

# TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of a meeting of **TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL** held on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2016** in Telscombe Civic Centre at 7.30 pm.

**PRESENT:-** Cllr T Armour, Cllr W Botting, Cllr J Harris, Cllr G Maskell, Cllr B Page, Cllr D Wright

**Also present:** Nancy Astley, Town Clerk - Stella Newman, Deputy Clerk/RFO(*minutes*)  
Cllr P Howson, ESCC

## **1054. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Mr Peter Seed asked if a site for the second to last item on the CIL wish list had been identified and the Town Clerk advised him this was purely a wish list at this stage. Regarding the last item on the CIL wish list, Mr Seed asked what the progress was on allotments. The Town Clerk advised that a working party had been formed and possible sites were being looked at.

## **1055. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs D Brindley and A Mendoza due to work commitments, Cllrs J Wilkins and D Neave due to another engagement and Cllrs A Loraine, R Maskell and A Smith as they were attending a meeting in Lewes. These reasons for absence were accepted.

## **1056. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

## **1057. TO APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2015**

Min 1050 (d), p 2411 – it was noted that in the final sentence, the meeting that Mary Mears and chaired was the ‘Rottingdean & W Saltdean Local Action Team’ not a SRA meeting and it was requested that this wording be added, which it was.

The Council considered the minutes from the rest of the meeting and it was proposed by Cllr D Wright, seconded by Cllr J Harris and unanimously

**RESOLVED** that they were a true record of the proceedings and were signed as correct by the Mayor.

## **1058. MATTERS ARISING FOR NOTING**

Min 1050 (c) Cllr P Howson from ESCC advised that they have no kerbstones in store.

## **1059. TO RECEIVE MINUTES FROM THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:-**

### **(a) Planning & Highways – 30<sup>th</sup> November & 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015**

In the absence of the Committee Chairman, Cllr G Maskell requested that the minutes of the above meetings be accepted and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes be accepted and recommendations adopted.

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## **1060. NOTIFICATION OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE TO 30<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2015**

The actual year to date figures at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015 for all committees and earmarked reserves being expenditure of £198,077 and income of £300,710 were accepted.

## **1061. TO APPROVE PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS FOR DECEMBER 2015**

Payments of £25,776.39 for 1<sup>st</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> December 2015 were proposed as correct by Cllr B Page, seconded by Cllr J Harris, unanimously agreed and signed as accurate by the Mayor. Receipts of £4,622.53 for 1<sup>st</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> December 2015 were noted.

## **1062. SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS**

A list of subscription renewals that were due and been circulated to Councillors and it was proposed by Cllr B Page, seconded by Cllr D Wright and

**RESOLVED** that the following subscriptions be renewed:- Campaign to Protect Rural England, South Downs Land Management and Peacehaven Chamber of Commerce.

## **1063. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY**

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) in the Lewes District Charging Area started on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015. As part of the preparatory work on the governance and spending aspect of CIL, Lewes DC have produced the CIL Bidding Form which is in the process of being made available online with associated guidance notes. Bids will be accepted twice a year. As part of the bidding guidance, Telscombe has been requested by Lewes DC to provide a wish list of infrastructure improvements it wishes to see progressed. The Town Clerk had drawn up a wish list which had been discussed with both the town's Tenants and Residents Associations. It was therefore proposed by Cllr T Armour, seconded by Cllr J Harris and

**RESOLVED** that the preliminary wish list drawn up by the Town Clerk be approved and sent to Lewes DC in preparation for bidding in June 2016.

## **1064. INSURANCE RENEWAL**

The Town Clerk advised that we are about to enter the third year of a 3 year agreement. The premium has increased slightly due to an increase in the 'insurance premium tax' (IPT). However, the brokers have given the option of undertaking a new 5 year agreement which would be subject to a 5% discount in the first year and include a free building insurance evaluation. Following discussion it was proposed by Cllr D Wright, seconded by Cllr J Harris and

**RESOLVED** that the insurance be renewed for the third year only at a cost of £3,754.82 plus a £15 admin fee which includes cover for Tyefest.

## **1065. REPORTS FROM:-**

a) **The Mayor:-** Cllr W Botting informed the Council that he had attended the Christmas coffee morning at the Civic Centre which had been attended by approximately 60 people. He thanked Nancy Astley, Town Clerk for her assistance on the morning. He had also attended the Christmas carol service at St Laurence Church in Telscombe Village and thanked Cllr R Maskell for being Father Christmas at the party afterwards in the Village Club.

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## 1065. Contd. Reports From:-

### a) The Mayor (Contd)

The Mayor also attended the Christmas dinner at Kempton House which unfortunately was poorly attended and he ended by advising that the memory garden construction is due to start soon.

b) The Deputy Mayor:- Cllr G Maskell had nothing to report.

c) County Councillors:- Cllr P Howson advised that he had given a written report to the Town Clerk which could be inspected at the Council offices. He did, however, advise that East Sussex County Council need to make £70.2m savings over the next 4 years which will result in massive cuts taking place.

d) District Councillors:- There were no District Councillors present.

e) Outside Bodies:- Cllr J Harris advised that Crimestoppers are moving forward on domestic violence. He also advised that they are to hold a social event at the Grand Hotel and he could provide details to anyone that is interested.

## 1066. URGENT MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN FOR NOTING AND/OR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE AGENDA

The Town Clerk advised that SALC have arranged a 3 Southern Counties Devolution briefing event and if anyone else is interested, she may be able to get them booked in.

There being no further business the Mayor closed the meeting at 7.56pm.

Signed.....  
Mayor, Cllr W Botting