



RYDE TOWN COUNCIL

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

<p><u>Present</u></p>	<p>Councillors: Adrian Axford, Henry Adams, Charles Chapman, Diana Conyers, Julian Critchley, Michael Lilley, Karen Lucioni, Sue Lyons, Phil Jordan, Jim Moody, Malcolm Ross (Mayor), Ian Stephens, Tim Wakeley and Wayne Whittle.</p>
<p><u>In Attendance</u></p>	<p>Saskia Blackmore, Clerk, Ryde Town Council Adrienne White, Clerk, Ryde Town Council (Minutes)</p>
<p><u>Also Present</u></p>	<p>Members of the Public Isle of Wight Councillor Vanessa Churchman</p>

157/18	<p>APOLOGIES</p> <p>Apologies were received from Councillors Nancy Farrell and Christine Hall.</p>
158/18	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>Councillors Ian Stephens and Charles Chapman declared a non pecuniary interest in agenda item 11 as he is a member of the Isle of Wight Council fire authority. Charles Chapman also mentioned that this applied to all Isle of Wight Councillors present.</p>
159/18	<p>REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS</p> <p>There were no individual requests for dispensation.</p>
160/18	<p>MINUTES</p> <p>RESOLVED that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 1 October 2018 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Mayor.</p>
161/18	<p>REPORTS</p> <p>Apologies were received from the Police. The Clerks reported that a crime report and ASB figures had been received and this will be circulated following the meeting.</p> <p>Questions from Councillor Karen Lucioni had previously been submitted to the police and a response had been given directly.</p>
162/18	<p>MEMBERS' QUESTIONS</p> <p>There were no Members questions.</p>
163/18	<p>MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</p> <p>The Mayor announced that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • he had attended the Harp Festival • he had attended the launch of the Biosphere Mardi Gras • he had attended the rededication of the All Saints War Memorial • he had been presented with a Book of Remembrance

164/18	<p>REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCILLORS</p> <p>Councillors Diana Conyers previously submitted a report to the clerks office and this had been circulated. Paper copies of these reports were available at the meeting.</p> <p>Councillor Karen Lucioni reported that the Ryde in Bloom 2018 award ceremonies for the schools and main competition had gone very well. Councillor Lucioni reported that a sponsor for the 2019 school competition had come forward and arrangements were being made for a launch early next year. Councillor Lucioni gave thanks to the staff for their help and assistance with Ryde in Bloom 2018.</p>
165/18	<p>FINANCE COMMITTEE</p> <p>The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 18 September 2018 were received.</p> <p>Councillor Tim Wakeley introduced the recommendation arising from the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 16 October 2018 and 'the report from the Responsible Financial Officer on the External Audit of the 2018 Annual Governance and Accountability Return and the matters arising from the audit' were noted.</p> <p>Confidential recommendations arising from the meeting held on 16 October 2018 are referred to elsewhere on the minutes.</p>
166/18	<p>PLANNING COMMITTEE</p> <p>The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 11 September 2018 were received.</p>
167/18	<p>CREATION OF A NEW COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY CONSULTATION</p> <p>The response submitted by the Mayor to the Chief Fire Officer regarding the proposal to create a new combined fire authority was noted.</p>
168/18	<p>HONOURS WORKING PARTY</p> <p>The minutes of the Honours Working Party meetings held on 4 July and 6 August were received.</p>
169/18	<p>PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS</p> <p>The letter from the Isle of Wight Council requesting comments regarding the proposals for the new Public Space Protection Order ,prior to a formal consultation process being carried out in the spring by the Isle of Wight Council, was considered. Many comments were made by Members and it was agreed that this agenda item be referred to the Town Council's Planning Committee so that they can undertake some consultation prior</p>

