWVA & EWWG

The report from Ms Taylor of EWVA/EWWG had been circulated prior to the Meeting and Ms Taylor highlighted certain points:

- 1) Crown Farm had been the major issue and EWVA will be monitoring the situation closely.
- 2) There has been an increase in profile and membership of EWVA as a result of the Crown Farm issue.
- 3) There is a winding-down of volunteer engagement as people return to work.
- 4) EWWG teams have been working on clearing Boveney Ditch to alleviate flooding on the western boundary of the village.

Cllr Leach enquired what involvement does Eton have in the Wild Eton and Eton Wick group as he had not heard about this initiative. Ms Taylor responded that the group's mission statement had yet to be finalised and presented. The Town Clerk added that the group had been discussed before at ETC meetings and had been reported in ETC minutes

Cllr Fussey added that ETC recognised the importance of biodiversity and had included a sum in the 2020/21 annual budget. Along with Ms Taylor and Eton College boys he had attended 3 of the 4 RBWM Climate Change Emergency meetings and both he and the Mayor had expressed their determination to support these issues as ETC policy. The Wild Eton and Eton Wick mission statement along with its aims and objectives will be available soon. It was felt essential that the group aligns itself with the RBWM Climate Change Emergency plans and the Neighbourhood Plan, in partnership with the other 'Wild' groups within the Borough. The Crown Farm issue had demonstrated how fragile our local environment is and the importance of vigilance.

Dr Rivaz expressed ECA support for the group and requested that the community be engaged from the outset to encourage local participation.

The Mayor thanked Ms Taylor for her report.

CM 5437 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Town Council

The minutes of the ETC Meeting held on 4th June 2020 had been circulated and with no alterations requested, were approved.

CM 5438 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Town Clerk Actions:

- **CM 5412 Crown Farm**

- 1) Communicate the motion agreed on 4.6.20 to RBWM.

Actioned

- **CM 5413 Finance**

- 1) Progress My Handyman quote for work required on dog bins and waste bins in Eton Wick. **Actioned**
- 2) Progress payment of renewal subscription to NALC/BALC. **Actioned**

- **CM 5425 Development Control**

- 1) Communicate comments from ETC meeting on 4.6.20 to RBWM Planning, including statement from Cllr Fussey and Dr Rivaz on Planning Application 20/01093/TCA.

Actioned

Pending Items:

- 1) Attend to falling branch at SML Recreation Ground.
- 2) Notices advising public speaking times at ETC meetings of 3 minutes maximum to be placed on seats at future meetings.
- 3) Make enquiries of a new tree survey.

Members Actions:

None reported.

RBWM Members' Actions**Cllr Bowden:**

- **CM 5337 RBWM Councillors' Issues**

- 1) Check whether CIL is due on Eton College Sports Centre.
The Town Clerk enquired of RBWM and received confirmation that no CIL was due. **Actioned**

Cllr Rayner

- **CM 5312 Recreation Grounds & Open Spaces**

- 1) Progress proposed woodland area at Bell Farm with Ms Taylor of EWVA. **Pending**

CM 5439 Standing Committee

The Mayor reported that there had been no meeting in June.

CM 5440 Mayor's Report

The Mayor reported that the Crown Farm issue had been his main focus during June and he had attended a Zoom meeting of EWVA when this issue was the main discussion point.

CM 5441 Action List

Issue	Action / Status
Haywards Mead Play Area Redevelopment	<p>Cllr Tarbox is leading this project.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 5.3.20 Cllrs Tarbox and Lawless advised that they would be meeting soon to discuss progress.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 7.5.20 Cllr Tarbox advised that she would be applying for grants for play area equipment renewal.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 4.6.20 Cllr Tarbox reported that she had discussed with Cllr Lawless their plans which included grant applications, repainting the ironwork and replacing the ETC sign..</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 2.7.20 Cllr Tarbox advised that progress was being made on repainting the gate and ironwork.</p>

**Cycling
Problems in
Eton High
Street**

Cllr Fussey is leading this project

At the ETC Meeting on 3.10.19 it was reported that regular cycle watches by TVP are taking place.

