

**COUNCIL**

18 October 2021

Minutes of the Council meeting held at the Town Hall, Bexhill-on-Sea on Monday 18 October 2021 at 5:30pm.

Committee Members present: Councillors B.J. Drayson (Chairman), J. Barnes, Mrs M.L. Barnes, C.A. Bayliss, R.K. Bird, T.J.C. Byrne, J.J. Carroll, S.J. Coleman, Mrs V. Cook, P.C. Courtel, G.C. Curtis, K.P. Dixon, Mrs D.C. Earl-Williams, S.J. Errington, K.M. Field, P.J. Gray, L. Hacking, K.M. Harmer (Vice-Chairman), C.A. Madeley, C.R. Maynard, A.S. Mier, M. Mooney, Rev H.J. Norton, D.B. Oliver, P.N. Osborne, S.M. Prochak, MBE, G.F. Stevens, R.B. Thomas, H.L. Timpe and J. Vine-Hall.

Advisory Officers in attendance: Chief Executive and Democratic Services Manager.

Also Present: 10 members of the public via the YouTube live broadcast.

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C21/43.      **CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS**

Whilst the meeting had been called to specifically deal with the Cabinet Recommendation to 'make' Battle's Neighbourhood Plan, the Chairman marked Friday's unlawful killing of Sir David Amess MP for Basildon with a minute's silence.

The Chairman advised that he had sent a letter of condolence to Sir David's family on behalf of Rother District Council's Members and Officers. He urged Members to be vigilant and make common sense arrangements when meeting with residents, especially those that were not known. The need to remain vigilant and to be aware of any potentially dangerous situations had sadly been with those in public life since the 2016 murder of Jo Cox, MP for Batley and Spen, this most recent attack was a shocking reminder of that need.

C21/44.      **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G.S. Browne C.A. Clark, A.E. Ganly, A.K. Jeeawon, J.M. Johnson and Mrs E.M. Kirby-Green.

C21/45.      **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

C21/46.

**TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF CABINET ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 4 OCTOBER 2021 REGARDING THE BATTLE CIVIL PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2019-2028.**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.1 (iv), this extraordinary meeting of full Council was convened to consider the report of Cabinet on the Battle Civil Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2019-2028.

It was moved by Councillor Field, local Member for North Battle, Netherfield and Whatlington and seconded by Councillor Oliver that the Battle Civil Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2019-2028 be approved and adopted. Members paid tribute to the work of Battle Town Council, their Neighbourhood Plan Committee and Rother Planning officers in producing the Neighbourhood Plan to complete the process and become part of the Council's Development Plan.

**RESOLVED:** That the Battle Civil Neighbourhood Development Plan 2019-2028 incorporating the Examiner's modifications, as presented to local Referendum, be "made" with immediate effect and form part of the Council's Development Plan.

**CHAIRMAN**

The Council rose at 5:35pm

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