

WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL (ACTING AS TRUSTEE OF THE EWART BEQUEST TRUST) - 14 DECEMBER 2021

(To be read in conjunction with the Agenda for the Meeting)

**Present**

Cllr John Robini (Mayor)	Cllr Joan Heagin
Cllr John Ward (Deputy Mayor)	Cllr Val Henry
Cllr Brian Adams	Cllr George Hesse
Cllr Christine Baker	Cllr Chris Howard
Cllr David Beaman	Cllr Anna James
Cllr Roger Blishen	Cllr Penny Marriott
Cllr Peter Clark	Cllr Peter Marriott
Cllr Carole Cockburn	Cllr Mark Merryweather
Cllr Martin D'Arcy	Cllr Stephen Mulliner
Cllr Jerome Davidson	Cllr John Neale
Cllr Kevin Deanus	Cllr Peter Nicholson
Cllr Simon Dear	Cllr Nick Palmer
Cllr Sally Dickson	Cllr Ruth Reed
Cllr Patricia Ellis	Cllr Paul Rivers
Cllr David Else	Cllr Penny Rivers
Cllr Jenny Else	Cllr Richard Seaborne
Cllr Paul Follows	Cllr Liz Townsend
Cllr Mary Forszyski	Cllr Philip Townsend
Cllr Maxine Gale	Cllr Steve Williams
Cllr Michael Goodridge	Cllr George Wilson

**Apologies**

Cllr Steve Cosser, Cllr Brian Edmonds, Cllr Jan Floyd-Douglass, Cllr John Gray, Cllr Daniel Hunt, Cllr Peter Isherwood, Cllr Jacquie Keen, Cllr Robert Knowles, Cllr Andy MacLeod, Cllr Michaela Martin, Cllr Peter Martin, Cllr Kika Mirylees, Cllr Julia Potts, Cllr Anne-Marie Rosoman, Cllr Trevor Sadler and Cllr Michaela Wicks

5 MINUTES (Agenda item 1)

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2021 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

6 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda item 2)

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Steve Cosser, Jan Floyd-Douglass, Brian Edmonds, John Gray, Daniel Hunt, Peter Isherwood, Jacquie Keen, Robert Knowles, Kika Mirylees, Andy MacLeod, Michaela Martin, Peter Martin, Anne-Marie Rosoman, Trevor Sadler and Michaela Wicks.

7 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (Agenda item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

8 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021 (Agenda item 4)

Cllr Mark Merryweather presented the Annual Financial Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 and the independent examiners report which had been circulated separately.

Waverley Borough Council, as sole Trustee of the Joseph Ewart Bequest, was required to approve the Annual Financial Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021. The Trust owned a number of houses in the Farnham area which were held principally for elderly people with limited financial resources. The Trust operated these through Waverley's Housing Management Team. In December 2011, the Council as sole Trustee approved a delegation to the Waverley Executive acting as Trustee to make all decisions on behalf of the full Trustee, the only exception being the approval of the annual report and financial statements because it was a requirement of the Charity Commission that this be approved by the Council acting as Trustee.

The accounts had been prepared in accordance with the Charities Code of Practice and had been externally examined by Azets Audit Services Limited, and their report was attached to the supplementary papers. The reserves level was healthy and much of this was earmarked for further development which had been approved by the Trust and the council. There were no specific matters to report to the Trustee and the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 were recommended for approval.

**RESOLVED that the Annual Financial Report and Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2021, be approved.**

**The meeting commenced at 9.40 pm and concluded at 9.43 pm**

**Chairman**