At the ETC Meeting on 6.2.20 it was reported that a cycle watch had taken place that week. Town Clerk to write to TVP requesting notification of future cycle watches so that Members could assist. A positive response had been received, with dates.

At the ETC Meeting on 5.3.20 it was reported that the gasworks in the High Street had delayed the cycle watch programme.

At the ETC Meeting on 7.5.20 Cllr Fussey advised that the problem still existed but confirmed that whenever TVP is present, they take immediate action.

At the ETC Meeting on 4.6.20 Cllr Fussey reported on increased instances of cyclists ignoring the one-way system and also using footpaths, both of which are potentially very dangerous. Better signage was being considered but TVP cycle watches seemed to be the only deterrent that actually works. A suggestion by Cllr Leach to hire private security was considered unlikely to work as they would have no official powers. Cllr Lovell's proposal of a cycle lane going against the traffic flow was also considered unlikely to work as this would involve removing the build-outs which are necessary for speed control and parking spaces. It was agreed that a separate meeting be held between Cllrs Fussey and Leach, Dr Rivaz and Ms Bryant to discuss this matter further. Cllr Olney recommended that contact be made with Sustrans for their advice as part of this meeting.

Cllr Fussey reported that he had met with Dr Rivaz and Ms Bryant on 11.6.20 to review the signage and what improvements could be made. It was established from RBWM that no further signs were possible. Two signs in particular were identified as being ineffective, namely the white painted turn left sign on the cobbles and the left hand no entry sign. The opinion of the Highways Officer at RBWM was that the main deterrent was enforcement and PCSO's had been most effective in this in the past although their availability was strained during the pandemic. In addition, RBWM Community Wardens had the power to fine cyclists using footways. Cllr Fussey agreed to pursue the matter with Phil Jacob of RBWM.

<p>South Meadow Lane Pavilion, Eton</p>	<p>Cllr Reed is leading this project.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 5.3.20 Cllr Reed advised through a written report that he had not received a response from RBWM regarding the £5K grant towards drawings already approved, or to wait for notice of whether the ETC capital bid for £100K had been successful as it is understood that ETC cannot have both payments. The Town Clerk had progressed this with Cllrs Bowden and Rayner and was awaiting a response.</p> <p>Subsequent information from RBWM confirmed that capital bids had been cancelled for 2020/2021. Cllr Reed also advised that he would submit further applications to third party funds for grant applications in March.</p> <p>A meeting with the Chairman of Windsor FC with the Mayor and Town Clerk had taken place on 5.2.20 and opportunities were discussed. The Club will come back with their proposals in due course.</p> <p>A meeting with the Chairman of Windsor Youth FC with the Mayor and Town Clerk took place on 21.2.20 and that Club will come back with their proposals in due course.</p> <p>At the ETC meeting on 7.5.20 Cllr Reed advised that there had been no response from either Club to date, and that he was continuing to apply for grants.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 4.6.20 Cllr Reed reported that a grant application he had made to Hargreaves for £150K had been unsuccessful.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 2.7.20 Cllr Reed reported no progress had been made.</p>
<p>Eton & Eton Wick Footpaths</p>	<p>Cllr Olney is leading this project.</p> <p>The purpose of this project is to monitor the condition of the footpaths and report any problems to the Town Clerk.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 5.3.20 Cllr Olney reported that she had met with Anthony Hurst of RBWM and had an interesting discussion. Plans are being made for a residents' ramble of lesser known footpaths. Cllr Olney is working closely with Ms Taylor of EWVA and Ms Taylor has walked all the footpaths.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 7.5.20 Cllr Olney advised that she had reported instances of a broken gate and signs to RBWM.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 4.6.20 Cllr Olney reported that the broken signs had been repaired and the broken gate would be left as this was not causing any obstruction. Ms Taylor identified another broken sign and she would pass this information on to Cllr Olney for reporting to RBWM.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 2.7.20 Cllr Olney reported that there were a few signage issues which she was following up with RBWM.</p>

