

**Minutes of the Annual Town Assembly for the Town of Ringwood  
held on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 7.00pm  
at Ringwood Gateway, The Furlong, Ringwood**

**Present:** Cllr Tim Ward – Chairman and Town Mayor  
(and entitled Cllr Phil Day – Deputy Town Mayor  
to vote) Cllr Andy Briers  
Cllr Hilary Edge  
Cllr Christine Ford  
Cllr Jeremy Heron  
Cllr Darren Loose  
Cllr Anne Murphy  
Cllr Gloria O'Reilly  
Cllr Tony Ring  
Cllr Steve Rippon-Swaine  
Cllr Michael Thierry  
Cllr Chris Treleaven  
Cllr Angela Wiseman  
Nicola Vodden – Meetings Administrator  
plus 4 members of the public

**In Attendance:** Chris Wilkins – Town Clerk  
Jo Hurd – Deputy Town Clerk

*No apologies were received.*

*The Town Mayor welcomed those present to the Annual Town Assembly.*

**1. To Approve the Minutes of the Last Meeting**

The Minutes of the Annual Town Assembly held on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017 were approved.

**2. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

There were none.

**3. To Receive the Annual Report of the Town Mayor**

Cllr Tim Ward presented his report. The full report is attached as *Annex A*.

**4. To Receive the Reports of Committee Chairmen**

The Committee Chairmen presented their reports:-

Cllr Treleaven, Chairman of the Planning, Town & Environment Committee presented his report. The full report is attached as *Annex B*.

Cllr Briers, Chairman of the Recreation, Leisure & Open Spaces Committee presented his report. The full report is attached as *Annex C*.

Cllr Heron, Chairman of the Policy & Finance Committee presented his report. The full report is attached as *Annex D*.

**5. To Receive the Accounts from the Parochial Charity**

Cllr Heron, as a trustee of Ringwood United Charities, explained that traditionally accounts had been presented at this meeting, however in the last few years this had proved difficult. As the accounts were required to be audited, there was a delay in their availability and this was the case again this year. He indicated that the accounts would be submitted to the Council, once they are produced (*Annex E – to follow*).

He reported that investments remain constant and no reserves have been called on. Over the year, income of £36,000 had been received and there had been expenditure of £10,000. Expenditure items had been identified for the forthcoming year, which included repairs to a vacant flat and some works in relation to the chimney pots.

**6. To Consider Any Other Item of Business by Permission of the Town Mayor**

Cllr Rippon-Swaine wished to mention the recent street party for the Royal Wedding on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018. He commented that the organisation of the event had been complex and very much congratulated all of the people involved. A photograph had made it into The Times newspaper and it was believed to have been the largest street party outside of Windsor.

Cllr Day added his thanks to the Members who joined him in making the day happen:- Cllrs Briers, Edge, Heron and Ward. Particular thanks went to Cllr Ring who took responsibility for approaching local businesses for sponsorship. He expected that the event would see an overall surplus of around £800. It had been a lot of hard work, but seeing people staying the whole afternoon had made it all worthwhile. He concluded by saying "Thank you Ringwood for making it a great day".

The Town Mayor closed the meeting at 7.28pm.