



SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllr. Young (Chairman), Cllr. Blezzard, Cllr. Cowley, Cllr. Grandchamp,
Cllr. Humby, Cllr. Mereweather, Cllr. Patel and Cllr. Ward

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs Marion Cook (Town Clerk)
3 members of the Public

A presentation, previously given to the Community Partnership, on a proposed new roof over the Multi-Sports area at The Fort, Sandham Gardens, Sandown from David Duffy and Sue Atkinson (Head of Architecture at Rainey Petrie and Associates) was received by Councillors. The presenters explained their plans for the £650k project, which would involve applying for a grant from the Sport England Improvement Fund of 50% and this would need to be match funded in the sum of approx. £165K. There is the possibility of grants from other sources such as Solent LEP (max £50k) and private investment. There was a suggestion of S.106 money from the IOW Council.

Sue Atkinson and David Duffy were asked to liaise with the Town Clerk and the County Councillors.

Vanessa Churchman from Shanklin Rotary outlined plans for a Splash & Dash Fun Run being organised for 11 July 2015 from Old Shanklin Pier to the Yacht Club at Yaverland. Entry will be £10 with badges awarded on completion and funds raised for Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat. It is hoped this may become an annual event, and help will of course be needed for marshalling etc. Mrs Churchman was asked to keep the Council informed.

1096/15 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs. Stephenson, Teasdale and Wright.

1097/15 To receive declarations of interest

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

1098/15 To agree and sign the minutes of the meeting held on the 26 January 2015

Cllr. Mereweather, seconded by Cllr. Grandchamp, proposed acceptance of the minutes of the meeting held on the 26 January 2015.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes as a true and correct record.

1099/15 To receive correspondence and agree action/response arising from the minutes

The Town Clerk went through the Actions required on the minutes

1084/15 b), 1086/15 and 1087/15 ongoing

1085/15 Meeting with Cllr. Stubbings had taken place

Meeting with Ryde & Shanklin had taken place on 20th February with 5 councillors taking part. No decisions were made, but information received.

- 1088/15 b) Cheque to be signed
- 1088/15 f) Article placed in Sandown Chronicle due out
- 1093/15 Letter sent to Chairman of the Council cc'd to Cllr. Stubbings and a reply received saying if we would like to contribute £7000 we could prevent the cuts in Sandown.

- 1100/15 To discuss the presentation by Mr Duffy and Ms Atkinson**
Questions from Councillors had taken place at the time of the presentation. It was stated that the Community Partnership had already backed this idea. The Town Clerk asked Cllr. Blezzard to clarify whether the S.106 money referred to in the presentation was from the general IOW 'pot' or from amounts granted specifically to Sandown Town Council. He confirmed it as being possible from the IOW 'pot'.
- 1101/15 To respond to the Public Consultation on the Sandown Post Office**
General comments were that it was good to have it back in the town, rather than lose it completely, but there were concerns over parking. On a proposal from Cllr. Grandchamp, seconded by Cllr. Ward
It was **RESOLVED** to support the Post Office moving from Beachfield Road to the Spar Shop in Albert Road.
- 1102/15 To respond to the Licensing application made by Mr & Mrs Rowling in respect of the Bandstand, Culver Parade, Sandown.**
The Town Clerk had placed this on the agenda to ensure that as the Town Council would be taking over the Lease for Sandham Gardens, everyone was aware of exactly what would be happening in terms of opening hours etc. These details were noted and approved.
- 1103/15 To receive a report from Councillors attending Health Communities Meeting at Sandown Bay C of E School on Monday 02 February**
This was attended by Cllrs. Blezzard and Grandchamp. This was put on by Public health to promote an event on 22 and 23 May celebrating everything that is good in Sandown. There will be similar events all over the Island starting with Sandown. There will be another meeting early March, and Councillors will be kept informed.
- 1104/15 To receive a report from Councillors attending the Coastal Towns Consultancy Meeting at Ventnor**
No Councillors attended due to inclement weather.
- 1105/15 To receive a report and agree to have ID cards for all Members, Officers and Staff**
After discussion and on a proposal from Cllr. Ward
it was **RESOLVED** that Officers and Staff would have some sort of ID card, and Councillors would have ID cards and car passes if they so wished.
- 1106/15 To discuss protective clothing and corporate clothing for Staff**
On a proposal from Cllr. Blezzard, seconded by Cllr. Humby
it was **RESOLVED** to delegate this to the Town Clerk to deal with.