Plans for Bio-Diversity & Climate Change Emergency	<p>Cllr Fussey is leading this project.</p> <p>The 2020/21 budget includes £4,200 for sustainability projects in Eton & Eton Wick. Plans, to be formulated.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 6.2.20 Ms Taylor reported on the formation of Wild Eton and Eton Wick group which will encompass biodiversity issues across the two communities. A ‘wish list’ had already been published and circulated to Members and this will work in harmony with the Neighbourhood Plan. Other ‘Wild’ groups had been established in neighbouring parishes, forming a chain of groups within RBWM and following their policy of Climate Change Emergency initiatives.</p> <p>The Mayor confirmed the commitment of ETC to Wild Eton and Eton Wick and to be part of the ongoing process with Cllr Fussey as the lead member. EWWG Stakeholder Meetings had been well supported with both ETC and RBWM Members in attendance. Eton College boys are very enthusiastic and need to be involved in the group. The Mayor concluded that biodiversity is just one aspect of climate change and the objective of attaining carbon neutrality across the Borough has the full support of ETC.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 5.3.20 Cllr Fussey reported that he had attended 3 meetings of the RBWM Climate Change Emergency Group with two College boys and was due to attend the next one on 25.3.20. It is hoped that this next meeting will produce some actions. This meeting was subsequently cancelled.</p> <p>Ms Taylor reported on the formation of River Rangers who will report bi-annually and meet monthly to survey the areas and get a better picture of what is needed to go into the Biodiversity Action Plan.</p> <p>Earth Watch will involve schoolchildren in examining the biodiversity of the River Thames and its tributaries to help determine the health of the watercourses.</p> <p>Ms Taylor had walked the watercourses with the Fisheries Officer and Biodiversity Officer at RBWM and will come back with plans for review by ETC and Eton College.</p> <p>Cllr Fussey wished to involve College boys in this activity and they are available on Saturday afternoons.</p> <p>Cllr Fussey outlined College plans for an orchard alongside Eton Wick Road which is planned for Tree Week in November.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 7.5.20 Cllr Fussey advised that activity in Eton was on hold due to the Coronavirus epidemic. On behalf of Eton Wick, Ms Taylor reported that the wild flowers planted in Bell Lane were flourishing, a survey had taken place in Cooley’s Meadow and RBWM was making plans for tree planting. There was no activity with the waterways at present. Cllr Leach expressed his pleasure at seeing all the wild flowers growing on South Meadow.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 4.6.20 Cllr Fussey reported that the RBWM Cabinet had met on 28.5.20 to discuss Climate Emergency and the following subjects were addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circular Economy (recycling) • Renewable Energy • Sustainable Transport • Natural Capital (biodiversity projects) <p>Cllr Fussey expressed gratitude to Ms Taylor for her work in this area.</p> <p>At the ETC Meeting on 2.7.20 Cllr Fussey advised that he had been waiting for the RBWM Climate Change Emergency strategy to be approved to engage with the communities</p>
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CM 5442 Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received and circulated to Members during June 2020:

