

RYDE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF RYDE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 13 MAY 2019 IN THE GARFIELD ROAD METHODIST CHURCH, GARFIELD ROAD, RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT COMMENCING AT 7:00PM

<u>Present</u>	Councillors: Adrian Axford, Henry Adams, Charles Chapman, Diana Conyers, Julian Critchley, Nancy Farrell, Michael Lilley, Sue Lyons, Phil Jordan, Jim Moody, Malcolm Ross (Outgoing Mayor), Lou Temel, Tim Wakeley and Wayne Whittle.
In Attendance	Saskia Blackmore, Clerk, Ryde Town Council Adrienne White, Clerk, Ryde Town Council (Minutes)
Also Present	Members of the Public

	Prior to the start of the meeting a Public Qustion Time was held for 30 minutes
57/19	ELECTION OF MAYOR
	Councillor Phil Jordan requested a named vote.
	Councillor Michael Lilley was proposed and seconded for Mayor. There were no other nominations. Votes for: Councillors Adrian Axford, Charles Chapman, Diana Conyers, Nancy Farrell, Phil Jordan, Michael Lilley, Sue Lyons, Lou Temel and Wayne Whittle
	RESOLVED that Councillor Michael Lilley be elected as Mayor.
58/19	MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE
	Councillor Michael Lilley read out and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
59/19	ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR
	Councillor Adrian Axford was elected Deputy Mayor
60/19	DEPUTY MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE
	Councillor Adrian Axford read out and signed his Declaration of
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66/19 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

- i. The approved Financial Regulations for Ryde Town Council were noted.
- ii. The previous approval given for a payment card was noted.

67/19 | 2019/20 BUDGET

The Town Council's approved 2019/20 budget was noted.

68/19 APPOINTMENT OF BANK SIGNATORIES

The appointment of the authorised bank signatories for the Town Council's banking arrangements as required under clause 5.3 of the Council's Financila Regulations were noted.

69/19 THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that Councillors Charles Chapman, Diana Conyers, Nancy Farrell, Phil Jordan, Malcolm Ross, Ian Stephens, Tim Wakeley and Wayne Whittle be appointed to serve on the Town Council's Planning Committee, which has delegated authority

- To consider and comment on planning applications as a statutory consultee.
- To consider and comment on strategic planning matters.
- To consider and comment upon licensing and highways matters.
- To evaluate bids made by councillors to the Public Realm Strategy and approve bids of a value under £1500. Bids over £1500 require approval by Full Council.

70/19 THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Resolved that Councillors Adrian Axford, Henry Adams, Charles Chapman, Diana Conyers, Julian Critchley, Nancy Farrell, Michael Lilley, , Sue Lyons, Phil Jordan, Jim Moody, Malcolm Ross, lan Stephens, Lou Temel, Tim Wakeley and Wayne Whittle be appointed to serve on the Town Council's Finance Committee, which has delegated authority to

- To review the Town Council's Grant Policy as required and to make recommendations about the Grant Policy to Full Council.
- To make virements of upt o £5000 between agreed budget headings.
- To approve grant awards up to £1500.
- Oversight of the Council's budget and other matters as set out in the Financial Regulations.

71/19 THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE ALLOTMENTS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that Councillors Henry Adams, Malcolm Ross and Lou Temel be appointed to serve on the Town Council's Allotments Management Committee, which has the remit to oversee the management arrangements for the Town's five allotment sites.

72/19 THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE NETWORK RYDE STEERING GROUP

RESOLVED that Councillors Henry Adams, Michael Lilley, Sue Lyons, Malcolm Ross and Tim Wakeley be appointed to serve on the Town Council's Network Ryde Steering Group Committee, which has

- responsibility for programme management and delivery for Network Ryde, the Council's youth offer.
- a remit to oversee the day to day operation and management of the Skatepark in accordance with the park's Management and Operational Plan.
- responsibility for co-opting representatives from partner organisations on to the Steering Group.
- 73/19 THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE PERSONNEL PANEL

It was noted that the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chair and Vice Chair of Planning and Chair and Vice Chair of Finance be reappointed to serve on the Personnel Panel.

