

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
SEVENOAKS TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES
ON MONDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2016 AT 7:10 P.M.**

SEVENOAKS IN BLOOM PRESENTATION

Prior to the meeting of the Town Council, the Mayor of Sevenoaks, Cllr Andrew Eyre thanked the many people, organisations, Mr Adrian Cheeseman, Open Spaces Manager and everybody involved for all their time and hard work around the Town, which helped Sevenoaks Town achieve:

- Gold award for Vine Gardens
- Silver Gilt for Town Centre
- Bronze for Upper High Street Gardens

The judges were also impressed with the children's wheelbarrows.

The Mayor presented framed certificates to:

- St Thomas's School, runner up for Schools Wheelbarrow competition joint sponsored by Coolings Garden Centres and Sevenoaks Town Council
- Adrian Cheeseman, flower bed at the Bus Station and Sevenoaks Mainline Station
- Neal's Yard, garden of tranquillity
- Little Garden Restaurant, beautiful garden oasis midst town centre
- Rockdale Housing Association, gardens offering peace and tranquillity to residents and visitors
- Sevenoaks School for their formally sculptured and carefully tended gardens

Separate arrangements will be made for the Mayor to present awards to the following who could not be present:

Schools Wheelbarrow Competition	
Lady Boswells	Engraved prize/certificate
Sevenoaks Primary School	Certificate
The Granville	Certificate
Certificates of Excellence	
House in the Basement	Certificate
Little Vine Nursery	Certificate

Present:

Cllrs: A Eyre (Mayor), M A Chakowa (Deputy Mayor),
N J L Busvine, J M Canet, A S Clayton, R M C Hogarth, O Schneider, S G Raikes,
and Mrs P C Walshe (9)

Also Present:

Chief Executive/Town Clerk
Committee Clerk
18 Members of the public

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: No questions received from members of the public

252 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED: apologies received from Cllr S L Arnold, Cllr Mrs R E Parry,
Cllr R J Parry, Cllr E Parson, Cllr R L Piper, Cllr P E Towell and Cllr E T Waite be
noted and accepted

253 DISPENSATION

There were no requests for Dispensation

254 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were none.

255 MINUTES - TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27TH JUNE 2016

RESOLVED: To receive, adopt and sign the Minutes as being a true record of events.

256 MINUTES - PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

RESOLVED: to receive and adopt the Minutes of the meetings held on 4th and 18th July, 1st, 15th and 30th August and 12th and 26th September 2016 as being true records of events.

257 MINUTES – FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

RESOLVED: to receive and adopt the Minutes of the meetings held on 27th June, 25th July and 5th September 2016 as being true records of events.

258 MINUTES – OPEN SPACES AND LEISURE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

RESOLVED: to receive and adopt the Minutes of the meetings held on 11th July and 19th September 2016 as being true records of events.

259 MINUTES – COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

RESOLVED: to receive and adopt the Minutes of the meetings held on 11th July and 19th September 2016 as being true records of events.

260 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS [NALC] STAR COUNCIL OF THE YEAR

RESOLVED: To note that Sevenoaks Town Council was one of three finalists out of 9000 town & parish councils nationally being put forward by NALC for the Star Council of the Year Award.

261 CIVIC EVENTS

RESOLVED: to receive and note the Mayor's Engagements to date. The Mayor thanked the Deputy Mayor and other Members who had assisted in attending in his stead.

262 PRESS RELEASE

RESOLVED: a press release be issued regarding the South & South East in Bloom Awards to the Town Council and the presentations made to all who had taken part in achieving the award for Sevenoaks Town.

There being no further business the Mayor closed the Meeting at 7:21pm.

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Mayor of Sevenoaks

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