



**FLEET TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**

**held on**

**Wednesday 5 February 2014**  
**at The Harlington at 7.30pm**

**PRESENT**

**Councillors** Bob Schofield (Chairman), Chris Axam, Chris Butler, Grahame Chenery, Paul Einchcomb, Steve Forster, Denis Gotel, Leslie Holt, Alan Hope, Alan Oliver, Dai Pierce, Helen Perthen, Richard Robinson, Sue Tilley, Wallace Vincent, George Woods

**Also Present**

Janet Stanton, Deputy Town Clerk  
Sheila Rayner, Committee Clerk

Cllr Bennison-HDC  
Cllr Evans-HDC  
Cllr Parker-HDC

Mike Bye-Friends of Oakley Park  
Dave Harrison-Friends of Basingbourne

11 members of the public

**ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Cllrs Appleton, Fisher, Lewis

**ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest

**ITEM 3 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

The Friends of Basingbourne representative asked when the work to paths in Basingbourne was likely to commence . The Chairman confirmed that the work would not be carried out until the weather had improved and the area had dried out. The proposed route of the works would be supplied to the Friends of Basingbourne representative.

#### **ITEM 4            MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 8 January 2014 were signed as a correct record and it was agreed that the date of the Annual Residents' Meeting would be amended to be held on Monday 31 March, 2014.

The Council received the minutes of the following committee meetings:

Development Control 13, 27 January 2014

Policy and Finance 8 January 2014

Establishment Sub Committee 13 January 2014 (consideration of the minutes taken later in the meeting)

RLA 15 January 2014

#### **ITEM 5            PRESENTATION ON AIRSPACE CHANGE PROPOSAL**

The Chairman introduced representatives of TAG Farnborough Airport who made a presentation on an Airspace Change proposal.

Brandon O'Reilly CEO  
Roger Walker Director of Airport Operations  
Miles Thomas Environmental Manager  
Kel Kirkland National Air Traffic Services (NATS)  
Denise Watson NATS

Kel Kirkland explained that an airspace change proposal had been planned for a number of years following the 2010 public consultation on a planning application. There was a commitment to address the impact of the planning permission on the surrounding area with a view to planes flying in a different direction to reduce noise levels.

The airspace change proposal was now to be the subject of a public consultation exercise for a period of 13 weeks (3 February-2 May 2014)

It was explained that the proposal was detailed and complex and

- followed the Civil Aviation Authority process
- followed a lengthy design and simulation period
- consulted stakeholders
- was subject to public consultation

Mr Kirkland explained why it was necessary to make the changes and gave an overview of the expected benefits. He then gave a detailed explanation of the proposed new departure and arrival routes which resulted in planes gaining/losing height much more quickly and thus bringing a significant noise reduction. In summary aircraft will generally be flying higher than at present in a more concentrated area.

Opportunities were available to submit comments at [www.consultation.tagfarnboroughairport.com](http://www.consultation.tagfarnboroughairport.com)

Councillors and members of the public asked a range of questions regarding controlled airspace, Heathrow capacity issues, the proposed long term increase from 24,000 to 50,000 movements, size of aircraft, the effect of the London Airspace Management project and European legislation etc.

It was explained that following public consultation the submitted comments would be analysed and fed into the final draft design which would be submitted to the CAA for approval and final decision.

The Chairman thanked the TAGFarnborough Airport team for their attendance and explanation of the Airspace change proposal.

#### **ITEM 6 CLLLLR LEWIS**

The members considered a report that explained that as Cllr Lewis had not attended any meeting of the Council since 17 July 2013, she had, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, automatically ceased to be a member of the Town Council.

#### **RESOLVED**

A vacancy on the Ancells Ward be declared and that the position be left vacant until the May 2014 local election.

#### **ITEM 7 PANTOMINME**

The members **RESOLVED** to waive Standing Orders to allow the consideration of a report which had been made available to members on 5 February 2014.

##### **a) Pantomime 2013**

The members considered a report on the outturn figures for the 2013 Pantomime which showed a rough break even position with a small profit of £2693. There was unanimous congratulations to the officers for the success of the event with a request that the detail of 'venue costs £3,8730' be circulated by email to all members for information

##### **b) Pantomime 2014**

The members considered a proposal to co-produce a production of Cinderella in December 2014 and build on the success achieved during 2013. The budget is expected to be similar to the 2013 production cost, but with an increase in cast and crew wages to reflect an additional 11 shows. The 2014 budget will be agreed by Fleet Town Council and the Producer and will be signed off by the Producer and Fleet Town Council.

It was noted that income is expected to be considerably higher in 2014 due to a slight increase in ticket price, less ticket offers, a higher capacity and 11 additional performances.

#### **RESOLVED**

To agree to the proposal in principle to co-produce a production of 'Cinderella' in December 2014 but with rigorous budget scrutiny.

**ITEM 7(a) NOMINATION OF TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO SIT ON HART DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATIVE CAR PARKING WORKING PARTY**

The Chairman explained that FTC had been invited to appoint representatives to serve on the Hart car park working party.

**RESOLVED** that Cllrs Forster and Gotel be appointed to serve on the **Hart** car park working party

**ITEM 7(b) LOCAL BUS SERVICES-REQUEST TO HDC SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

There was a general discussion about the unsatisfactory manner in which routes and times of bus services were changed . However the general view was that the Hart Scrutiny Committee was not the appropriate forum in which to discuss this matter . It was however agreed that the concerns of FTC should be raised direct with the bus operator and it was

**RESOLVED** that the bus operator should be invited to make a presentation to the Highways and Transportation Partnership .

**ITEM 8 CLERK'S REPORT**

The Town Clerk was unwell so a report was not available. However it was reported orally that the Open Day at Ancells regarding the 3G football facility had been attended by over 200 people and the consultation period was due to close on 15 February 2014. The result of the consultation would be reported to Council on 5 March 2014.

It was also reported that the Hampshire Crime and Police Commissioner would make a presentation on Friday 7 February 2014 in the Council Chamber of Hart District Council at 7pm to which all members were invited.

**ITEM 9 HDC/HCC UPDATE**

It was reported that the HDC Chief Executive had announced his retirement to take effect on 4 July 2014.

**ITEM 10 FLEET FUTURE**

A report on progress was considered together with the proposed report to the HDC Cabinet on 6 February 2014 regarding the Town Plan. It was noted that 2 FTC members could be appointed to Fleet Future after the Elections in May 2014

**Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Exclusion of the public in accordance with Section 1(2) and by reason of the confidential nature of the business of the Establishment Sub Committee, the Public and Press will be excluded from the Meeting.**

**ITEM 11 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ESTABLISHMENT SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON 13 JANUARY 2014**

With the addition of the words 'in employment on 1 April 2012 and still in the Council's employment ' at the end of the first sentence of the recommendations it was

**RESOLVED** to adopt the recommendations of the Establishment Sub Committee held on 13 January 2014

**ITEM 12 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 5 March 2014 at 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45 pm

**Signed:**..... **Date**.....

**Chairman**