74/19 THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL PURPOSES WORKING PARTY

It was noted that the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chair and Vice Chair of Planning and Chair and Vice Chair of Finance be reappointed to serve on the General Purposes Working Party.

75/19 THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO RYDE IN BLOOM STEERING GROUP

RESOLVED that Councillors Charles Chapman, Phil Jordan and Karen Lucioni be appointed to serve on the Ryde in Bloom Steering Group with a remit to oversee Ryde in Bloom 2019/20 and to co-opt community representatives on to the Steering Group as appropriate.

76/19 THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO WORKING PARTIES 2019/20

Ryde Harbour Working Party – RESOLVED that Councillors Henry Adams, Julian Critchley, Phil Jordan, Michael Lilley and Tim Wakeley be appointed to the Ryde Harbour Working Party

Sensory Impairment Working Party – RESOLVED that Councillors Karen Lucioni, Sue Lyons, Ian Stephens and Tim Wakeley be appointed to the Sensory Impairment Working Party.

Honours Working Party – RESOLVED that Councillors Charles Chapman, Michael Lilley and Sue Lyons be appointed to the Honours Working Party.

77/19 THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

The Clerk asked Council to remove the representative of Aspire from the agenda as this representative is appointed at the Finance Committee.

RESOLVED that

- Councillor Diana Conyers be appointed as the representative to the Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils (IWALC) and that Councillor Phil Jordan be appointed as Deputy.
- Councillor Michael Lilley be appointed as the representative to Ryde Business Association.
- Councillor Michael Lilley be appointed as the representative to Ryde Carnival Association.
- Councillor Lou Temem be appointed as the representative to the Waterside Community Trust . The Deputy representaive is vacant.
- Councillor Lou Temel be appointed as the representative to Ryde Saints Football Club.
- Councillor Diana Conyers be appointed as the representative to the Ryde Age Friendly Island Initiative. There are two vacancies.
- Councillor Charles Chapman be appointed as the representative to the Isle of Wight Civil Military Partnership and the Deputy representative role is vacant.
- Councillor Nancy Farrell be appointed as the representative to the Community Safety Partnership – Night-time Economy Meeting. The Deputy representative role is vacant.
- Councillors Julian Critchley and Phil Jordan be appointed as the representatives to the Isle of Wight Council's Ryde Regeneration Working Group.
- Councillor Henry Adams be appointed as the representative to the Historic Ryde Society.
- Councillor Malcolm Ross be appointed as the representative Community Rail Partnership.
- Councillor Sue Lyons be appointed as the representatives to the Ryde Access Advisory Forum. There is one vacancy.

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

RESOLVED that the Calendar of Meetings 2019/2020 be approved.

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79/19 GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

RESOLVED to confirm that Ryde Town Council meets the two required criteria for elegibility, at he time of the meeting, to exercise the General Power of Competence and the adoption of the General Power of Competence for 2019/2020 be approved.

80/19 | MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 1 April 2019 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Mayor.

81/19 | REPORTS

Sgt. Sam Warne sent his apologies for the meeting.

Councillor Michael Lilley requested that the police be made aware and offer any feedback for the 2 consecutive nights of vandalism incidents that took place on Appley Beach in Ryde East ward recently.

Councillor Julian Critchley asked if the police could include the Fiveways shelter on their patrol route as there had been an increase in vandalism following the improved spell of weather.

The Clerk reported that the above would be forwarded onto Sgt Warne.

82/19 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The outgoing Mayor announced that he had opened the new wing at The Cats Protection League, Ryde.

Councillor Malcolm Ross made mention of the dedication and hard work of the staffing team at Ryde Town Council and thanked the staff for the support given to him over the past year.

Councillor Ross gave special thanks to the Planning Assistant who is leaving the Town Council employment later this month.

