

DEVIZES TOWN COUNCIL
29 OCTOBER 2009

Present: The Deputy Town Mayor (Councillor Smith)

Councillors:	Mrs Burton	Callow	East
	Evans	Mrs Evans	Gagen
	Gudgeon	Hopkins	Nash
	Parsons	A R Taylor	Mrs Taylor
	C S Winchcombe	Mrs Winchcombe	

Officers: Mrs Sarah Todhunter – Town Clerk
Mr Richard Hopkins – Admin & Finance Manager
Mrs Heather Bond

Members of the Public: Three

302. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 15 September 2009 having previously been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

303. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from the Town Mayor Councillor Leighton and Councillor Beinhorn.

304. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Nash declared an interest in minute number 311 as a Trustee of Devizes Carnival.

Councillor Parsons declared an interest in minute number 311 as a member of the Carnival committee.

305. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

306. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 15

None.

307. MINUTES OF MEETINGS FOR INFORMATION

The committee noted the list of meetings, whose minutes have been signed, held since the last meeting of the Council.

308. PROCEDURE: SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO 5

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Evans, seconded by Councillor Parsons and
RESOLVED

THAT For the purposes of dealing with the remaining items on the agenda, Standing Order No 5 (Members to stand when speaking) be suspended.

Councillors C S Winchcombe and Mrs Winchcombe entered the Council Chamber.

309. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – AUDITOR OF ACCOUNTS

The committee received and noted the report.

310. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – UPDATE ON CURRENT AND PROPOSED PROJECTS

The committee received and noted the report.

311. REPORT FOR DECISION – GRANT REQUEST, DEVIZES CARNIVAL

The Chairman invited Mr Buxton to speak to the committee on behalf of Devizes Carnival.

After much debate it was proposed by Councillor Mrs Taylor, seconded by Councillor Evans and agreed

THAT an additional £2000 would be added to the draft estimates for 2010/11 as a grant for Devizes Carnival.

Councillor Mrs Winchcombe declared an interest in minute number 312 and left the Council Chamber.

312. REPORT FOR DECISION – DEVIZES HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY RADIO

The Chairman invited Mr Alan Trustcott to speak to the committee on behalf of Devizes Hospital and Community Radio.

It was proposed by Councillor Parsons, seconded by Councillor Nash and agreed

THAT £1,000 is allocated to Devizes Hospital and Community Radio from reserves for 2009/2010.

Councillor Mrs Winchcombe returned to the Council Chamber.

313. REPORT FOR DECISION – DREWS POND WOOD PROJECT GRANT

It was proposed by Councillor Evans, seconded by Councillor C S Winchcombe and agreed

THAT £500 be included in the draft estimates for 2010/11, but that Drews Pond Wood Project contact Roundway Parish Council and requesting funding.

314. REPORT FOR DECISION – ANNUAL GRANTS

It was proposed by Councillor Evans, seconded by Councillor East and agreed

THAT the Council agrees to the following allocations of monies in the 2010/11 draft estimates.

Devizes Development Partnership	£7,500
Wiltshire Archaeological and Natural History Society	£3,000

315. REPORT FOR DECISION – GRANT REQUEST FROM ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Winchcombe, seconded by Councillor Mrs Burton and UNANIMOUSLY agreed

THAT the Council agrees to the £500 placed in the draft estimates for 2010/11 to support additional plaques to be added to the War Memorial to commemorate the name of servicemen killed since 1939.

316. REPORT FOR DECISION – DRAFT ESTIMATES FOR 2010/2011

After much discussion it was proposed by Councillor Evans, seconded by Councillor Mrs Taylor and agreed

THAT an additional £1,000 is added the general grants cost heading increasing the total amount for 2010/11 to £3,000.

317. COMMON SEAL

It was proposed by Councillor Parsons, seconded by Councillor Gudgeon and agreed

THAT the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to or the Town Clerk do sign on behalf of the Council where appropriate any Orders, Deeds or Documents necessary to give effect to any of the matters and recommendations contained in the reports received and adopted at this meeting or other decisions of the Council thereat.

318. QUESTION TIME

Councillor C S Winchcombe asked what progress was being made by the Joint Burial Committee regarding the issue of disabled access in the cemetery. The Town Clerk replied that she would investigate and bring an answer back to the appropriate committee.

319. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were 3 members of the public present.

CHAIRMAN