



# Macclesfield Town Council

## 2018 ANNUAL MACCLESFIELD PARISH MEETING

Held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018 commencing at 6.00 p.m. at Macclesfield Town Hall Market Place, Macclesfield

The statutory Annual Parish Meeting is an occasion for members of the public to ask questions, make comments and raise issues of interest to the town.

This can be done in 2 ways: -

1. By submitting a resolution to be discussed at the Town Meeting. Written notice of the resolution must be submitted to the Town Clerk prior to the meeting. If the resolution is passed, the Town Council is obliged to consider the matter at a subsequent meeting.
2. By participating and speaking to the Town Meeting.

### MINUTES

1. Apologies for absence.  
Cllr Martin Hardy; Cllr Janet Jackson
2. Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017  
Noted
3. To consider resolutions of which written notice has been given.  
There were 2 submitted proposals:  
From L Braithwaite (Central Ward)
  - i. Applications for funding of any kind from Macclesfield Town Council including Grant applications and spending plans for projects (e.g. train station art) should be published on the MTC website at least 2 weeks before the full council or sub-committee meeting at which they are to be decided. Anything that misses this deadline is to be deferred to the next meeting. This will allow any Macclesfield Town resident to either attend the relevant meeting or to make their views known via their elected representatives. Detailed budget information should be published, for example the 2017/18 budget shows the ratio of spending in a pie chart but no actual figures.  
In addition, the project completion reports required by the Grants Policy should be published on the website.

This proposal was successful by a show hands of those present and eligible to vote:

8 in favour of the proposal



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3 abstentions.

By merit of voting, the proposal will be heard by Macclesfield Town Council at the next available meeting.

- ii. The second proposal is associated with the first one. The MTC Website is difficult to navigate and has no clear identity (not even a town logo), especially when viewed on different platforms (see example below). The content is lacking in detail. I propose that the MTC website is completely overhauled to use a simpler format e.g. similar to Crewe town council, and enough server space is purchased/leased to enable financial information, SLAs, draft minutes, project proposals etc. to be loaded. A Search function would improve navigation.

This proposal was withdrawn by the resident on the understanding that the website was under review and the contents of the proposal would be included in the current review of the website.

4. To receive reports from parishioners (Discussion and Open Forum).

None submitted

Meeting closed at 18.43  
Chair Cllr Beverley Dooley

Convened by the Mayor of Macclesfield, Cllr Beverley Dooley