



SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of Sandown Town Council held on Monday 15 August 2016 at 7.00pm at The Broadway Centre, Sandown

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllr. Patel (Chair), Cllr. Blezzard, Cllr. Dupre, Cllr. Grandchamp, Cllr. Humby,
Cllr. Mereweather, Cllr. Teasdale, Cllr. Wright & Cllr. Young

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs Marion Cook (Town Clerk)

A minutes silence was held out of respect for Mrs Peggy Jarman who passed away on 03 August. She was an IOW Councillor from May 1993 to May 2005, being Chairman of that Council in her last year. She was Mayor of Sandown from 2001-2002. Her funeral will be held on Friday 19 August.

- 1354/16 To receive and accept apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllrs. Cowley & Ward
- 1355/16 To receive declarations of interest**
Declaration of interest was received from Cllr. Blezzard in respect of any items relating to the business of the Isle of Wight Council.
- 1356/16 To agree and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 25 July 2016**
After two minor amendments were made and adjusted by hand on the master copy, and on a proposal from Cllr. Blezzard, and agreed unanimously
It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the 25 July 2016 as a true and correct record.
- 1357/16 To put forward ideas in relation to the Bay Master Plan** (copies supplied previously
The comments were made that this Master Plan looked very similar to the Market Town Initiative from 2004, and seemed to be a compilation of many past schemes. Cllr. Dupre that there was no money at the IOW Council to do this, and Cllr. Blezzard pointed out it was not an IOW Council document but was led by the Chamber of Commerce working with Councillors.
What was now required was ideas from Councillors to include in the Plan. The consensus was that the plan included all the good ideas from the past and Councillors would be happy to see any of it achieved. Some of these had progressed already. Cllr. Blezzard said that he and Cllr. Ward had suggested a Leisure Centre Facility at Yaverland, a spur from the Island Line coming to the beachfront, and to develop the old Wight City/Colonel Bogey site as a conference centre.
On a proposal from Cllr. Mereweather, seconded by Cllr. Humby
It was **RESOLVED** to ask the Clerk to reply asking that the ideas mentioned be incorporated along with promoting outside investment.

- 1358/16 To receive and approve the schedule of payments.**
The schedules and invoices were examined by Cllrs. Mereweather and Young and on a proposal from Cllr. Young, seconded by Cllr. Mereweather
It was **RESOLVED** to approve the schedule of payments for Sandown Town Council in the sum of £12,514.28 and for Sandham Grounds in the sum of £1,568.83. A schedule of payments made by Debit Card was noted.
- 1359/16 To discuss the progress of**
- a) Broadway Centre**
The options were outlined:- application for 13 houses in the Broadway site to continue, the original application of Community Centre and five houses be resurrected, or a Community Centre only on this site.
Cllr. Young, seconded by Cllr. Grandchamp proposed that the Community Centre was built on this site but this was withdrawn, and this and further discussion was deferred to the next meeting as Chris Quirk, who had been due to speak to the Council about Trusts for buildings had had to cancel at the last minute due to family commitments. It was felt that the idea of a Trust for the Town Hall was an integral part of any decision to be made, and needed to be heard before a decision was reached.
- b) Relocation of office**
Quotes had been received for work to be done to facilitate the temporary move to the Town Hall, and on a proposal from Cllr. Blezzard, seconded by Cllr. Humby
It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quote from RPL for the installation of a basic kitchen and a doorway to be created through a wall.
We still await listed building consent from the Isle of Wight Council, before this can be carried out. Meantime the Clerk is progressing information and quotes for IT work to be carried out.
- 1360/16 To discuss parking in Sandham Gardens and engagement of UK Car Park Management**
This company will manage the parking in Sandham Gardens. Offenders will be fined £100 or £60 on the spot for illegal parking. It will cost the Council nothing, and we gain nothing except a park that complies with health & safety and keeps visitors, staff and contractors safe.
On a proposal from Cllr. Blezzard, seconded by Cllr. Young
It was **RESOLVED** to engage UK Car Park Management. Clerk to put an article in the County Press explaining why this is to be done.
- 1361/16 To receive an update from Community Partnership on**
- a) Town Square**
A meeting had been held in Newport with Island Roads, and they will carry out a study to see the best location either the junction of the High Street with Albert Road or York Street.
Clerk asked to send formal request this to be carried out. Cllr. Mereweather to supply contact details.
- b) Honour Trail tiles**
The first three tiles had been put down near to the War Memorial. Partnership thought they would have been nearer the Pier, but with possible building work they may not have been seen easily.
On a proposal from Cllr. Young, seconded by Cllr. Blezzard
It was **RESOLVED** that the Town Council would purchase a tile.

1362/16 **To receive an update on Public Toilets Freehold Asset transfers from IOW Council**
Cllr. Blezzard and the Clerk reported on the meeting they had attended with Cllr. Paul Fuller (IOW Councillor), Justin Thorne (IOW Leal team) and Richard Berry (officer for Asset transfer).

The Town Council view that clauses allowing the IOW Council to buy back the toilets within 21 years for £1, and being able to dictate the use of the buildings, should be removed, were discussed.

Cllr. Blezzard concluded the report saying that he thought there will be movement to an acceptable situation.

1363/16 **To note:**

a) verbal reports from Town Councillors

No reports from Councillors. The Mayor reported that he had attended the prize presentation at the Splash & Dash, and the Pier to Pier Swim, and had entertained the High Commissioner to India when he visited the Island and Sandown.

b) reports from Councillors attending meetings on outside bodies

Cllr. Humby reported the Forum was in recess until September.

1364/16 **To note:**

a) written reports from County Councillors

Report from Cllr. Blezzard was noted (copy attached)

In point 2 of the report, Cllr. Teasdale expressed disappointment with the IOW Council wanting to save £17k when it was a matter of safety.

Cllr. Humby asked if Cllr. Blezzard knew what was happening to the Old Post office as the steps at the side were still an eyesore.

She also repeated her requests to the IOW councillors for something to be done about extending the yellow lines in Old Reservoir Lane to prevent any accidents happening.

Cllr. Blezzard said he thought the yellow lines would not happen, and the Clerk said she was trying to track down someone from the Post Office who may know about the building and the steps.

1365/16 **To note information from the Town Clerk**

All information had been passed on elsewhere in the meeting.

1366/16 **To note the date of the next meeting**

The date of the next meeting was noted – 26 September 2016

Signed
Chairman

Date 12 September 2016