



RYDE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RYDE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 6 JULY 2015 IN THE RYDE METHODIST CHURCH, GARFIELD ROAD, RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT COMMENCING AT 7:00PM

Present: Councillors: Henry Adams, Adrian Axford, Conrad Gauntlett, Brian Harris, Roi Milburn (Mayor), David Moore, Jill Moore, Malcolm Ross, Ian Stephens, Tim Wakeley, Ivor Warlow, Phil Warren, Wayne Whittle and David Woodward.

In Attendance

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

Also Present

Members of the Public
Sgt Justin Eaglen, Ryde Safer Neighbourhood Team
Katharine Arblaster, Ryde Environment Officer
Kevin Smith, Chamber of Commerce

Public Question Time

Questions were raised about the following

- On street parking for Vintage Cars

104/15 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Karen Lucioni.

105/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

106/15 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no individual requests for dispensations.

107/15 MINUTES

RESOLVED the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 1 June 2015 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Mayor.

108/15 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

There were no Members Questions

109/15 REPORTS

Sgt Justin Eaglen gave an update on the crime figures in comparison to those of the same period last year.

Sgt Eaglen reported that an Under 18s SNAP disco recently took place and the event had been a success.

110/15 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced

- that his Mayor Charity for 2015/16 is Ryde Inshore Rescue
- that the Mayor Cadet for 2015/16 was Chloe Chandler, Police Cadet. Three duties had already been performed this year.
- he had been present for the Civic Service at All Saints' Church and the Service had been well attended.
- he had attended Ryde Rowing Regatta
- he had attended the Battle of Waterloo flag raising ceremony
- he had attended Armed Forces Day to open and close the event, and was pleased to report the day had been a great success.
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- he had been invited to the launch of the Science Fair at Ryde Academy, This was a super event and it was very encouraging to speak with such enthusiastic students about their projects.
- he had attended a concert to launch Ryde Arts Festival
- he had been to meet the Ryde Mennym family at Ryde Library where a poem, written by Councillor Wayne Whittle was read.

- he had attended the Mardi Gras Carnival
- he had been invited by Councillor Charles Chapman to the Civic Service held at Newport Minster.
- he had been delighted to have presented a cheque for £435 to Alzheimers Café, Isle of Wight, The Mayor Charity for 2014/15.
- He had visited the Ryde All Saints Brownies to celebrate their 95th birthday.

Councillor Wayne Whittle declared a non pecuniary interest in agenda item 9(2) as his company contributes to the Masterplan.

111/15 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCILLORS

Councillor David Moore gave a report on the events at Armed Forces Day and reported that the Armed Forces Day Committee would be meeting to have a debrief and start planning Armed Forces Day 2016. Councillor David Moore also attended the Armed Forces Day flag raising ceremony.

Councillor Brian Harris reported that he had attended the Civic Service, where he was pleased to have heard the announcement of the Queens Award to Historic Ryde Society for Voluntary Service. He had also attended the Armed Forces Day event and flag raising ceremony.

Councillor Harris expressed his disappointment that no Councillors had been present at the new PACT meetings and hoped that this would change for future meetings.

Councillor Harris had been invited for a lunch as a celebration of horticulture for Play Lane Millennium Green Trust winning a Green Award and a Gold in the Its Your Neighbourhood Category for South & South East in Bloom.

Councillor Phil Warren had attended the concert for the launch of Ryde Arts Festival.

Councillor Warren reported that he had attended a My Life A Full Life, North East Locality Management Group meeting. The Isle of Wight are leading this initiative and it looking at how health may be delivered across the community in the future, in particular Health & Well Being in the Community initiatives that are preventative as well as a cure.

The Mayor announced that a letter had been received from Community Action Isle of Wight, thanking Councillor Conrad Gauntlett for the donation of his ward allocation to Optio-Car. He also reported that a letter had been received from Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) thanking Councillor Ian Stephens for the donation of his ward allocation to Gemma Quew Memorial Fund. A letter had also been received from Ryde academy thanking the Mayor for his attendance at the Science Fair.

112/15 PLANNING COMMITTEE

- 1) Councillor Tim Wakeley introduced Mr Kevin Smith, Chief Executive of the Isle of Wight Chamber of Commerce, who gave a presentation on the Ryde Masterplan.
- 2) **RESOLVED to support the findings of the Masterplan to date and to delegate authority to the Planning Committee to approve the Town Council's formal response at this stage for submission to the Chamber and the Isle of Wight Council.**
- 3) The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on the 19 May 2015 were received.

113/15 REPORT FROM THE ENVIRONMENT OFFICER

Councillor Ian Stephens left the meeting room.

Katharine Arblaster, the Ryde Environment Officer gave the first quarterly update.

Councillor Ian Stephens returned to the meeting room at 8:25pm.

Concerns were raised around the cleanliness of the Canoe Lake, it was noted that Councillor Whittle had received communication from the Isle of Wight Council that may require the views of Ryde Town Council. It was also noted that it be more appropriate for Isle of Wight Council Officers to communicate through the Town Clerks for any future correspondence.

Members were reminded that should anyone have any concerns or issues on matters around the town that they are able to raise them with the Environment Officer via the Clerks.

114/15 FINANCE COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Finance Committee held on 27 May 2015 were received.

Members considered the recommendation arising from the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 24 June 2015 and it was **RESOLVED**

- i. **that the Responsible Finance Officer be given delegated authority to make the following community grant payments on behalf of the Council by electronic transfer:**
 - **Payments of up to £1,500 approved by Finance Committee, details of payments to be provided to the Chairman of Finance.**
 - **Payments of over £1,500 recommended to Council by Finance Committee, and if approved, details of payments to be provided to the Mayor.**
 - **In the absence of either the Chairman of Finance or the Mayor, then one can substitute for the other for payment being made.)**
- ii. **that the current process of reporting payments to Council continue but cheque payments be replaces (where possible) by electronic transfer.**

115/15 MY LIFE A FULL LIFE

Councillor Phil Warren be appointed as the representative to the North East Locality Management Group for My Life a Full Life and that Councillor Henry Adams be appointed deputy.

116/15 SOCIETY OF LOCAL COUNCIL CLERKS

RESOLVED to renew the Clerk's membership of the Society of Local Council Clerks at a cost of £235.00

117/15 RYDE IN BLOOM WORKING PARTY

The notes of the meeting of the Ryde in Bloom Working Party held on 9 May 2014 were received.

118/15 PAYMENTS

RESOLVED that

- i. **Payments of those invoices shown on Appendix 1, totalling £7,333.56 be approved.**
- ii. **Payments shown on Appendix 2, which have been made under Standing Orders 65 (2) and (3) were noted.**

119/15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 7 September 2015, Methodist Church, Garfield Road, Ryde.

120/15 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded for the following items and they are instructed to withdraw – in accordance with Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 (2) and Standing Order no.80 – legal matters.

121/15 ACCOMMODATION WORKING PARTY

The notes of the meeting of the Accommodation Working Party held on 5 March 2015 were received and it was **RESOLVED that the confidential recommendations arising from the meeting of the Accommodation Working Party held on 30 June 2015 be approved.**

The meeting closed at 9:00pm.

Signed Mayor/Chairman

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