



SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of Sandown Town Council held on Monday 08 June 2015 at 7.00pm at The Broadway Centre, Sandown

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllr. Wright (Chairman), Cllr. Blezzard, Cllr. Cowley, Cllr. Dupre, Cllr. Grandchamp, Cllr. Humby, Cllr. Mereweather, Cllr. Patel, Cllr. Stephenson, Cllr. Teasdale, Cllr. Ward, Cllr. Young

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs Marion Cook (Town Clerk)
1 member of the Public

Mrs Sally McConkey asked why the demolition had not started at the Savoy Hotel. Councillors repeated the reply that had been given at the Planning Meeting.

1161/15 To receive apologies for absence

None required

1162/15 To receive declarations of interest

Cllrs. Blezzard and Ward as County Councillors declared an interest in any business of the IOW Council.

1163/15 To agree and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 30 March 2015

On a proposal from Cllr. Young, seconded by Cllr. Grandchamp,
It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the 18 May 2015 as a true and correct record

1164/15 To discuss Lifeguard Services in Sandown

Councillors were reminded that Watersports Ryde had declined to offer a service in Sandown, as they had in previous years, at short notice. The Town Clerk had made enquiries elsewhere and as a result Darren Lewis and Lee Fisher from the RNLI were invited to tell Council members what they were able to offer in way of Lifeguarding services for Sandown for this season. They explained they would be looking for a five year contract as this period would co-incide with equipment renewal. They presented a budget plan and an introduction to the service. In summary, the set up costs would be approx. £48k and the annual running costs would be approx. £21k. The cost to the Council for the 2015 school holiday period i.e. 04 July to 06 September 2015 will be approx. £10,000 and in the following years and increase of 2%. After answering questions the RNLI were asked if they would leave the room for Councillors to discuss the proposals. With the proviso that permission would have to be sought from IOW Council for a licence to use the beach, and planning permission for a temporary structure on the beach, Messrs Lewis and Fisher were invited back into the Chamber and the proposal accepted.

1165/15 Consultation on the Draft Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document – Parish & Town Councils.

As this consultation has until 06 July to run, this was deferred for Councillors to read more thoroughly.

1166/15 To discuss Car parks

This item was requested by Cllr. Dupre who was in favour of the Town Council taking over Car parks from the IOW Council.

Ventnor Town Council had taken over some of its car parks as a trial and it is understood that no more will be released to other Councils until this trial process is over.

Members would require a summary of takings and costs before consideration could be given. Discussion took place over the likelihood of charging less and using them more and therefore make a profit.

1167/15 To receive and approve the schedule of payments

On a proposal from Cllr. Blezzard, seconded by Cllr. Mereweather, the Sandown Town Council schedule of payments totalling £4,474.65 and the Sandham Gardens schedule of payments totalling £3,628.14 were approved by all and both schedules were signed by Cllrs. Mereweather and Young

1168/15 Councillors time to raise questions and share information

Cllr. Teasdale asked Councillors to consider the need for a small van for Council Staff, particularly for our Maintenance Operative and Caretaker when carrying tools and equipment. Now that the painting of the railings is improving the Esplanade area , he also asked Councillors to consider painting the small wall that the railings sit on. Although this would be time consuming it would enhance the visual look especially with the Honour walk plaques now being put on the wall instead of in the pavement.

Signed

Chairman

Date 22 June 2015



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