	<p>to collating the views received. Any recommendations would then be considered at Decembers Full Council meeting prior to submission to the Isle of Wight Council before the 15 December 2018.</p>
170/18	<p>FLAGPOLE</p> <p>A request from the Isle of Wight Council to take on responsibility for the flagpole(s) located next to the pumping station, North Walk was considered. Members noted that neither pole was currently in use and neither pole were in a usable presentable condition. It was RESOLVED that the kind invitation to take on the flagpoles in their current state be declined.</p> <p>The Clerks agreed to make an enquiry to the Isle of Wight Council as to the state of the flags around the harbour.</p>
171/18	<p>NOTICE OF MOTION 04/18</p> <p>Councillors Diana Conyers and Michael Lilley introduced the Notice of Motion 04/18 in respect of the Town Council expressing opposition to the proposed withdrawal of the Isle of Wight Council’s Local Area Coordination service, on the grounds that it will have a negative impact on the Island’s most vulnerable residents and increase the pressure on health and welfare services for consideration. Following a lengthy discussion and a number of differing views being expressed it was RESOLVED that the Clerks write to the Isle of Wight Council Cabinet Member prior to the IW Cabinet meeting on Thursday to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the valuable work being done by the Ryde Local Area Coordinator 2. Oppose the proposed withdrawal of the Local Area Coordination service 3. Consider that the proposed withdrawal would have a negative impact on the wellbeing of the Island’s most vulnerable residents ad increase the pressure on our already overstretched health and welfare services.
172/18	<p>NOTICE OF MOTION 05/18</p> <p>Councillor Karen Lucioni introduced the Notice of Motion 05/18 in respect of the Town Council leading as an example of good practice in improving access for the deaf at Full Council meetings. A suggestion by Councillor Tim Wakeley that the Notice of Motion be widened to improve access for the sensory impaired was agreed by the proposer and it was RESOLVED that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ryde Town Council establish a working party to seek realistic, affordable and achievable solutions for the sensory impaired to access Full Council meetings • That Councillors Karen Lucioni, Sue Lyons, Ian Stephens and Tim Wakeley be appointed to the working party.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That any recommendations from the working party return to a future Full Council meeting for consideration. It was noted that at this point the Town Council will also need to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consider any proposal going forward as a result of the above as part of the budget setting process 2. Consider the Town Council’s Contract Standing Orders in relation to procurement in any process going forward.
173/18	<p>REMEMBRANCE 2018</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the budget spend of around £250 be approved for Remembrance 2018 in Ryde as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. for wreaths to be purchased to be laid on behalf of the Town Council at Ryde, Ashey and Binstead for Armistice Day. ii. for a wreath to be purchased to be laid on behalf of the Town Council for the rededication of the All Saints Church War Memorial on 4 November 2018 iii. for a donation to be made to the Poppy Appeal if any monies are unspent following the above purchases <p>The budget spend will be made using the General Power of Competence. It was noted that information regarding the arrangement for this year’s parade and wreath layings had previously been circulated to all Ryde Town Councillors and Staff.</p>
174/18	<p>PAYMENTS</p> <p>RESOLVED that</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Payments of those invoices shown on Appendix 1, totalling £42,806.42 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.
175/18	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 3 December 2018 –Methodist Church, Garfield Road, Ryde.</p>
176/18	<p>EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that 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 – contract matters – the nature of the contract being awarded is set out below with the amount being confidential at this stage.</p>

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councillor Tim Wakeley introduced the confidential recommendations arising from a meeting of the Finance Committee held on 16 October 2018 in respect of the awarding of a contract for the replacement of Wallgate units at the St. John's Road public conveniences. Councillor Tim Wakeley reported that additional information had come to light earlier in the day and as such the recommendations contained within the report, although proposed, did not receive a seconder and thus fell. It was subsequently **RESOLVED that**

- i. The hand washing facilities in St Johns Road Public conveniences be replaced**
- ii. The funding for this be met from reserves in the current financial year.**
- iii. Before the contract for the replacement of the hand washing facilities is awarded by the Finance Committee that the committee explore any other options available.**

The meeting closed at 8:40pm.

Signed.....Mayor/Chairman

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