



SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of Sandown Town Council held on Monday 26 October 2015 at 7.00pm at The Broadway Centre, Sandown

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllr. Wright (Chair) Cllr. Blezzard, Cllr. Cowley, Cllr. Grandchamp, Cllr. Humby, Cllr. Mereweather, Cllr. Patel, Cllr. Stephenson, Cllr. Ward and Cllr. Young

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs Marion Cook (Town Clerk)
2 members of Public Health IOW

Councillors received a presentation by Richard Lloyd newly appointed as Public Health IOW Council, Local Area Co-ordinator for the Bays explaining his role and the way the scheme would develop over the rest of the Island. He was thanked and invited to contribute an article to the Chronicle

1218/15 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr. Dupre (no reason) and Cllr. Teasdale (away from home).

1219/15 To receive declarations of interest

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

1220/15 To agree and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 28 September 2015

On a proposal from Cllr. Blezzard, seconded by Cllr. Young
It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the 28 September 2015 as a true and correct record

1221/15 Reports from Councillors attending other meetings

Cllr. Wright spoke about the written report on the My Life a Full Life meeting (copy attached) and proposed to Councillors that the method of putting a Councillor on the Executive Board should be by democratic vote with an election through IWALC. On a proposal by Cllr. Blezzard, seconded by Cllr. Young
It was **RESOLVED** to ask the Town Clerk to write to Gill Kennett, Chair of IWALC.

1222/15 To receive a report from the Staffing Committee

The Staffing Committee appointed at the last Full Council meeting had met to consider the request of the Administration Clerk to reduce her hours from 20 to 15 hours per week over three days. This had been agreed with the proviso that one of the working days must be a Monday or a Friday. Also considered was the request from the Caretaker to relinquish the cleaning duties, thus reducing his hours from 25 to 20 hours per week. This had also been agreed. It was agreed to advertise a Cleaner's post on 6 hours per week, and to advertise for a second Administrative Assistant on 15 hours per week. The only additional cost to the Wages & Salaries budget will be the additional 10 hours for the second Administrative Assistant.

1223/15 To approve and sign the Schedule of payments (copy attached)

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

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Sandown Town Council schedule of payments totalling £1,910.83 and the Sandham Gardens schedule of payments totalling £3003.07. Invoices were seen and initialled and both schedules were signed by Cllrs. Mereweather and Cowley.

1224/15

Remembrance Day Service

The Town Clerk updated Councillors of the arrangements for Remembrance Sunday saying that the Archdeacon would be leading the Service, the S&S Military Band would be there, as would the Ryde Cadets and the Sandown Youth Organisations. Wreaths were ready. Road closure had been applied for. There would be increased amplification with more speakers etc this year, hopefully to ensure that more people would be able to hear properly.

1225/15

Lights of Love Service

Cllr. Grandchamp had approached Rev. Ian Lovell and asked if the Lights of Love Service could be held at the Baptist Church as part of the Christmas Tree Festival. The Service has been arranged for Saturday 12 December at 5.30pm.

1226/15

Coastal Community Report

The Town Clerk reported that she had seen cards in Shanklin asking for views on the Bay Coastal Community project with a collection box for replies. She had contacted Ian Boyd who appears to be the lead on this and as a result he had brought a supply of cards and a box into the Broadway Centre. Cllr. Humby said she had been into the Library and collected a card, but had been asked about a closing date for comments. The Clerk said she would find out. The Mayor summarised the conversation by remarking that like the Coastal Community event at Browns a few weeks previously, this Town Council seemed to be the last to know anything. The Clerk added that Ian Boyd had said he would keep her directly involved in future.

1227/15

Town Clerk Report

1. John Davies, Town Crier had attended the 63rd National Town Criers Competition in Hastings on 17 October 2015. He came fourteenth.
2. Town Clerk had attended a Planning Training at County Hall
3. Chronicle cut off date for articles is 01 November
4. E-mail had been received inviting representation at County hall on Wednesday 03 November to hear about further Devolution of services and budget cuts. The Mayor and Deputy Mayor to attend.
5. Letter received from Partnership asking if the Town Council would support them in the cost of a Skatepark Competition next year. Anticipated costs would be approx. £700 and after a proposal
It was **RESOLVED** to contribute 50% i.e £350.00
6. Councillors were reminded about the Area Action Plan meeting at County Hall on Tuesday at 6.00pm
7. The Council agreed the Clerk's request to shut the office at 12.30pm on Wednesday 23 December 2015 until Monday 03 January 2016. Staff will take 4 days annual leave.

1228/15

To note written reports from County Councillors

Written reports were noted (copies attached) and questions from Town Councillors answered.

1229/15

To share information between Councillors.

Councillors questioned when exactly Island Roads would be repairing the High Street and received in answer, from County Council colleagues that pot holes would be repaired and experimental holes would be tested in the winter, ready to start in the Spring.

Other matters discussed was a Footpath query from Cllr. Young.

Signed

Chairman

Date 23 November 2015



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