



## **RYDE TOWN COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RYDE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 6 MARCH 2017 IN THE RYDE METHODIST CHURCH, GARFIELD ROAD, RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT COMMENCING AT 7:00PM**

**Present:** Councillors: Adrian Axford, Henry Adams (Mayor), Conrad Gauntlett, Michael Lilley, Karen Lucioni, Roi Milburn, Jill Moore, Malcolm Ross, Ian Stephens, 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  
Members of the Public  
Police

**Public Question Time** Questions were raised about the following:

- Pubwatch and Shopwatch made enquiries about the antenna electricity supply located within Ryde Theatre.
- Harp on Wight gave thanks to the Town Council for the grant funding and invited two members to attend the Harp Recital at Ryde Academy on Monday 27 March.
- IW Pride gave thanks to the Town Council for the grant funding and gave an update on plans for the event.

35/17 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors David Moore and Ivor Warlow.

36/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

37/17 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no individual requests for dispensations.

38/17 MINUTES

**RESOLVED the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6 February 2017 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Mayor.**

39/17 MEMBERS QUESTIONS

Councillor Michael Lilley spoke about the proposed plans to sell or lease Ryde Arena building and proposed that the Town Council officially support the Ryde Arena Action Group.

Councillor Axford explained that the Town Council were unable to vote on a proposal that was not an agenda item and informed Cllr Lilley that a number of individual Members were already supporting the group.

Councillor Wayne Whittle, Town and Isle of Wight Council Councillor, informed the Council that Ryde Arena fell within his Portfolio and that the Isle of Wight Council were currently pursuing lease arrangements. They were also involved in discussions with Sport England about the future of Ryde Arena and leisure for the Isle of Wight.

40/17 REPORTS

Inspector Dunlop provided an update on the work of the North East Wight Team as follows:

- Community Mapping – who lives in the area and the needs
- Role around Safeguarding and the behind the scenes work that has to be carried out on a personal basis
- Night Time Economy and the meeting which Cllr Michael Lilley also attends

Councillor Micheal Lilley asked if thanks could be passed on to PCSO Steve Hull for his help with Speedwatch in the Ryde East Ward.

Councillor Axford raised concerns with the Night Time Econmy for the Town Centre and hoped that the Police may be able to concentrate on this area as a priority.

Councillor Ian Stephens asked if the Police wor closely with Social Services when dealing wth Safeguarding concerns and hoped that Speedwatch may be

able to become an initiative across all Ryde wards.

#### 41/17 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced that

- he had attended the launch for Isle of Wight Day 2017 and was pleased to report that the parade would be held in Ryde on 23 September 2017.
- he and Councillor Wakeley had addressed the IW Youth Forum about the Mayors Civic Role and the future Youth Services in Ryde. Both had been well received by students and the organisers of the event.

#### 42/17 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCILLORS

Councillor Phil Warren, Ryde in Bloom Chair updated the Town Council on the proposed plans to not enter South and South East in Bloom for 2017 and concentrate only on the local Ryde in Bloom competition for schools and residents. Entry into South & South East in Bloom was an all or nothing approach and it was felt that priority lied wwith the devolved services being taken on by the Town Council this year. It was acknowledged that this was a sensible approach for 2017.

Councillor Adrian Axford was pleased to report that Ryde North West Councillors (Cllrs Adrian Axford, Jill Moore and David Woodward) had all met to support three local organisations by donating their ward allocations as follows:

- £250 Phoenix Project
- £250 Alzheimers Café
- £250 Ryde Street Pastors

Councillor Tim Wakeley informed the Town Council that the Planning Committee meeting was scheduled for 7pm on 14 March 2017 at 10 Lind Street and not as reported in the Beacon.

Councillor Roi Milburn reported that he, along with the Mayor and Councillor Tim Wakeley had visited Aspire to look at their future plans.

Councillor Roi Milburn was pleased to have been invited to attend an opening session for the Isle of Wight Music, Dance and Drama Festival and was very much looking forward to attending the performance.

Councillor Tim Wakeley had attended an Isle of wight Association of Local Councils meeting with the Leader of the Isle of Wight Council and the MP with regard to concerns and matters of interests to Town and Parish Councils across the Island.

Councillor Jill Moore gave an update on Armed Forces Day on behalf of Councillor David Moore.

43/17 FINANCE COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Finance Committee meetings held on 25 January 2017 were received.

