



**BRIDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL (BTC)**  
**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 20th May 2026**  
**in the Town Council Offices, 2A Marshall Avenue, Bridlington at 6pm**

The meeting was held with Councillors Rick Arrand, John Arthur, Mike Heslop-Mullens, Cyril Marsburg, Thelma Milns, Tim Norman, Ray Pollard, Andy Walker & Angela Walker total of nine (9) in the room.

Three (3) Members of the Public were present at the meeting.

The Deputy Town Clerk recorded the minutes.

Administrative Officer (HJ)t was in attendance.

**01.26/27** Mayors Welcome (with notification of recordings and Fire disclaimer)

**RESOLVED:** *The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the disclaimers and fire warnings.*

**02.26/27** Election of the Mayor of Bridlington for the Council Year 2026-2027:

**RESOLVED:** *Councillor Mike Heslop-Mullens was proposed and seconded for the position, there were no other nominations and following a vote Cllr Mike Heslop-Mullens was duly elected as Mayor for the year 2026/27 by majority decision.*

**03.26/27** Declaration of acceptance of office by the Mayor of Bridlington:

**RESOLVED:** *Cllr Mike Heslop-Mullens read out and signed the declaration of office this was also signed by the Deputy Town clerk.*

**04.26/27** To receive apologies for absence:

**RESOLVED:** *Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr Liam Dealtry for illness and Cllr Malcolm Milns for illness.*

**05.26/27** The Mayor's announcement of the Mayoress/consort and charity for the Council year 2026-27:

**RESOLVED:** *The Mayor will have no consort for the year and the charity for the year will be the Spotlight Theatre.*

**06.26/27** The outgoing Mayor's report on civic duties and departing speech:

**RESOLVED:** *the Mayor read out her outgoing speech (below). The outgoing Mayor presented all Councillors with a carved wooden mouse from the Priory Church.*

*Cllr Angela Walker outgoing speech 2026-27*

*Serving as mayor of Bridlington has been one of the greatest honours of my life. To be chosen to represent the town where I was born and live to serve the people has been both humbling and deeply rewarding for me with the help and support of my husband Graham and my family. Through my many engagements I reflect with gratitude to the people we have met: Mr & Mrs George from Hawaii, children from the local schools, Remembrance Sunday to mention just a few. All these engagements have given me a deeper appreciation of the dedication, compassion, and resilience that exists within our community.*

*My chosen charities New pasture Lane Bread shed and MND association we raised an amazing £6,467.42 with £3,000 to each of the above the remainder shared between Spotlight Theatre and The Harbourside Theatre. This amount would not have been possible without the invaluable help of everyone and generous donations for which I am eternally grateful.*

*As my Mayoral year comes to a close, I reflect with gratitude on the people I have met, the causes I have supported, and the experiences that have shaped this journey. I would like to sincerely thank Deputy Town Clerk Nicola Vickers, RFO Victoria Exon and staff in the office for organising my diary, offering advice and support throughout my year. In January this year Deputy Mayor*

*Councillor Ray Pollard sadly passed away, his passing was deeply felt by me and my fellow Councillors. I would like to thank Deputy Mayor Councillor Mike Heslop-Mullens for his support during the past few months and also the Councillors for giving me this opportunity by electing me as Mayor, they all work tirelessly for the people of Bridlington. Thank you to Simon Kench from the Echo for reporting on my stories,*

*I would also like to wish my successor, Cllr Mike Heslop-Mullens an amazing year and hope you enjoy it as much as we have.*

*Councillor Angie Walker  
Old Town Councillor  
Mayor Bridlington 2025-2026*

**07.26/27** The election of the Deputy Mayor for the Council year 2026 -2027:

***RESOLVED:*** *Councillor Rick Arrand was proposed and seconded, there were no other nominations, following a vote Cllr Arrand was duly elected by unanimous vote.*

**08.26/27** The Deputy Mayor's announcement of Deputy Mayoress/consort for the Council year 2026-27:

***RESOLVED:*** *Cllr Rick Arrand announced Mrs Kim Arrand would be his Deputy Mayoress*

**Signed:**

Mayor of Bridlington

**Date:**