



RAMSGATE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Amenities Committee

Venue: The Council Chamber, the Custom House, Harbour Parade, Ramsgate.

Date: Wednesday 24 October 2018

Present: Councillors; Campbell, Connor, Falcon, Hartley, S Piper, Shonk, and Young.

Also in attendance; E. Richford – Deputy Town Clerk (RFO).

108 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Brown, J Fairbrass, L Fairbrass, Larkins, Martin, L Piper, and Stummer-Schmertzing.

109 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared.

110 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 June 2018 (minutes 020 to 025) were agreed as a true record with an amendment to show Cllr Hartley in attendance.

Proposed by Cllr Campbell, seconded by Cllr Rev S Piper.

RESOLVED

111 **AMENITIES COMMITTEE BUDGET**

The committee considered the report from the Deputy Town Clerk.

Proposed by Cllr Campbell, seconded by Cllr Shonk that the following 2019-20 budget recommendations are taken to the Finance and General Purposes committee for recommendation to Council;

Civic:

2018/19 Budget:	£15,000.00.
Recommendation:	No increase for 2019-20.

Allotments:

2018/19 Budget:	£18,000.00.
Recommendation:	No increase for 2019-20.

Town Improvemnets:

2018/19 Budget: £28,000.00.

Recommendation: **£30,000.00 Revenue for 2019-20 with Capital spend being ad hoc and via committee.**

It was also agreed that the Lengthsmen be thanked for their work and further advertising be put in place via the website and social media along with a poster of photographs put in the VIC area at the Custom House.

Decorative Lighting:

2018/19 Budget: £24,600.00.

Recommendation: **£25,500.00 for 2019-20.**

Event Fund:

2018/19 Budget: £60,000.00.

Recommendation: **£60,000.00 for 2019-20 with £5,000.00 of this budget being earmarked to go towards the 200 year Royal Harbour celebrations in 2021. A further £5,000.00 from the residue of the 2018-19 budget to also be earmarked for the same event.**

Proposed by Cllr Campbell, seconded by Cllr Young that the following 2019-20 budget recommendation is also taken to the Finance and General Purposes committee for recommendation to Council;

Allotments Rent:

Recommendation: **No increase for 2019-20.**

RESOLVED

112 **ALLOTMENTS REPORT**

The committee received the report from the Deputy Town Clerk.

Proposed by Cllr Campbell, seconded by Cllr Shonk that

The report is noted with a report to be brought back to the committee on the purchase / lease of land for allotments within the Parish to satisfy the waiting list / need for allotments. The report to include costings.

With reference to the incident with a Site Representative, a formal letter to be sent to the tenant as a final warning. The tenant to be advised that the rules of the allotment site also apply to family and friends and that any further incident will result in the tenancy being terminated. The tenant to be advised that the Site Representative acts under instruction by the office and that any issues should be raised with officers and not the Site Representative.

RESOLVED

113 **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

The committee considered the report from the Town Clerk.

Proposed by Cllr Campbell, seconded by Cllr Young that that;

The TDC charges for opening the toilets off peak as detailed in the report to be sent to the Tunnels for them to pay if they wish to go ahead. The matter to be between the Tunnels and TDC.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.25 pm.