44/17 WARD ALLOCATION

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held on 15 February 2017 it was agreed that the final opportunity for ward allocations to be made for the 2016/2017 budget year would be the March Full Council meeting. The Council considered the applications received and it was **RESOLVED that the following grant requests be approved.**

Name of Councillor	Councillor Tim Wakeley, Binstead
Name of Organisation	1 <sup>st</sup> Binstead 1 <sup>st</sup> Ryde Scouts
Purpose of Organisation	The personal development and well being of young people
Purpose to which the award will be put and how this benefits the local community (this will be reported to the Council by the ward member)	The purchase of new camping equipment for use by young people
Amount of Grant Request	£250

Name of Councillor	Councillor Karen Lucioni, Ryde South
Name of Organisation	New Carnival Company (will be ring-fenced for The Oakvale Carnival Club only for the Mardi Gras in June)
Purpose of Organisation	To engage with people and communities to create potential by bringing out the very best in people
Purpose to which the award will be put and how this benefits the local community (this will be reported to the the Council by the ward member)	After a very successful event which was match funded by Southern Housing last year, the community have come together and more children/families are now involved. Through this time community sprit has motivated the area to form their own Carnival club. The project is again match funded with Southern Housing. Confidence building, community engagement, pride and other transferrable skills are some of the amazing outcomes that come from the ward allocation. Please note this area is one of the most deprived on the Island and need our support.
Amount of Grant Request	£250

Name of Councillor	Councillor Malcolm Ross, Haylands
Name of Organisation	Viva Carnival Club
Purpose of Organisation	Integrated carnival club for disabled and non-disabled adults
Purpose to which the award will be put and how this benefits the local community (this will be reported to the Council by the ward member)	To enable expansion of club activity
Amount of Grant Request	£150

Name of Councillor	Councillor Malcolm Ross, Haylands
Name of Organisation	IW Pride
Purpose of Organisation	To organise IW Pride parade in Ryde on 15 July 2017
Purpose to which the award will be put and how this benefits the local community (this will be reported to the the Council by the ward member)	To support the parade in Ryde
Amount of Grant Request	£100

Name of Councillor	Councillor Ian Stephens, Ryde West
Name of Organisation	Red Squirrel Dell
Purpose of Organisation	Conservation/Wellbeing
Purpose to which the award will be put and how this benefits the local community (this will be reported to the Council by the ward member)	Conservation area and woodlands with work undertaken by local community – working with Ryde Academy and Haylands School. Level 4 Award Neighbourhood South and South East in Bloom for years. Ongoing with schools.
Amount of Grant Request	£250

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#### GENERAL PURPOSES WORKING PARTY

The notes of the General Purposes Working Party meeting held on 19 January 2017 were received and the recommendation made by the Working Party at a meeting held on 24 February 2017 was considered. It was **RESOLVED** that

- i. **the recommendations contained in the attached report on Public Convenience Cleaning - Scale of Charges to Third Parties for Additional Cleaning be agreed.**

Councillor Tim Wakley announced that two funding applications had been made for Youth Services and was pleased to report that one had been successful and the Isle of Wight Council would soon be confirming by letter the award of £20,000.

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#### IWALC/NALC SUBSCRIPTION

It was **RESOLVED** that the Town Council's membership subscription to the Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils and to the National Association for 2017/2018 at a cost of £1800 be approved.

47/17 PLANNING COMMITTEE

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 17 and 31 January 2017 were received.

48/17 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

It was noted that due to the announcement of the commencement date of the pre election 'purdah' period the Annual Town Meeting for local electors will now take place at 6pm on Monday 20 March 2017 in Church Hall, Garfield Road Methodist Church.

49/17 PAYMENTS

**RESOLVED that**

- i. Payments of those invoices shown on Appendix 1, totalling £3951.74 be approved.**
- ii. Payments shown on Appendix 2, which have been made under Standing Orders 65 (2) and (3), either by online transfer or by cheque were noted.**

50/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 3 April 2017 – Methodist Church, Garfield Road, Ryde.

51/17 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 – contract matters.

52/17 ONBOARD TV – CONTRACT WAIVER

It was noted that at the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 15 february 2017 the Committee agreed approval for a waiver of the Council's contract standing orders and that the Clerk to the Council be given authority to award the contract to Onboard TV for the Ryde Promotiional film for the period 18 April 2017 to 2 April 2018. A copy of the confidential background report was available to Councillors. (Section 1.4.2 (iv) of the Town Council's Contract Standing Orders applies).

The meeting closed at 8:10pm.

Signed ..... Mayor/Chairman

Date.....



