

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Council held at the Town Hall, Rye, on
Monday 8 July 2019**

PRESENT Councillors David Bookless, Mike Boyd (**Mayor**), John Breeds, Cheryl Creaser, Rebekah Gilbert (**Deputy Mayor**), Chris Hoggart, Pat Hughes, Jo Kirkham, Ian Potter, Andi Rivett, Sam Souster, Andy Stuart, Sam Wood

IN ATTENDANCE Richard Farhall - Town Clerk; Jessica Neame - Deputy Town Clerk Designate; John Minter – *Rye News*.

The meeting commenced at 7.13pm.

61 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence – and the reasons as lodged with the Clerk – were accepted from Cllrs Lord Amphill and Jonathan Breeds.

62 CODE OF CONDUCT

There were no disclosures of interest nor requests for dispensation.

63 COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED To adopt, as an accurate record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 24 June 2019 (C5).

64 COMMITTEE MINUTES

RESOLVED To receive the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Townscape Committee held on 24 June 2019 (PT03).

65 FINANCE

a) **Town Hall Expenditure**

RESOLVED To receive and approve/ratify expenditure for April-May 2019.

b) **Town Hall Budget Report**

RESOLVED To receive and note the Budget Report to 31 May 2019.

c) **Earmarked Reserves**

RESOLVED To receive and note the Statement of Earmarked Reserves as at 31.5.19.

d) **Account Balances**

RESOLVED To receive and note the Statement of Account Balances as at 31.5.19.

66 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 (1)(2), to exclude the public and press from the item following on the grounds that it has the potential to impact on staff conditions of employment and/or involve discussion on the terms for the disposal of property.

67 GENERAL RESERVE

Members were invited to give further consideration towards identifying ways by which to increase the Council's General Reserve.

It was noted that any receipts obtained from the sale of land (including the property on the land) can be used for capital expenditure or repaying borrowing only.

RESOLVED 1 To note the Society of Local Council Clerks' guidance on the disposal of land (including public open space).

RESOLVED 2 To seek to obtain a free valuation of one of the Council's busts. **Clerk**

RESOLVED 3 To obtain appropriate valuations for the land adjacent to 7 Wish Ward. **Clerk**

RESOLVED 4 To review the holding of other assets at future Council meetings. **Clerk**

The meeting ended at 7.30pm

Date Chairman