



Wallingford Town Council

**MINUTES**  
**of the meeting of the**  
**TOURISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**  
**on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 at 7.00pm**  
**at Wallingford Town Hall**

**Present**

**Members:** Councillor Dan Beauchamp  
Councillor Giles Cattermole  
Councillor Paul Gibbon  
Councillor Marcus Harris (The Mayor)  
Councillor Nigel Hughes (Chairman)  
Councillor Deborah Whelan

**Officers:** Luke Whitcomb, Meetings Officer

**Others:** 1 member of the public was present

**40/22** **MEETING PROTOCOL**

The Chairman advised attendees of the protocol for this meeting.

**41/22** **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Keats-Rohan, the Town Clerk and Mrs Sue Ross of the Town Information Centre.

Councillor Sinkinson did not attend.

**42/22** **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

No interests were declared.

**43/22** **MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor Whelan, and seconded by Councillor Cattermole, and

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Tourism and Economic Development Committee held on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 are a true and accurate record of that meeting, and the Chairman is authorised to sign them

**44/22** **ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

All actions from the previous meeting had been completed.

45/22

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

One member of the public attended and reported that Wallingford in Business were keen to be involved in activities to mark Christmas 2022 and had booked the Town Hall the previous Thursday evening for a meeting to discuss this, but that no-one from the Council had turned up to open the building.

**Action:** Office to investigate what had happened

46/22

**COMMUNITY, BUSINESS AND TOURISM DEVELOPMENT OFFICER**

Councillor Beauchamp reported on the progress to date for the recruitment of this role.

47/22

**THE WOMEN'S TOUR**

The Committee considered The Women's Tour which would be briefly passing Wallingford on the afternoon of 11<sup>th</sup> June 2022 as part of the sixth and final stage. The event was being televised. Local business owners had been notified of the event by the District Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Cattermole, and seconded by Councillor Whelan, and

**RESOLVED** that a branded, re-usable 'Welcome to Wallingford' banner be created and hung, provided the Town Clerk is agreeable, and that action be taken to alert those who normally park on the High Street outside the Kincroft and the Museum, of the event.

**Action:** Office to action above items

48/22

**RIVERSIDE WORKING PARTY**

Councillors Cattermole and Whelan updated the meeting on the Riverside Working Party, including the cost of replacing the cast-iron mooring cleats, engagement with River Users' Group 3, contact with the Centre for Ecology & Hydrology, the erosion of the beach, the potential expansion of the moorings to the north and the flotilla that would be part of The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

It was proposed by Councillor Hughes, and seconded by Councillor Whelan, and

**RESOLVED** that the approval of the cost of replacing the cast-iron mooring cleats – likely to be in the region of £1k - be sought from the Full Council

**49/22**

**FILMING**

Councillor Cattermole raised the issue of investing in the Market Place to facilitate the filming of historic dramas, for example the easy removal of modern objects.

It was proposed by Councillor Hughes, and seconded by Councillor Harris, and

**RESOLVED** that the costs of doing this be investigated

**Action: Office to investigate what would be involved and the costs**

**50/22**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The following were identified as items for future meetings:

- Election of Committee's Chairman
- Curfew bell celebrations (Councillor Gibbon to report)
- Wallingford brochure
- Market administration
- Young Traders' Market
- Widening the Town Centre to include some of St Martin's Street on market days
- Tourism South East
- Christmas

The meeting ended at 7.47pm

Minutes of the  
Tourism & Economic Development Committee  
23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022,  
signed as a correct record

Chairman