



## **RYDE TOWN COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RYDE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 4 JULY 2016 IN THE RYDE METHODIST CHURCH, GARFIELD ROAD, RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT COMMENCING AT 7:00PM**

**Present:** Councillors: Henry Adams (Mayor), Adrian Axford, Conrad Gauntlett, Karen Lucioni, Roi Milburn, David Moore, Jill Moore, Malcolm Ross, Sandy Stephens, Tim Wakeley, Phil Warren, Wayne Whittle and David Woodward.

#### **In Attendance**

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

#### **Also Present**

Isle of Wight County Press Reporter  
Lisa Toyne, Community Action Isle of Wight  
Members of the Public

#### **Public Question Time**

Questions were raised about the following

- My Life a Full Life
- Uneven pavement in need of repair in the High Street

#### 103/16 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Michael Lilley, Ian Stephens and Ivor Warlow..

#### 104/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 105/16 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no individual requests for dispensations.

#### 106/16 MINUTES

**RESOLVED the minutes of the Annual meeting held on Monday 6 June 2016 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Mayor subject to the inclusion of Councillor Ivor Warlow in the attendance list.**

#### 107/16 MEMBERS QUESTIONS

Councillor Adrian Axford asked if the picture of the ducks being fed could be removed from the Town Council website as public should be discouraged from feeding the ducks. The clerks agreed to request the administrative change.

Councillor David Woodward asked if the Isle of Wight Council may consider letting the Town Council site the photo's and names of all the Mayors that used to be in the Town Hall Council Chamber at 10 Lind Street upon completion of the office refurbishment. The Clerks agreed to make the enquiry to the Isle of Wight Council.

#### 108/16 REPORTS

There was no police report.

Councillor Wayne Whittle announced the Ryde Slide event in Union Street on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

#### 109/16 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced that

- he had attended flag raising ceremony for the Her Majesty the Queen's birthday celebrations.
- he had attended Armed Forces Day and he thanked Councillor David Moore for his involvement with the organisational committee for putting on an excellent parade.
- he had attended the flag raising for the winning flag in the Ryde in Bloom Winter School competition.
- he had attended a music evening for the launch of Ryde Arts Festival

at Aspire.

- he had attended a musical festival at Vernon Square, along with Councillors Malcolm Ross, Phil Warren and Wayne Whittle. The Mayor reported that Vernon Square Trust had given thanks to Ryde Town Council for the funding award.
- he had judged the Sandcastle Competition organised by North Island Cluster Churches.
- he had opened the childrens playground at Aspire.

#### 110/16 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCILLORS

Councillors Roi Milburn and Phil Warren had attended the Mardi Gras event organised by the New Carnival Company, but unfortunately due to storms the event had to be cancelled.

Councillor David Moore gave a report on the Armed Forces Day Event. The organisational committee planned to have a debrief and discussion for the 2017 event in the near future.

Councilor David Moore had attended a PACT meeting (Police and Community Together) where local issues were discussed to help decide on which priorities the neighbourhood police should tackle. The Mayor and Councillor Wayne Whittle also attended.

Councilor Adrian Axford had visited the Methodist Church and was pleased to report an increase in community engagement due to the impressive range of community events held there.

#### 111/16 AGE FRIENDLY ISLAND

Lisa Toyne, Community Action IOW gave a presentation on the Age Friendly Island Project.

**Councillors Michael Lilley, Karen Lucioni and David Woodward were appointed as Age Friendly Champions to represent the ethos of the project throughout the Town Council.**

#### 112/16 DISPOSAL OF ST. THOMAS'S HERITAGE CENTRE

Consideration was given to whether the Town Council wishes to make any representation to the Isle of Wight Council (IWC) in respect of a proposed disposal of St. Thomas's Street Heritage Centre and it was **RESOLVED that**

**In response to the invitation to comment on the proposed disposal of St Thomas's Heritage Centre Ryde Town Council asked that IWC consider the following:**

**That the IWC be asked to ensure that the preferred bidder has a sustainable and deliverable business plan for the property in order to ensure that it is properly maintained and has a viable future. The Town Council is keen to ensure that the property is not sold only for it to be run down, either through lack of interest or for future commercial gain'**

113/16 FINANCE COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 27 April 2016 were received.

The recommendation arising from a meeting of the Finance Committee held on 1 June 2016 was considered and it was **RESOLVED that £200,000 be transferred to a Lloyds 18 month fixed interest rate account for treasury management purposes.**

114/16 PLANNING COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 17 May 2016 were received.

115/16 PAYMENTS

**RESOLVED that**

- i. **Payments of those invoices shown on Appendix 1, totalling £27,454.38 be approved.**
- ii. **Payments shown on Appendix 2, which have been made under Standing Orders 65 (2) and (3), either by BACS or by cheque were noted.**

116/16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 4 July 2016 – Methodist Church, Garfield Road, Ryde.

117/16 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 matters.

118/16 SKATEPARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The confidential notes of the meeting of the Skatepark Management Committee held on 26 March 2016 were received.

The meeting closed at 7:55pm.

Signed ..... Mayor/Chairman

Date.....

