



SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of Sandown Town Council held on Monday 23 November 2015 at 7.00pm at The Broadway Centre, Sandown

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllr. Wright (Chair), Cllr. Cowley, Cllr. Dupre, Cllr. Grandchamp, Cllr. Humby,
Cllr. Mereweather, Cllr. Patel, Cllr. Stephenson, Cllr. Teasdale

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs Marion Cook (Town Clerk)
Ian Boyd (CCT/Arc Consulting)

Councillors received a presentation by Ian Boyd, to update Members about the Coastal Community Team activities. He explained that currently events were being planned and carried out in order to gain as much feedback from the Public and Businesses as to what is needed in the Bay, and how things could be carried out. The £10k grant that had been received was to cover the cost of venue hire, musical entertainment, catering and resources. It was important that all three Council and areas worked together to ensure that every pot of money that came forward was utilised.

- 1230/15 To receive and accept apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllr. Blezzard (away from home), Cllr. Ward (Reserve Forces meeting) and Cllr. Young (work commitment)
- 1231/15 To receive declarations of interest**
There were no declarations of interest
- 1232/15 To agree and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 26 October 2015**
On a proposal from Cllr. Patel, seconded by Cllr. Mereweather
It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the 26 October 2015 as a true and correct record
- 1233/15 To note and approve the recommendations in the draft minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 09 November 2015**
The minutes were noted and the recommendation contained in minute 175/15 was unanimously endorsed. On a further proposal by Cllr. Humby, seconded by Cllr. Dupre, It was **RESOLVED** to write to IWALC to ask them to push for spending on Island wide services to be per capita, and not left to the few Parish & Town Councils.
- 1234/15 Bay Area Action Plan**
The Bay Area Action Plan was discussed and it was felt that the whole document was now undefined in certain areas. The consultation end date is 21 December 2015 and the Clerk was asked to put a link onto the website and drawing it to the attention of the Public.
- 1235/15 Age Friendly Island**
The initial comment by Councillors was that the front sheet could be quite difficult for older, poorly sighted people to read as the print was small and some of it printed pink

on green. The document was noted and it was agreed that like so many other things it requires monetary investment and practical help.

1236/15 To approve and sign the Schedule of payments (copy attached)

Cllr. Dupre vocally decried the actions of the Town Clerk in refunding a Hall hire fee, but other Members disagreed with him and supported the Clerk's action.

On a proposal from Cllr. Cowley, seconded by Cllr. Grandchamp,

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Sandown Town Council schedule of payments totalling £2,985.21 and the Sandham Gardens schedule of payments totalling £11,165.37. Invoices were seen and initialled and both schedules were signed by Cllrs. Mereweather and Cowley.

1237/15 To receive a report from the Building Working Party

Members of the Working Party reported that the following list had been drawn up and was being acted upon:

1. Working Party to investigate temporary office accommodation in the Barracks, at the Heights (IW) and in the High Street (everyone)
2. To investigate College Close, Portacabin (MC)
3. To confirm Tender/Quote procedure for Architect (MC)

After these investigations, and at the next meeting, Full Council will be asked to consider agreeing in principle to purchase, lease or rent a suitable property in a suitable area of the Town, initially temporarily, then permanently.

1238/15 To receive a report from the Staffing Committee

The Staffing committee had met, drawn up a list of requirements for both a Cleaner and an Administrative Assistant. Both posts would be advertised in the Job Centre and on our website.

1239/15 Questions from IOW Council Scrutiny Committee undertaking a review of Planning Department

It was proposed by Cllr. Mereweather, seconded by Cllr. Humby

And **RESOLVED** that the Chair of the Planning Committee, together with the Mayor and the Town Clerk respond to these questions.

1240/15 To receive information re: Archived Sandown Chronicles

Cllr. Humby reported that she had received a letter from Derek Poole, President and Archivist, Sandown & District Historical Society, concerning scanning of the Chronicles. One of the members Mr O'Brien has volunteered to scan the documents using a light hand held scanner. They appreciate it will be a long process but at the end would provide two copies of the scans, one for the Society and one for the Town Council. Everyone was pleased to accept.

1241/15 Town Clerk report

Child Protection Policy – needs revising. Town Clerk to enrol on training course to assess what is required before updating policy.

D-Bid presentation – Councillors reminded of meeting at the Isle of Wight Zoo on Thursday, 26 November.

Invitation from Cllr. Priest from Shanklin Town Council to Councillors to attend a meeting at Shanklin Theatre when a number of invited guests would speak about the Shanklin and bay area.

Local Access Forum meeting to be held on Thursday 03 December in Newport.

Town Carol Concert will be held on 07 December at the Bay Primary C of E School and the Clerk asked for mince pies to be made. Information has been sent to County Press. Details of Community Waste Forum being formed by Amey.

1242/15

To note written reports from County Councillors

Both County Councillors were absent, but Cllr. Blezzard had forwarded a report to the Clerk and this was circulated. (Copy attached)

1243/15

To share information between Councillors

Discussion took place over the IOW Council taking over two years now to sort out the Dinosaur Park. The Procurement Officer it was due to employ, had changed her mind and now would not be coming to the Isle of Wight, and this would delay any changes taking place.

Lights of Love will take place on 12 December at Baptist Church

There will be a meeting of the Carnival Committee on 26 November 2015

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed
Chairman

14 December 2015