1	Email from Maurice Sawyer representing the Office of the Lieutenancy for Berkshire dated 1.6.20 regarding QAVS.	Emailed To Members 2.6.20
2	Email from Paul Roach of RBWM dated 2.6.20 regarding Reopening the Royal Borough for Business.	Emailed to Members 2.6.20
3	Email from RBWM dated 3.6.20 regarding Advantage Card Offers.	Emailed to Members 3.6.20
4	Email Newsletter from Rebecca Radford of BALC/HALC dated 3.6.20.	Emailed to Members 3.6.20
5	Email CEO Bulletin from NALC dated 5.6.20.	Emailed to Members 5.6.20
6	Email Residents' Newsletter from RBWM dated 5.6.20.	Emailed to Members 5.6.20
7	Email from NALC dated 8.6.20 regarding New Publication on Website Accessibility.	Emailed to Members 8.6.20
8	Email Newsletter from Thames & Chilterns in Bloom dated 8.6.20.	Emailed to Members 8.6.20
9	Email from NALC dated 9.6.20 regarding New Edition of Points of Light.	Emailed to Members 9.6.20
10	Email News Release from RBWM dated 9.6.20 regarding Borough Local Plan Update.	Emailed to Members 9.6.20
11	Email from Louise Cornforth of Threshold Sports Ltd dated 10.6.20 regarding McMillan Mighty Hike Event.	Emailed to Members 10.6.20
12	Email from NALC dated 10.6.20 regarding New Risk Assessment Guide.	Emailed to Members 10.6.20
13	Email Residents' Newsletter from RBWM dated 10.6.20.	Emailed to Members 10.6.20
14	Email Newsletter from NALC dated 11.6.20 regarding New Model Code of Conduct.	Emailed to Members 11.6.20
15	Email News Release from RBWM dated 11.6.20 regarding Change to Parking.	Emailed to Members 11.6.20
16	Email from Banks Solutions dated 12.6.20 regarding RBWM Borough Local Plan.	Emailed to Members 12.6.20
17	Email CEO Bulletin from NALC dated 12.6.20.	Emailed to Members 12.6.20
18	Email from Rebecca Radford of BALC dated 12.6.20 regarding Covid 19 & The Future of Local Government.	Emailed to Members 12.6.20
19	Email from Kate Meads of CCB dated 12.6.20 re Opening your Community Buildings.	Emailed to Members 12.6.20
20	Email Highways Newsletter from RBWM dated 12.6.20.	Emailed to Members 12.6.20
21	Email from South Central Ambulance Services dated 15.6.20 regarding Resources.	Emailed to Members 15.6.20
22	Email from Jhanghir Khan of Highways England dated 15.6.20 re M4 Smart Motorway.	Emailed to Members 15.6.20
23	Email Newsletter from RBWM dated 17.6.20 regarding Scheme to Support Walking & Cycling in the Borough.	Emailed to Members 17.6.20
24	Email Residents' Newsletter from RBWM dated 19.6.20.	Emailed to Members 19.6.20
25	Email CEO Bulletin from NALC dated 19.6.20.	Emailed to Members 19.6.20
26	Email Police Commissioner's Newsletter dated 19.6.20.	Emailed to Members 19.6.20
27	Email Highways Newsletter from RBWM dated 19.6.20.	Emailed to Members 19.6.20
28	Email Bulletin from Fields In Trust dated 23.6.20.	Emailed to Members 23.6.20
29	Email from Paul Roach of RBWM dated 23.6.20 regarding Advice for Pubs etc.	Emailed to Members 23.6.20
30	Email from Open Spaces Society dated 25.6.20 regarding AGM.	Emailed to Members 25.6.20
31	Email for All Bulletin from CCB dated 25.6.20.	Emailed to Members 25.6.20
32	Email Highways Newsletter from RBWM dated 26.6.20.	Emailed to Members 26.6.20
33	Email CEO Bulletin from NALC dated 26.6.20.	Emailed to Members 27.6.20
34	Email Residents' Newsletter from RBWM dated 26.6.20.	Emailed to Members 27.6.20
35	Email from Matthew Barber dated 27.6.20 regarding Police & Crime Bulletin.	Emailed to Members 27.6.20
36	Email from NALC dated 30.6.20 regarding Information to Parish & Town Councils.	Emailed to Members 30.6.20
37	Email Newsletter from BALC/HALC dated 30.6.20.	Emailed to Members 30.6.20

CM 5443 Website

The June 2020 report from Cllr Blightman had been circulated ahead of the Meeting and Cllr Blightman pointed out that there had been a spike in June due to the Crown Farm issue.

