

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF ELECTORS OF ROYAL
LEAMINGTON SPA HELD ON 29TH APRIL 2021 AT 6.00PM**

The meeting was held remotely due to the ongoing Covid Pandemic situation.

Present: The Mayor (Councillor S Rasmussen), Councillors Janet Alty, Alan Boad, Sarah Boad, Julija Boulton, David Brunson, Mubarik Chowdry, Judith Clarke, Bill Gifford, Jennifer McAllister, Louisa Radice, and Amanda Stevens (all Royal Leamington Spa Town Council).

There were approximately 10 members of the public in attendance (virtually).

1. APOLOGIES

The following apologies for absence were noted:

Cllr Will Bryce (Royal Leamington Spa Town Council)

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Annual Town Assembly held on 8th April 2019 are confirmed as a true record.

3. TOWN COUNCIL REPORT / UPDATE

The Town Clerk of Royal Leamington Spa Town Council delivered a short presentation providing an overview of the Town Council's activities during the past year, noting the impact of the Covid19 pandemic on both the Town Council and the wider community.

The Town Council's Democratic Support Officer provided a short presentation on the Leamington Spa Neighbourhood Plan and the forthcoming Neighbourhood Plan referendum.

A number of questions were asked about the Neighbourhood Plan and responded to. It was noted that further information was available on the specific Leamington Neighbourhood Plan website.

4. OPEN FORUM

The chair invited attendees to identify any issues that they wished to raise.

Several attendees raised concerns about the current proposals and associated planning application for Newbold Comyn. It was requested that the Town Council consider making representations to Warwick District Council regarding the proposals and potentially proposing that the planning application be withdrawn. It was also suggested that the Town Council seek to facilitate a meeting with Warwick District Council.

It was noted that this was not a meeting of the Town Council and therefore the Town Council could not conduct business. It would need to be dealt with at suitable meetings of the Town Council.

An alternative viewpoint was given by a member of the public in attendance, suggesting that there was a lot of support for the proposals.

The meeting concluded at approximately 18:55.