

# TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of **TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL** held on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2009** in Telscombe Civic Centre at 7.30 pm.

## **PRESENT**

Councillors: Mr R Maskell (**Mayor**)  
Mr P Howson (**Deputy Mayor**)  
Mr T Armour, Ms L Hallett  
Mr J Harris, Mr D Neighbour  
Mr B Page, Mr J Livings  
Mr A Smith, Mr T Banning

## **APOLOGIES**

Councillors: Mrs B Sawyers, Mr J Page, Ms M Pepper

The meeting was adjourned at 7.30 pm to take questions from members of the public.

*Members of the public were invited to address the meeting by the Chairman. A resident raised a query in respect of no Town Council members being present at the recent East Sussex planning meeting concerning the Tye bunding. The Deputy Mayor said he had been advised not to attend by ESCC officers, as it could be prejudicial. A query was raised in respect of the decision of the Town Council to support the County Council's proposals and the Clerk undertook to give a written response. The Town Council's request to the District Council for the removal of the air-monitoring unit from the front of the Civic Centre was questioned. The Chairman advised that the unit was considered unsightly and that an alternative site had been located. In response to a further question the Chairman advised the alternative site was closer to the new incinerator. Concerns were raised in respect of lorry traffic associated with the incinerator and the need to ensure that heavy good vehicles do not go through residential areas to access the site. Concerns were expressed in respect of the vulnerability of the Tye when the bunding is removed. It was noted that the presence of the bunding had not prevented previous illegal incursions. The Issue of building materials deposited on the verge of Telscombe Cliffs Way was raised in the context of a safety issue and damage to the verge. The Police had been contacted with regard to the lack of warning lights but no action had been taken. The Deputy Mayor agreed to take the issue up with the local Police Sergeant. The Clerk was requested to contact the County Council highways department to establish if a licence had been granted for the materials in Telscombe Cliffs Way.*

## 425. **TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF PREJUDICIAL AND PERSONAL INTEREST**

None.

## 426. **TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JULY 2009**

The minutes of the above meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman.

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## 427. MATTERS ARISING

None

## 428. REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES: -

### (a) POLICY AND RESOURCES WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2009

The Chairman being absent the Vice Chairman requested that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted. Seconded by Cllr Neighbour and it was

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted.

### (b) AMENITIES AND CIVIC CENTRE WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2009

The Chairman requested that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted. Seconded by Cllr Smith and it was

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted.

### (c) PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2009

The Chairman requested that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted. Seconded by Cllr Howson and it was

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted

### (d) TELSCOMBE VILLAGE CLUB WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY

The Chairman proposed and the meeting **agreed** that the minutes from the above sub Committee meeting be referred to the Policy and Resources Committee for approval.

### (e) PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2009

The Chairman requested that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted. Seconded by Cllr Howson and it was

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted

### (f) PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS WEDNESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2009

The Chairman requested that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted. Seconded by Cllr Howson and it was

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted

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## 429. NOTIFICATION OF PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS TO 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2009

**RESOLVED** that payments of £22,779.33 for July 2009 be approved and receipts of £3,150.35 for July 2009 be noted and that payments of £15,707.16 for August 2009 be approved and receipts of £2,716.45 for August 2009 be noted.

## 430. TO NOTE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS TO 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2009

**RESOLVED** the income and expenditure accounts for the Council to 31st August 2009 be noted

## 431. TO APPROVE MEETING DATES FOR JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2010

The Meeting considered a draft diary of meetings for the period January to December 2010. The meeting considered that the Wednesday dates proposed for the Policy and Resources Committee meetings and the Wednesday dates proposed for the Amenities and Civic Centre meetings clashed with District Council meeting dates and it was

**RESOLVED** that the meeting dates for both committees should be moved to the Monday prior to the proposed Wednesday dates and a new meeting diary issued.

## 432. TO APPROVE THE COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT

It was noted that some of the Councillor photos could be updated and members were requested to provide new photos to the Clerk as soon as possible if they wished them to be updated. It was suggested that the chart of the Councils Committees and Sub Committees on page 3 of the draft should be annotated to show the number of ex-officio members on each committee, and this was agreed.

## 433. TO NOTE DECISION BY ESCC PLANNING COMMITTEE ON 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER RE TYE BUNDING

The meeting discussed the recent decision of the County Council planning committee in respect of removing the bunding from the Tye. The Clerk was requested to confirm that the contribution to removal had been capped even though 100% of the bunding was not being removed under the existing proposals. The Meeting also requested that Mr Milton from Abbeylands be invited to present his report on the Tye to a formal meeting of the Council. It was agreed he should be invited to the next Policy and Resources or full Council meeting.

## 434. TO CONSIDER SUBSCRIPTIONS OF £40.00 IN RESPECT OF THE OPEN SPACES SOCIETY

The Meeting considered the annual subscription request from The Open spaces Society and it was proposed Chairman seconded by the Vice Chairman by and

**RESOLVED** that the Council does not subscribe to the Open Spaces Society

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## 435. TO CONSIDER SUBSCRIPTION OF £50.00 IN RESPECT OF LEWES DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

After consideration of the application by the meeting IT was proposed by Cllr Neighbour seconded by Cllr Howson and

**RESOLVED** that the £50.00 annual subscription to The Lewes District of Local Councils be paid

## 436. REPORTS FROM: -

### (a) THE MAYOR

The Mayor advised he had nothing to report.

### (b) THE DEPUTY MAYOR

The Deputy Mayor advised he had nothing to report.

### (c) COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Livings reported that he had obtained a breakdown of the proposed local spending from the £2,394,000 that had been allocated for the County Highway budget for 2009 /2010. He was pleased to advise the meeting that £250,000 (approx 10.3%) had been allocated for works in Peacehaven and Telscombe. Cllr Livings advised of forthcoming road closures and diversions in particular those associated with Longridge Avenue. Cllr Livings also advised he had received some information from the County Council highways department in respect of the condition of Gorham Lane and proposals for 30mph signage and this would be discussed at the next Village Club meeting. Councillors Howson reported that the parking issues associated with Longridge Avenue were being addressed to bring the East Sussex side of the road in line with the Brighton side. .

### (d) DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

It was reported that the District Council's Scrutiny Committee would be examining issues associated with community safety.

### (e) REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllr Livings commended the value of the two towns forum which now had twenty members and met at 12.30 on the third Friday of the month at Peacehaven library.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

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Signed .....  
Mayor, Cllr R Maskell

NB The next Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2009** commencing at **7.30 pm.**