1107/15

To receive an update on

a) Discretionary Services b) Sandham Gardens c) Battery Gardens

Cllr. Blezzard reported that he would be having further discussions with Cllr. Stubbings at the IOW Council, as it would now appear he had gone back on what had been said at the meeting with him and Battery Gardens would not be maintained by the County. Sandham Gardens will be maintained by Town Council assuming the lease is signed by 01 April 2015. It was agreed that tenders would be requested from the three groups of people interested in taking over the Sandham Rides area.

He gave comparative figures for other Island Councils and showed them to be all out of proportion in comparison with the figures for Sandown. He suggested if these figures were not revised it may be worth complaining to the Ombudsman.

Beach cleaning options with figures from the meeting at Ryde were given by Cllr. Blezzard. It was suggested that the meeting should commit to an amount of money to be spent but investigate exactly what we would get. Discussion took place concerning what would happen this year and the implications on following years. Councillors present at the Ryde meeting agreed they had been 'minded' to make a contribution to the Isle of Wight contract to maintain the level of the service provided in 15/16 but also felt there were too many versions and options of the costs of the Beach cleaning being mentioned.

The Town Clerk was asked to find out the criteria for the Blue Flag on beaches. It was decided to have a separate meeting to deal with Discretionary Services.

1108/15

To receive reports from representatives to outside bodies

a) Police report. Cllr. Cowley said that the Police area for Sandown had been extended up to and including Ventnor.

b) Community Partnership. Cllr. Mereweather reported that the main area of work at the moment was the negotiation with various bodies over the best place to land the Hovercraft due in to the Bay in the Summer. The Business Association was organising concessions in conjunction with Hover travel and their tickets.

Honour Walk slabs were near completion, and heritage trail was moving along.

c) IWALC report was given by Cllr. Blezzard. Hustings organised by IWALC for 01 April to be changed to a different date.

1109/15

To receive and note reports from County Councillors

Written reports were noted and the Mayor said that any questions relating to them reports would be taken in the next item.

Among other things Cllr. Blezzard mentioned that the lease on the Town Hall was being held up by the IOW Council not by CEYP who were hoping to move in anytime.

Yarbridge Road closure is being held up by Network Rail according to Island Roads, and Network Rail say it is being held up by Island Line. Further details are awaited.

Cllr. Ward spoke about the Community Bus service and a meeting he had with Matt Kitchen, MD of Southern Vectis, and the possibility of a contract direct with Southern Vectis.

1110/15

Councillors time to raise questions and share information

Cllr. Humby brought up the question of waste bags and how difficult it was for the elderly to finally collect bags from the Library, and asked for County Councillors to look

into the matter. She also voiced concerns about the small number of Staff left at County Hall. Finally she asked if there was any news on the Library Service in Sandown and asked County Councillors to find out what was happening.

Cllr. Dupre spoke about the £23 million 'IOW Council Project money'. He said he had questioned the Leader of the council about this who had suggested that if there was a project which could be match funded, this would be considered. He also mentioned a Radio Group interested in hiring rooms at the Town Hall. This had been held back in case the Town Council wished to hire them. This was not in the Town Council plan at this time.

1111/15

To note information from the Town Clerk

The Town Clerk updated Councillors on Intruder alarm adjustments that are needed costing £120.00.

The Town Clerk updated Members on the parking situation at the Broadway Centre.

Members were also updated about the Maintenance Operative. His progress would be reported in the Chronicle, and it would be advertised at every opportunity that Sandown Town Council was doing the work.

It was reported that the Town Clerk had requested that Island Roads look at the steps outside the Pier to have them re-lined on the edges and the rough edges looked at.

It was noted that the date of the next meeting has been moved to 30 March 2015

Signed

Chairman

Date 30 March 2015



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