

# **RYDE TOWN COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RYDE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 5 MARCH 2018 IN THE RYDE METHODIST CHURCH HALL, GARFIELD ROAD, RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT COMMENCING AT 7:00PM

Present	Councillors: Henry Adams (Mayor), Adrian Axford, Diana Conyers, Julian Critchley, Nancy Farrell, Christine Hall, Phil Jordon, Michael Lilley, Karen Lucioni, Sue Lyons, Jim Moody, Malcolm Ross (Deputy Mayor), Ian Stephens, 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

#### 18/18 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Charles Chapman. Isle of Wight Councillor Vanessa Churchman also gave her apologies.

# 19/18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 20/18 | REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no individual requests for dispensation.

#### 21/18 | **MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 5 February 2018 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Mayor.

### 22/18 | **REPORTS**

The Clerk reported that the police had given their apologies for the meeting. A report had been received for crime figures compared to those for the same time period last year and this would be circulated to all Members shortly.

IW Councillor Adrian Axford reported that the revised Planning Appliction for Ryde School, Queens Road was due to be discussed next week. He also reported that the Isle of Wight Council wished to receive the opinion of Parish and Town Councils on 20mph roads and residents parking zones. Councillor Jim Moody, Chair of Planning, advised that should any information be sent to the Town Council for comment it would be placed on a Planning Committee Agenda.

#### 23/18 | MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Councillor Phil Jordan reported the need for some bespoke training around the upcoming Data Protection and GDPR and how the new regulations may place a greater burden and onus on managing data.

#### 24/18 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced

- he had attended the Ryde Carnival Association Queen's evening.
- he will be hosting a quiz in the Simeon Arms back room to raise money for the Mayor's Charity.
- The Commonwealth flag raising ceremony is scheduled for Monday 12 March at 9:45am and the Mayor encouraged Councillors to attend.

# 25/18 TOWN COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Diana Conyer's report regarding her recent attendance at and IWALC and the North East Locality Health and Wellbeing Forum had been previously circulated.

Councillor Tim Wakeley tabled a report for Network Ryde. He reported since the launch ongoing adjustments were being made to the programme to fit with the very good attendance that was being seen.

Councillor Adrian Axford reported that there had been no great progress with regard to the electricity problems with Ryde Theatre. The Isle of Wight Council were hoping to meet with the owner and Island Roads regarding the possibility of relocating the antennae that was previously used by Shopwatch and Pubwatch. The Isle of Wight Council had indicated that they may fund the cost of this. It was hoped that they would also look at other options to power the clock at the same time.

## 26/18 | FINANCE COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 24 January 2018 were received.

Councillor Tim Wakeley introduced the recommendations arising frin the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 21 February 2018 and it was **RESOLVED that** 

- i. the Risk Assessment Schedule prepared by the Responsible Financial Officer be approved.
- ii. In response the the letter received from the Isle of Wight Council (IWC) regarding the future arrangements for the procurement of the IWC's Grounds Maintenance Contract, Ryde Town Council:

Seeks an extension to the current arrangements for the Town Council's funding contribution to the contract for a further year, up to March 2020, to allow purposeful discussions to take place concerning the longer term management arrangements for the Grounds Maintenance Contract and Principal Parks.

Other recommendations arising from the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 21 February 2018 are referred to later in the minutes.

#### 27/18 | PLANNING COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 23 January 2018 were received.

#### 28/18 | IWALC MEMBERSHIP

RESOLVED that the Town Council's membership subscription to the Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils and the National Association for 2018/2019 at a cost of £2,000 be approved.

### 29/18 HONOURS WORKING PARTY

Councillor Christine Hall introduced the recommendation arising from the Honours Working Party held on 16 February 2018 and it was **RESOLVED** that the Honours Policy be adopted and appended to the Council's Standing Orders.

Other recommendations arising from the Honours Working Party meeting held on 21 February 2018 are referred to later in the minutes.

# 30/18 **TOWN MEETING**

It was noted that the Mayor will call the Town Meeting for local electors at 6pm on Monday 9 April 2018 in Church Hall, Garfield Road Methodist, prior to the scheduled Town Council meeting. It was also noted that the is not the Annual Meeting of the Council, which is held in May.

#### 31/18 | **PAYMENTS**

#### **RESOLVED that**

- i. Payments of those invoices shown on Appendix 1, totalling ££7,330.34 be approved.
- ii. Payment shown on Appendix 2, which have been made under Standing Orders 65 (2) and (3), either by online transfer or by cheque were noted.

#### 32/18 | DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 5 March 2018 – Methodist Church, Garfield Road, Ryde.

### 33/18 | 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 (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 (2) and Standing Order no.80 – contract and data protection matters.

#### 34/18 | FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councillor Tim Akeley introduced the confidential recommendations arising from a meeting of the Finance Committee held on 21 February 2018 in respect of the awarding contracts for

- i. The provision of beach safety and first aid services
- ii. The provision of public conveniences cleansing services

#### It was RESOLVED that

# PUBLIC CONVENIENCE CLEANING AND MINOR MAINTENANCE CONTRACT AWARD

- i. the contract be awarded to Top Mops on the level of service tendered (in line with current service provision) at the annual contract value of £38,861.79 and will increase on the anniversary of the contract by an amount equivalent to the CPI for an initial contract period of 4 years with an option to extend for up to 12 months at the sole discretion and agreement of the Full Council.
- ii. a minimum of three months notice is to be given to the contractor to either extend or terminate the contract at the end of the initial four year term.
- iii. the increase of £10,700 in the cost of the contract be met from Council reserves.

#### BEACH SAFETY AND FIRST AID SERVICE CONTRACT AWARD

- i. the contract be awarded to Waterside Community Trust for the Beach Safety and First Aid at the annual contract value of £21,000.
- ii. the term be for an initial four year period with a potential to extend by up to a maximum of 12 months at the sole discretion and agreement of the Full Council and that a minimum of three months notice is given to the contractor to either extend or terminate the contract at the end of the initial four year term.
- iii. the budget for this service be increased by £1000 for the 2018/2019 financial year and that the shortfall is met from Council reserves.

HONOURS WORKING PARTY
Councillor Christine Hall introduced the confidential recommendation arising from a meeting of the Honours Working Party held on 16 February 2018 and it was RESOLVED that the Freedom of Ryde Town be awarded to Mr John Ackroyd.
The meeting closed at 8:20pm.
Signed Mayor/Chairman
SignedMayor/Chairman
Date