Cllr Blightman also advised the Meeting that email mailboxes were being heavily subscribed in certain cases, and the Mayor requested that Members follow the ETC email protocol which is not to send emails to 'all councillors' unnecessarily. Cllr Fussey reaffirmed the need to differentiate between emails that are for information and those that require a decision.

CM 5444 Development Control – Town Council Consultation

The following applications had been received from the Royal Borough in June 2020:

Planning Application	ETC Comment
<p>1. Details required by condition 3 (construction environment management plan) of planning permission 17/00243 for demolition of existing building and construction of a new building comprising 4 x residential units and a ground floor commercial unit and new s</p> <p>Age Concern 53 High Street Eton Windsor SL4 6BL</p> <p>Ref. No: 20/01488/CONDIT Validated: Wed 24 Jun 2020</p>	<p>Cllrs Blightman & Reed declared an interest.</p> <p>It was reported that RBWM will be aware of the problems associated with this plan and its effect on the High Street.</p>
<p>2. Details required by condition 7 (archaeology) 8 (tree protection) of planning permission 19/01548 for the erection of 6no. dwellings including a raised walkway, change of use of former Shepherds Hut to cafe following demolition of 49 Victoria Road, and part demolition of Shepherds Hut.</p> <p>Shepherds Hut 17 Eton Wick Road Eton Wick Windsor SL4 6LU</p> <p>Ref. No: 20/01487/CONDIT Validated: Wed 24 Jun 2020</p>	<p>Town Clerk to write to RBWM in support of Cllr Tarbox's concern over felling a tree.</p>
<p>3. Single storey rear extension and alterations to fenestration.</p> <p>54 Tangier Lane Eton Windsor SL4 6BB</p> <p>Ref. No: 20/01399/FULL Validated: Wed 24 Jun 2020</p>	<p>No Objection</p>
<p>4. Details required by condition 28 (construction environmental management plan) of planning permission 18/02033/FULL</p> <p>College Eton College Slough Road Eton Windsor SL4 6DJ</p> <p>Ref. No: 20/01346/CONDIT Validated: Wed 10 Jun 2020</p>	<p>Cllr Fussey declared an interest.</p> <p>No Objection</p>

Planning Application	ETC Comment
<p>5. Consent for 3no. new light fittings and replace 3no. light fittings, creation of a new inscription carved in stonework to indicate the entrance to the Museum of Eton Life.</p> <p>Brewhouse Yard Eton College Slough Road Eton Windsor</p> <p>Ref. No: 20/01349/LBC Validated: Wed 10 Jun 2020 Status: Awaiting decision</p>	<p>Cllr Fussey declared an interest.</p> <p>No Objection</p>
<p>6. Consent for the replacement of the coping stones and render to the first floor rear parapet wall.</p> <p>52 - 52A High Street Eton Windsor SL4 6BL</p> <p>Ref. No: 20/01308/LBC Validated: Fri 05 Jun 2020</p>	<p>Cllr Reed declared an interest.</p> <p>No Objection</p>
<p>7. Details required by condition 43 (cycle parking) of planning permission 18/02033</p> <p>College Eton College Slough Road Eton Windsor SL4 6DJ</p> <p>Ref. No: 20/01511/CONDIT Validated: Thu 25 Jun 2020</p>	<p>Cllr Fussey declared an interest.</p> <p>No Objection</p>

It was reported that an extension was being erected to the rear of The George. The Town Clerk was directed to write to RBWM expressing ETC concern over this structure. **Action: Town Clerk**

CM 5445 Planning Decisions & Information

The Town Clerk did not receive any planning decisions from RBWM in June 2020 and will enquire of RBWM why these are no longer being sent.

CM 5446 Other Organisations

The following reports were received from the nominated Members:

- 1) **Baldwins Bridge Trust:** .Cllr Bishop advised that the next meeting will be in October.
- 2) **Eton Wick Football & Social Club:** In the absence of Cllr Lovell there was nothing to report.
- 3) **Eton Pools Estate:** Cllr Fussey reported that the next meeting would be held on 12.10 20.
- 4) **Heathrow Airport Expansion:** Cllr Reed had circulated a report earlier in June.

