



RYDE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RYDE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 2 FEBRUARY 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, Karen Lucioni, 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

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:

- Memorial to David Knowles
- Ryde Arts Festival – Gave thanks to the Town Council for the recent funding awarded.
- Ryde Theatre
- The renaming of John Street to Minghella Square

13/15 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Gary Taylor

Councillor Malcolm Ross entered the meeting room at 7:14pm.

14/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

15/15 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no individual requests for dispensation.

16/15 MINUTES

RESOLVED the minutes of the meetings held on Monday 12 January 2015 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Mayor.

17/15 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

There were no Members questions.

18/15 REPORTS

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

Sgt Wilford also gave a brief update on how resources will be allocated differently across the Island with effect from 1 April 2015. Local Action Groups would need to feed into this process and a new model of Local Area Action Groups would be likely. A meeting is to be arranged and Councillors would be invited to attend.

19/15 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced

- He had sent a bouquet of flowers to Mrs Hooper for her 112th birthday celebrations
- He had attended a Local Action Group Meeting.
- He had opened the Royal British Legion County Conference.
- He had attended the Ryde Flood Action Group meeting.
- He had attended a Ryde Town Council Planning Committee meeting that had the proposed Pennyfeathers development as an agenda item.
- Had attended a photo shoot for Cycle Tour of Britain which he was pleased to announce would be coming to Ryde on 14 May 2015.
- Had unfortunately apologised to a Ryde Rowing Club function due to a

personal matter.

20/15 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.

21/15 MARITIME VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Dave Dobson, Lynn Peppit and Eric Chestnut gave a presentation on the work of the Maritime Voluntary Service.

22/15 FINANCE COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 26 November 2014 were received.

Members considered the recommendations from the Finance Committee meeting held on 21 January 2015 that relate to the setting of the budget and precept for 2015/2016 it was **RESOLVED that**

1. **The budget as detailed in Appendix A with the addition of a budget line of £2000 for an annual contribution to the Community Rail Partnership be approved.**
2. **A gross precept of £525,500 for the 2015-2016 financial year inclusive of a grant of £50,341.**

23/15 IWALC/NALC SUBSCRIPTION

RESOLVED that the Town Council's membership subscription to the Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils and to the National Association for 2015-2016 at a cost of £1750.00 be approved.

24/15 PLANNING COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 16 December 2014 and 13 January 2015 were received.

25/15 PAYMENTS

RESOLVED that

- i. **Payments of those invoices shown on Appendix 1, totalling £1,068.53 be approved**

26/15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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

27/15 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 – accommodation matters.

28/15 ACCOMMODATION WORKING PARTY

The notes of the meeting of the Accommodation Working Party held on 3 December 2014 were received. These notes contain confidential information.

The meeting closed at 8:05pm.

Signed Mayor/Chairman

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