

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT WELLS TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2008**

**PRESENT:** Cllr C Borastero (Mayor)  
Cllrs D Anderson, M Brandon, T Butt Philip, L Byrne,  
S Davies, N Kennedy, J Nicholas, J North, J Osman,  
J Parkes, C Price, T Robbins, H Siggs and D Unwin.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** The Town Clerk

**INFORMAL SESSION**

Mr Alastair Glanville deputising for the Mayor's Chaplain led prayers for the guidance and blessing of the new Mayor preserving the dignity of the office and the friendliness of the City.

**FORMAL SESSION**

**08/058C APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The apologies received from Cllr Robertson were noted

**08/059C DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

No declarations were made.

**08/060C REPORT FROM POLICE**

PC Page reported on 161 tickets issued since April. Members thanked him for issuing tickets to vehicles blocking dropped kerbs, closing a drug den and controlling public behaviour on the Recreation Ground. Inspector Hulin reported on overall crime reduction in West Mendip of 20% and 19.8% in Wells itself. More drug related warrants had been executed than anywhere else in Somerset. PACT meetings had identified those issues which impacted on quality of life and were being prioritised. Issues raised by the night time economy were now dealt with in numbers. The Inspector was thanked for data relating to the success of CCTV. PCSO Alexander Thwaite introduced himself to members.

**08/061C MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL** held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2008.

Cllr Siggs moved the adoption of the minutes which was unanimously resolved.

**08/062C MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

No matters arose from the minutes.

**08/063C CORRESPONDENCE**

The schedule was noted along with the progress relating to the lease of the Film Centre.

**08/064C REPORTS OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES AND COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Cllr Brandon reported on the review of housing at the District Council and Cllr Osman reported on consultation about later County elections, the resolution of issues relating to a local care home and the conclusion of the Local Area Agreement which could have had more about working with parish councils.

- 08/065C MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2008.  
Cllr Siggs presented the minutes and moved their adoption which was **resolved**
- 08/066C MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2008 and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2008.  
Cllr Kennedy presented the minutes and moved their adoption as necessary which was **resolved**.
- 08/067C APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE AS REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**  
Members were appointed in accordance with the list annexed
- 08/068C APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2008**  
It was proposed by Cllr Brandon and **resolved** that the accounts and statement for the period concerned be approved and signed as necessary.
- 08/069C ITEMS OF URGENT REPORT**  
After some discussion it was agreed that the matter of the use of the City arms on a notice board be referred to the next meeting of the Finance Committee for discussion at the next full City Council meeting at the end of July.