

TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of the Meeting of **TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL** held on **Wednesday 20th December 2017** in Telscombe Civic Centre at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT:- Cllrs T Armour, D Brindley *Deputy Mayor*, G Maskell, R Maskell, A Mendoza, D Neave, B Page, A Smith, J Wilkins *Mayor*, D Wright

Also present: Stella Newman, Deputy Clerk/RFO (*minutes*)

1284. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from the public present.

1285. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr W Botting due to work commitments, Cllr A Loraine due to annual leave and Cllr J Harris due to ill health and these reasons for absence were accepted.

1286. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

1287. TO DISCUSS & APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2017

It was proposed by Cllr D Neave, seconded by Cllr G Maskell and unanimously **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting on 15th November were a true record of the proceedings and were signed as correct by the Mayor, Cllr J Wilkins.

1288. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES FOR NOTING

Min 1279, p 2700 Urgent Matters – Cllr G Maskell advised that the damaged pavement at the bottom of Telscombe Cliffs Way had been repaired.

Min 1279, p 2700 Urgent Matters – Cllr B Page apologised for not attending the recent Legion D'Honneur presentation ceremony.

1289. TO APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:-

(a) Planning & Highways – 6th November 2017

Cllr Neave proposed that the minutes of the meeting on 6th November be accepted and the recommendations adopted, seconded by Cllr A Mendoza and **RESOLVED** that the minutes be accepted and recommendations adopted.

1290. TO APPROVE PAYMENTS & RECEIPTS FOR OCTOBER 2017

Payments for October 2017 of £21,724.01 and receipts of £9,348.43 were proposed as correct by Cllr A Smith, seconded by Cllr D Wright, unanimously **agreed** and signed as accurate by the Mayor.

7.35pm Cllr T Armour arrived and joined the meeting.

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1291. REPORTS FROM:-

County Councillor:- Cllr Smith advised that there is to be discussion regarding a possible Rottingdean relief road to try and sort out the pinch point. He also advised that ESCC's issues are regarding funding.

District Councillors:- Cllr Smith advised that the new recycling bins are proving popular and producing increased amounts of recycling.

Cllr Neave advised that there had been a major fire at the former Grays School in Newhaven and that planning permission had been granted for the site. He also advised that the Lower Hodder Farm development in Peacehaven had been deferred.

Cllr R Maskell advised some statistics:- that a survey of rough sleepers showed one registered in Lewes District and 41 in Eastbourne; 1062 people are on the housing waiting list with 32 on Band D (they are housed but want to move) which will be removed shortly; 78 families are in temporary accommodation; there are 497 applications for a one bedroom property and he ended by advising that the quotations have been received for Ashington Gardens.

Representatives on Outside Bodies:-

Telscombe Residents Association – Cllr Neave advised that the official opening of footpath 12a had recently taken place and that the Ramblers Association were very happy. He also advised that the recent Race Night had been a great success.

Mayor:- Cllr Wilkins advised that she had been very busy since the last meeting having been on a tour of the Brighton Police cells; she had attended the TRA race night which was great fun and she thanked them for their kind donation to her charity fund of £320; she had been to the opening of footpath 12a, the Legion d'Honneur presentation and the Rotary Club seniors Christmas party with Cllr Brindley and despite the fact that unfortunately their presence wasn't mentioned in the press, they had definitely been there. Finally she had visited the Christmas lights in a property in Woodlands Close that are raising funds for Raystede which is also one of her nominated charities.

Deputy Mayor:- Cllr Brindley advised that he had also attended the Legion d'Honneur presentation and the Rotary Club seniors Christmas party.

Cllr Neave then made a request to the Mayor to speak which she granted. Cllr Neave thanked staff members individually for their support during his time as a Councillor. He then advised that following a recent sleepless night he had come to a decision and asked the Mayor to accept his immediate resignation as a Telscombe Councillor and he left the meeting.

Cllr G Maskell advised she had forgot to mention that she attended the recent Scouts carol concert as both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor were unavailable.

1292. URGENT MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN FOR NOTING

None.

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1293. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to exclude the Press and Public from the meeting during consideration of items pursuant to section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reasons of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

1294. TO APPROVE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING ON 15th NOVEMBER 2017

It was proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr G Maskell and unanimously **RESOLVED** that the confidential minutes of the meeting on 15th November were a true record of the proceedings and were signed as correct by the Mayor, Cllr J Wilkins.

1295. TO APPROVE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING ON 6th NOVEMBER 2017

As the Chairman of the Committee, Cllr D Neave had just resigned and left the meeting and the Vice-Chairman was absent due to illness, Cllr A Mendoza requested that the confidential minutes of the meeting on 6th November be accepted and the recommendations contained therein be adopted, seconded by Cllr t Armour and **RESOLVED** that the minutes be accepted and recommendations adopted.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.57 pm.

Signed.....
Mayor, Cllr J Wilkins