

DEREHAM TOWN COUNCIL

12th July 2022

At a meeting of the **Full Council** held on **Tuesday 12th July 2022** in the Memorial Hall at **7.30pm**.

Present: Councillors H King (Chairman), A Brooks, K Cogman, P Duigan, S Green, A Greenwood, L Monument and P Morton.

Also in attendance: Town Clerk, Tony Needham; Town Council Officer Gemma Drew, District Councillor A Webb and Carolyn Coleman (aboutDereham).

23. To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C Bunting, H Clarke and T Monument.

24. Declaration of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

The meeting was adjourned

Councillor A Webb advised that so far 95 Ukrainian guests had been relocated to the Breckland area. Breckland had employed two Ukrainian speaking officers to help support them.

The Early Intervention Fund had given £1,200 to residents, whilst the Household Support Fund had given £14,000. The bursaries scheme was now closed and had accepted 5 applications. Councillor Webb also explaining the food bus was doing very well, however they were struggling with funding.

Carolyn Coleman of aboutDereham gave a brief update about the group – they are a volunteer group made up of an association of community groups in Dereham, helping to promote events.

Councillor P Morton explained he had attended a Gressenhall Hub meeting about the Wendling Beck Environmental Project, and felt it may be a good thing for Dereham to join in with.

The meeting was resumed

25. To receive announcements.

The Mayor of Dereham, Councillor H King invited Councillor Monument to say a few words about former Councillor and Mayor June Barnes who passed away on the 22nd June 2022.

Councillor L Monument described June Barnes as a popular character, who was cheerful and determined, friendly and forceful. She was a force to be reckoned with. Becoming a Councillor in 1991, Mrs Barnes pushed for the creation of the Personnel committee during her time, and becoming Mayor in 2004 was one of the highlights of her life. She served the town well as both a Councillor and Mayor.

Councillor P Duigan reiterated Councillor Monument's comments, adding June Barnes was a larger than life, outgoing character.

Councillor P Morton explained that June Barnes had helped to start up the twinning association and was a fantastic cheerleader for the town.

A minute's silence was held in memory of June Barnes.

Dereham Mayor, Councillor H King, announced that he had attended the following events:

26 th June	Honingham Service – Dunkirk Day
28 th June	Freedom Parade
28 th June	Lincoln House Open Day
28 th June	Robertson Barracks Evening Gathering
1 st July	Visit to Dereham Church Infants School with Farrier Major & Cpl Jones
2 nd July	Buffaloes Ceremonial Investiture of Bro. Justin Borland
8 th July	York Place 40 th Anniversary Celebration
11 th July	Visit to Queen Mother's Garden

26. To receive, confirm as correct and sign the minutes of the **Full Council meeting** held on **Tuesday 14th June 2022**

Proposed by Councillor H King, the minutes of the Full Council meeting on Tuesday 14th June 2022 were agreed and signed.

27. **To receive and adopt the list of accounts paid, the Financial Statement and list of accounts to be paid.**

Proposed by Councillor H King, the list of accounts paid, the Financial Statement and list of accounts to be paid were agreed.

28. **To consider extending the Wayfinding Project**

Proposed by Councillor P Duigan and seconded by Councillor L Monument it was agreed to extend the Wayfinding Project on the proviso that the Council is not agreeing to any specific additional individual items. That any proposed additional items will need to be brought back for discussion to the relevant Council committee.

29. **Exclusion of Press and public**

Proposed by Councillor H King, seconded by Councillor L Monument it was agreed to pass a resolution to exclude the Press and Public from the meeting on the grounds that the Business to be transacted is confidential and publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest.

30. **Update on Balance Score Card priorities**

Town Clerk Tony Needham gave a verbal update on the priorities list. It was felt that once progress was started on the staff handbook, it would be appropriate to reprioritise.

Chairman