Councillor Ross reported that the Annual Town Meeting for electors is Wednesday 22 May at the Methodist Church Hall, Garfield Road and invited those present to attend to hear the Mayors Annual report and presentations from community organisations within the Town.

The new Mayor announced that he had attended as Deputy Mayor the Military College Awards evening and that he had been very impressed by the students at the college.

83/19 RYDE HARBOUR WORKING PARTY

The notes of the Ryde Harbour Working Party meeting held on 7 February 2019 were received.

84/19 | PLANNING COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 19 March and 9 April 2019 were received.

85/19 | FINANCE COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Finance Committee meetings held on 19 February and 26 March 2019 were received.

Councillor Tim Wakeley introduced the recommendations arising from the Finance Committee meeting held on 16 April 2019 and it was **RESOLVED that**

A: Beacon Magazine

i. The Full Council note the awarding of a contract for 2019/2020 to the Beacon Magazine for the publication of the Town Council's monthly newsletter.

B: Winter Decorative Lighting – Ryde High Street and Esplanade

- i. The contract waiver of the Councils Contract Standing Orders for the award of a contract to Gala Lighting Limited (LeBlanc Illuminations for UK) for the manufacture and provision of the decorative lighting units as detailed in the attached report and to include all delivery charges be approved.
- ii. The Clerk to the Council is given Authority to award the contract to Gala Lighting Limited (LeBlanc Illuminations UK) at a total cost of £18,530.00 plus VAT for the supply and delivery of the decorative lighting units detailed in paragraph 1.2 in the attached report.

86/19 SENSORY IMPAIRMENT WORKING PARTY

The notes of the Sensory Impairment Working Party meeting held on the 6 December 2018 were received.

Councillor Karen Lucioni introduced the recommendations arising from the meeting of the Working Party held on 16 April 2019 and it was **RESOLVED that**

i. the Full Council agrees to the commencement of a procurement process for the purchase of a mobile PA system that will assist with accessibility to Council meetings, that the Working Party have oversight of any procurement options and

- then make all the necessary recommendations to the Council's Finance Committee/Full Council as required.
- ii. the Full Council notes that all Sub Committee and Full Council agendas will now include information about the accessibility of venues, including provision of hearing loops, and the availability of agendas in large print and that this information will also appear on the Town Council's website.
- iii. the Full Council agrees that the Council will now make suitable provision at Sub Committee and Full Council meetings should any councillor or member of the public wish to bring their own British Sign Language (BSL) translator to a meeting.
- iv. the Full Council agrees that the Working Party should now consider a way forward in establishing a process by which the Town Council can both access the printing of agendas and other documents in braille and can access a BSL translator(s) for Sub Committee and Full Counci meetings if requested. Options for this will be brought back to a future Council meeting.
- v. the Full Council confirms the Town Council should ensure that the Council's website is compliant with the Public Sector Bodies Accessibility Regulations 2018 and notes that PC Consultants will undertake this work as part of the Council's IT support contract. The website needs to be compliant by September 3030.
- vi. Full Council notes the Working Party is in process of considering if the Town Council can livestream meetings and hopes to bring options for this back to a future Council meeting.

87/19 RYDE REGENERATION WORKING GROUP

The Town Councils 2018/19 representatives on the Ryde Regeneration Working Group (set up by the Isle of Wigth Council), Councillors Phil Jordan and Michael Lilley asked the Council to consider a proposal that Town Councillors undertake a fact finding walk along Ryde Esplanade. It was RESOLVED that Councillor Phil Jordan liaise with staff to arrange a suitable date for any Councillors that wished to undertake a fact finding walk along Ryde Esplanade.

88/19 | PAYMENTS

RESOLVED that

i. Payments of those invoices shown on Appendix 1, totalling £42, 634.65 be approved.

	ii. The payments shown on Appendix 2, which have been made under Standing Order 39 (b) and (c), either by online transfer or by cheque be noted.	
89/19	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	The date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 3 June 2019 – Methodist Church, Garfield Road, Ryde.	
	The meeting closed at 8:00 pm.	
	SignedMayor/Chairman	
	Date	