CM 5447 Recreation Ground & Open Spaces Reports

- 1) **Bell Lane Open Area:** Cllr Robertson reported that all was well.
- 2) **Stockdales Recreation Ground:** Cllr Lawless reported that all was well and he would be making a check on the play area on 3.7.20 and posting the new signs.
- 3) **Haywards Mead Recreation Ground:** In the absence of Cllr Lovell, the Town Clerk reported on the condition of the football pitch which was in serious need of watering and outlined the options which were available to solve this problem. He suggested that a sub committee be set up to deal with this issue and Cllrs Olney and Robertson asked to be included, along with Ms Taylor. Cllr Lovell would be asked to chair the committee and it needs to include members of EWFSC. The Town Clerk would make the necessary arrangements. **Action: Town Clerk**
Cllr Lawless offered to check the play area and post the new signs if Cllr Lovell was not available.
- 4) **South Meadow Lane Recreation Ground:** Cllr Reed reported that all was well. Dr Rivaz will be posting the new signs and Cllr Bishop will be unlocking the gates ready for 4.7.20.
- 5) **Jubilee Square, Watermans Arms & Memorial Garden:** Cllr Leach advised that all was well and looking fine.
- 6) **Barnes Pool:** Cllr Bishop reported that the area was looking well and expressed thanks to Dr Rivaz and her husband Lloyd for attending to the barrier.
- 7) **Riparian Works:** Cllr Fussey reported that work was ongoing and that he would be joining Ms Taylor in clearing silt from Roundmoor Ditch.

CM 5448 Any Other Business

- 1) Cllr Tarbox outlined the risk assessment that she had prepared for the Council Offices and the Town Clerk would need to implement this before opening. **Action: Town Clerk**
- 2) Cllr Bishop expressed ETC appreciation to the Mayor for his devoted service to the Council over many years and during the past two years as Mayor and this was supported by everyone.

CM 5449 Resignation of Mayor and Election of New Mayor and Deputy Mayor

The Mayor read out his prepared statement on the reasons for his resignation as Mayor and councillor of ETC which had the understanding of ETC Members. He expressed his particular appreciation to the Town Clerk and Cllr Fussey for their support and advice, to Cllr Robertson for his unflappability during a crisis and to Cllr Blightman for his diligence in pursuing the website and email protocol issues. He expressed his hope that ETC Members would play a greater part in the work of the Council in the future, something which he had fostered from the beginning of his tenure as Mayor.

The Mayor concluded his resignation speech by thanking everybody on the Council for their support and assured Members that he would continue his interest in the two communities, especially on climate change and Eton & Eton Wick Information Centre.

The Town Clerk then organised the election of the new Mayor of ETC:

Councillor Fussey was proposed by Cllr Lewandowski and seconded by Cllr Bishop.
All agreed

Cllr Fussey was therefore elected as the new Mayor of ETC.

With the new Mayor coming from the Eton ward, it is custom that the Deputy Mayor should come from the Eton Wick ward and Cllr Lovell was selected by ETC Members as the nominee for Deputy Mayor:

Proposed by Cllr Tarbox and seconded by Cllr Hill.
All agreed

Cllr Lovell was therefore elected as the new Deputy Mayor of ETC.

The new Mayor assured Members that he would endeavour to engage with both communities and will continue the process of involving Members actively in the work of the Council. He paid tribute to the retiring Mayor for his selfless devotion to the two communities over many years and remarked on his conscientious approach to the many thorny issues which had presented themselves in the last 14 months. He had always been prepared to go the extra mile.

The new Mayor led an extended round of applause to the retiring Mayor who is owed a huge debt of gratitude for his service.

This accolade was met with enthusiastic agreement from all Members.

CM 5450 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 3rd September at 7.00pm. This may either be a live meeting or in the current virtual format.

The Meeting concluded at 9.10pm