



SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting of Sandown Town Council held on Monday 18 May 2015 at 7.00pm at The Broadway Centre, Sandown

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs Marion Cook (Town Clerk)

1145/15

To elect the Town Mayor for the ensuing year

The Chairman, Councillor Gary Young asked for nominations for the new Town Mayor. Councillor Cathy Wright was nominated and elected unanimously.

Councillor Wright was congratulated and took the Chair.

1146/15

To receive declaration of acceptance of Office

Councillor Wright signed the declaration of acceptance of Office

1147/15

Mayor's address to the Council

Cllr. Wright thanked her colleagues for electing her and paid tribute to the outgoing Mayor, Cllr. Young. She said that her charities for the year would be Defibrillators for the Town, Key Places and Dogs for Disabled Children.

1148/15

To receive and accept apologies for absence

None required

1149/15

To receive declarations of interest

Councillors Blezzard and Ward declared a personal interest in anything concerning the IOW Council by virtue of being County Councillors.

1150/15

To elect the Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year

Councillor Raj Patel was nominated and elected unanimously.

1151/15

To adjourn the meeting to allow the residents of Sandown to speak

There were no residents in attendance.

1152/15

To agree and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 27 April and 11 May 2015

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

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the 27 April and 11 May as a true and correct record

1153/15	To appoint Committees and Representatives on other bodies for the year 2015/16 (The Town Mayor is ex-officio on all committees and has voting rights)
	Planning & Environment Committee 7 members Cllrs. Cowley, Dupre, Humby, Mereweather, Patel, Stephenson and Young
	Finance & General Purposes Committee 7 members Cllrs. Cowley, Dupre, Grandchamp, Humby, Mereweather, Patel, and Ward
	Outside Bodies –
	Sandown Community Partnership 4 members Cllrs. Cowley, Patel, Stephenson, Teasdale
	Police Liaison Working Party 5 members* Cllrs. Cowley, Humby, Mereweather, Patel, Stephenson
	Isle of Wight Waste Management 2 members Cllrs. Cowley, Ward
	Sandown Forum 2 members Cllrs. Patel, Teasdale
	St Pete Beach Sister City Association 2 members* Cllrs. Humby, Ward
	Tonnay-Charente Twinning Association 1 member Cllr. Mereweather
	IWALC 1 member Cllr. Humby (Cllr. Wright Reserve)

*membership increased by one by unanimous decision

1154/15 To formulate a reply to the questions set by Scrutiny Committee in regard to transfer of discretionary services to Town & Parish Councils
The questions were discussed in depth and a reply formulated. The Town Clerk was asked to circulate the reply to all members before it was sent to the Scrutiny Committee. (Copy attached as part of the minutes)

1155/15 To receive and approve the schedule of payments
There was no schedule requiring approval.

1156/15 To receive and progress any information on discretionary services including Sandham Gardens
Sandham Grounds has had a fence put up outside the toilets to prevent a trip hazard.
Battery Gardens
Vandalism to the trees at Battery Gardens was reported by Cllr. Humby and the Town Clerk reported that one of the Green Town Volunteers had been very busy collecting litter and broken glass from a wide area in the Gardens, and had reported vandalism to the buildings to the Town Clerk. This had been sent on to the IOW Council for repairs to be effected.
Beach Cleaning
The beach cleaning contract was underway

1157/15 To discuss maintenance of Los Altos
The Town Clerk reported that just prior to the meeting she had received an e-mail from the IOW Council to say that if we took the licence to maintain Los Altos Park, we could also take the income. It was suggested it could be used for three areas, community use, recreational (e.g. football) and allotments if there was a need.

Allotments had already been refused by the IOW Council, but the Town Clerk will discuss this with Lee Matthews.

1158/15 To discuss Lifeguard Services in Sandown

The Town Clerk received the information that Ryde Watersports would not be interested in providing Lifeguard services in Sandown. Other organisations had been contacted and she was having a meeting with the RNLI in the next week, and would report back.

There were suggestions that the longshoremen might be involved in any service.

1159/15 To receive and note reports from County Councillors

Noted (copies attached) The Town Clerk was asked to investigate the statement in Cllr. Ward's opening paragraph about re-allocation of homes from Ryde to Sandown. Cllr. Dupre asked that Car Parks were put on the next agenda.

1160/15 To note information from the Town Clerk.

The Town Clerk reported an incident with a tree in Sandham Grounds which was trimmed by a member of the Bowls club. Cllr. Young offered to accompany the Town Clerk on an inspection of the trees.

Signed

Chairman

Date 08 June 2015



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