



Minutes of the Meeting of Sandown Town Council at the Broadway Centre, Sandown, Isle of Wight  
PO33 6GG on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** - Cllr Mereweather (Mayor), Cllr Teasdale, Cllr Young, Cllr P Lightfoot,  
Cllr Andre, Cllr A Lightfoot, Cllr Humby and Cllr Brading.  
Locum Clerk: Val Taylor

## **MINUTES OF THE DEFERRED 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019 MEETING HELD ON THE 15<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019**

### **1759/19 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Ward and Cllr Patel  
Cllr Cowley sent hers for lateness as she was attending a funeral but would try to get to the Meeting  
Cllr Young and Cllr P Lightfoot were not present at the meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019 as stated in those minutes. The Clerk responded when it came to agree the minutes of that meeting it will be recorded as a correction in the minutes she will be writing as is the correct procedure.

### **1760/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

#### **2.1 To receive any declarations of pecuniary and non -pecuniary interests**

Cllr Andre and Brading declared an interest in matters relating to the Isle of Wight Council.

Cllr Humby declared her interest in agenda item 1761/19 as she is a Guiding Ambassador.

#### **2.2 To receive and consider granting any written requests of dispensations.**

None received.

### **1761/19 TO REVIEW THE GRANT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AND AGREE FUNDING.**

Prior to decisions being made ,a question was raised about applicants not filling in a grant form as per the policy of the Council. Councillors agreed that the policy must be followed and grant application forms must be completed.

The following grant applications were reviewed

1. Grace Vincent had not completed an application form .
2. Armed Forces Day had not completed an application form.

#### **RESOLVED:-**

Councillors asked that application forms be completed before they consider these two grants.

3. Community Kids asking if they could apply later for a grant.

#### **RESOLVED:-**

It was agreed to send them an application form for later.

4. Sandown and Lake Football Club.

#### **RESOLVED:-**

Agreed to give £336.00 towards steps for their portacabin

5. Sandown and Shanklin Military Band.

#### **RESOLVED:-**

Agreed to give £500.00 towards commission of a piece of music.

6. The Common Space.

**RESOLVED:-**

Agreed to give £3,000.00 This grant to be given when the constitution is provided as it was missing from application.

7. Jigsaw.

**RESOLVED:-**

Agreed to give £800.00. This payment to be a one off outreach service payment

8. Girl Guiding.

**RESOLVED:-**

This application was deferred to next meeting. Councillors wanted more information on the amount requested and what the grant was to be used for.

**1762/19 HIGH STREET FUND BID- TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED BID AND AGREE A JOINT SUBMISSION.**

It was reported that this item was not for discussion as it had gone to Newport

**1763/19 IW DAY – PROGRESS UPDATE AND TO DECIDE ON THE TOWN COUNCIL'S CONTRIBUTION.**

This item was discussed. Cllr Andre proposed the Council gave them £4,000 but this was not seconded.

**RESOLVED**

Motion not carried

The Council could not consider this application as the organisation should have filled in a grant application form and sent in their accounts.

**1764/19 HEDGE CUTTING ON COASTAL SLOPE- TO RECEIVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR A DECISION.**

The Council discussed the additional information received and agreed the hedge needs managing.

**RESOLVED: -**

THAT the Council pays 50% of the cost of hedge cutting and the Isle of Wight Council pays the other 50%.

**MINUTES OF THE FOLLOW ON MEETING HELD ON THE 15<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019**

**1765/19 TO APPOINT THE INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR 2019 / 2020.**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT Gareth Hughes is appointed Auditor for 2019/2020

**1766/19 TO NOTE THE ASSET REGISTER FOR 2018/19.**

The Asset Register for 2018/19 was noted.

**1767/19 TO AGREE TO JOIN HALC.**

The Clerk was asked what was the cost of joining HALC? The Council was informed it was dependent on numbers of electorate but for an electorate of 4,300 it was £699.00

**RESOLVED:-**

That Sandown Town Council join HALC

**1768/19 FINANCES**

1. To agree the payments list as presented.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Council agreed the payment list as presented.

2. To note the bank reconciliation to the end of February 2019.

**RESOLVED: -**

THAT the Council noted the bank reconciliation.

**1769/19 CLERK UPDATE**

The Council was updated on the following: -

- **Collapsed Tree at Sandham Gardens.** Tree to be removed and Isle of Wight Council arranging removal of derelict shed.
- **Junior Skate ramps.** Equipment removed and disposed of. Heras Fencing will be removed on Monday. Area to remain locked till hole in surface is refilled.
- **Steven Jenkins.** Park remain closed till Wickstead has inspected and work signed off. Holes to be filled in by their contractors. Installation of our benches with replacement plaques and picnic tables should be completed today and the rainbow painted on Sunday. Potential official opening day event - date to be confirmed.
- **Adizone.** Area to be cleared and seeded shortly.
- **Skate park inspection.** Cllr P Lightfoot reported hole has been drilled in equipment to enable inspection - reporting back on this shortly.
- **Yaverland toilets.** Wallgate dried out the units and replaced internal parts and they are all now functioning.
- **External Auditor.** Still waiting for response regarding the sign off of the 2017/18 Audit which has not yet been supplied. The Locum Clerk informed Councillors this was not only happening to this Council but there were problems up and down the Country with these new external auditors and it was being taken up by the SLCC and NALC at National level.

**Correspondence: -**

1. Received from Southern Water a response to letter re. pumping station improvements.
2. Received from Alan Jones – re taking over Sandown in Bloom Competition.
3. Application for Street Furniture Permit-
4. Request to undertake a traffic survey in College Close.

**RESOLVED**

The Clerks update was noted.

The Mayor brought up under correspondence a request she had received from Bill Wyke for the Council to produce a letter of Greetings from the Council for the Chelsea Pensioners visit.

**This request was supported by the Council.**

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – 2 comments were made and noted.

**1769/19 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

To resolve that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the public bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960, the public and press be excluded in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted to discuss legal matters.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT in accordance with Section 1(2) of the public bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960, the public and press be excluded in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted to discuss legal matters.

The public left the meeting.

The Mayor closed the meeting.

Mayor .....

Dated .....