



## **RYDE TOWN COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RYDE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 12 JANUARY 2015 IN THE RYDE METHODIST CHURCH, GARFIELD ROAD, RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT COMMENCING AT 7:00PM**

**Present:** Councillors: Henry Adams, Adrian Axford, Brian Harris,  
Roi Milburn (Mayor), David Moore, Jill Moore, Malcolm Ross,  
Gary Taylor, Ivor Warlow, and Wayne Whittle.

#### **In Attendance**

Saskia Kiernan, Clerk, Ryde Town Council  
Adrienne White, Clerk, Ryde Town Council (Minutes)

#### **Also Present**

Isle of Wight Councillor Roger Whitby-Smith  
Isle of Wight County Press Reporter  
Members of the Public  
Sgt Matt Wilford, Ryde Safer Neighbourhood Team

#### **Public Question Time**

Questions were raised about the following:

- Proposed Pennyfeathers development

01/15 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Conrad Gauntlett, Karen Lucioni, Ian Stephens, Tim Wakeley, Phil Warren and David Woodward.

02/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

03/15 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no individual requests for dispensation.

04/15 MINUTES

**RESOLVED the minutes of the meetings held on Monday 1 December 2014 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Mayor.**

05/15 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Councillor Adrian Axford requested that consideration be given to not having a January meeting in the future. It was agreed this would be addressed in the Calendar of Meetings that would be considered at the Annual Meeting.

Councillor Henry Adams asked if there was any news on when the parking charges were likely to be introduced at Appley. It was agreed that the Clerks would make an enquiry to the Isle of Wight Council.

Councillor Brian Harris thanked the Clerks for the organisation of the Festive decorative lighting and passed on positive comments about the Town Christmas trees.

06/15 REPORTS

Sgt Wilford gave an update on the crime figures in comparison to those of the same period last year. Sgt Wilford explained that a new system for recording crimes had recently been introduced and it was likely that because of this some areas would see an increase in crime until later this year when things should stabilise.

07/15 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced

- he attended the Foal Arts Exhibition at the Depository on the 4 December.
- he attended the Ryde Arts Festival wreath making on the 6 December.
- he attended the Scouts Christmas Carol Service on 12 December.
- he attended the Carol Service at the Waterside Pool on the 13 December.
- he attended a Civic Service Planning meeting for 2015.
- he attended the opening of the Cycle Hub at the Waterside Pool. Councillor Wayne Whittle also attended.
- he had received a letter from the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum asking if the Town Council wished to contribute their thought on Lincoln's legacy as part of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his death. The mayor had prepared an appropriate response, which had been sent to the museum and he hoped to present all the correspondence to the Ryde District Heritage Centre. Councillor Harris on behalf of the Heritage Centre indicated that they would welcome such a presentation.

08/15 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCILLORS

Councillor Brian Harris had been honoured to represent the Town Council at Christmas Eve Remembrance at the Shrine in Lind Street.

Councillor Adrian Axford had attended the switching on of the Christmas Lights, which he was pleased to report went very well.

09/15 PAY AWARD

It was noted that the revised national salary scale increase as agreed by the National Association of Local Councils will be accepted and applied to Ryde Town Council Staff with from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015. This will lead to an increase in total salary costs of £2000 per annum and has been allowed for in the draft 2015/16 budget.

10/15 PLANNING COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 4 and 25 November 2014 were received.

11/15 PAYMENTS

**RESOLVED that**

- Payments of those invoices shown on Appendix 1, totalling £1,390.64 be approved**
- Payments shown on Appendix 2, which have been made under Standing Orders 65 (2) and (3) were noted.**

12/15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 2 February 2015, Methodist Church, Garfield Road, Ryde.

The meeting closed at 7:30pm.

Signed ..... Mayor/Chairman

Date.....