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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CHARTER TRUSTEES
HELD IN WYCOMBE DISTRICT COUNCIL CHAMBER
ON TUESDAY, 11th JUNE 2019**

The meeting began at 6.00pm

Present

Cllrs: Maz Hussain (Mayor), Khalil Ahmed, Zia Ahmed, Mohammed Asif, Andrea Baughan, Ray Farmer, Sebert Graham, Tony Green, Mohammed Hanif, Abdullah Hashmi, Alan Hill, Arif Hussain, Mahboob Hussain, Matt Knight, Brian Pearce, Rafiq Raja, Sarfaraz Khan Raja, Julia Wassell.
William Reid (Town Clerk)

Apologies

Cllrs: Lesley Clarke OBE, Marten Clarke and Nigel Teesdale

1. The meeting commences

The meeting began with prayers by Rev Paul Aylett.

2. Civic Service Sunday, 12th May 2019

The attendance for this event was very poor. Only 9 Charter Trustees were in attendance. The Town Clerk reiterated a point he had made at previous meetings reminding the Charter Trustees that they had all agreed to support the Mayor at Civic Events.

3. Mayor Making 2019

All Charter Trustees agreed it had been a successful day. Suggestions for future events included:

- a) Could we provide more publicity? A suggestion was made that we should send an invite to local schools. We could make better use of social media. Be more positive about photographers inside the barrier.
- b) A point was raised about members of the public joining the Mayor's procession. This was a particular difficulty during the procession from the Guildhall to Frogmoor and again from Frogmoor back to the Town Hall. Perhaps some stewards could be appointed.

- c) Should we revert to holding the event on Thursday evening outside the Guildhall? There was some doubt about the number of members of the community attending. Some Charter Trustees thought it was a better attendance at the Guildhall but perhaps it seemed more as they were within a smaller area.

4. Future of the Mayoralty

Charter Trustee Tony Green advised he was a member of the Shadow Board for the new authority. His view was that the Charter Trustees would carry on as now.

Many Charter Trustees offered their views but it was finally agreed that we should call an early Charter Trustee meeting with this topic as the only item on the agenda. The Town Clerk, as an independent voice, was asked to find out the legal position with regard to Charter Trustees under the new Bucks Authority.

A task and finish group have been discussing this. Members of this team are: Marten Clarke (Chairman), Zia Ahmed, Tony Green, Rafiq Raja and Julia Wassell.

The Town Clerk will ask if he may attend the next meeting of this group which is planned for Monday 17th June 2019.

5. Future Events

A Civic Service High Wycombe Parish Church – date to be agreed.
Remembrance Day on Sunday, 10th November 2019

6. Date of next meeting

Tuesday, 10th September 2019 at 6.00pm