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**Berkeley Town Council
Meeting held on
Monday 16th February 2015 in the
Town Hall, Berkeley at
7.30 p.m.**

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