



Ramsgate Town Council

MINUTES

MEETING: Council.

MEETING DATE: 4th May 2016.

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

PRESENT:

Councillors: Shonk (Chairman), Campbell, Connor, Falcon, J. Fairbrass, L.Fairbrass, Fenner, Kennedy, Larkins, Leys, Martin, Rev Piper, Stummer- Schmertzing and Young.

R.Styles – Town Clerk.

E.Richford – Assistant Town Clerk.

001. ELECTION OF THE MAYOR FOR 2016/17

Cllr Shonk was nominated.

No other candidates were nominated.

Proposed by: Cllr Connor.

Seconded by: Cllr Young.

RESOLVED

Cllr Shonk was therefore elected.

002. ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR 2016/17

Cllr Larkins was nominated.

No other candidates were nominated.

Proposed by: Cllr Connor.

Seconded by: Cllr J.Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

Cllr Larkins was therefore elected.

A formal awards ceremony will take place on 9th May 2016 at the Granville Theatre at 7pm.

003. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received.

004. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

005. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

The meeting was suspended by the Mayor

No public questions were tabled and in its place the Council received a presentation from Dr Bill Moses of Ramsgate Ferry.com. There was a brief question and answer session and then the Chairman reopened the meeting and moved to next business.

006. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd February 2016 (Minutes 197- 215) were approved as a true record.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr L.Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

007. COMMITTEE STRUCTURE 2016-17.

‘That the current Committee system and structure remain in place for 2016-17’.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Young.

RESOLVED

The following Committee Chairman were nominated and elected unopposed:

Amenities Committee

Cllr Leys.

Proposed by: Cllr Rev Piper.

Seconded by: Cllr Larkins.

RESOLVED

Finance + General Purposes Committee

Cllr Campbell.

Proposed by: Cllr Stummer- Schmertzling .

Seconded by: Cllr Larkins.

RESOLVED

Planning Committee

Cllr J.Fairbrass.

Proposed by: Cllr Leys.

Seconded by: Cllr Campbell.

RESOLVED

Town Promotion Committee

Cllr Martin.

Proposed by: Cllr J.Fairbrass.

Seconded by: Cllr Connor.

RESOLVED

Deputy Chairmen will be elected by each Committee at its first meeting in the new council year.

008. APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIESKALC

Cllrs Shonk and Kennedy.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Connor.

RESOLVED

RAMSGATE TWINNING COMMITTEE

Cllr Rev Piper.

Proposed by: Cllr Shonk.

Seconded by: Cllr Campbell.

RESOLVED

RAMSGATE COASTAL COMMUNITY TEAM

Cllr Larkins.

Proposed by: Cllr Rev Piper.

Seconded by: Cllr Campbell.

RESOLVED

009. COUNCILLORS ALLOWANCES

‘That the arrangement for Councillors allowances being transferred into a system of ward community grants (currently allocated at £500 per Councillor) be retained and unaltered for 2016/17’

Proposed by Cllr: Campbell.

Seconded by Cllr: L.Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

010. WALKERS ARE WELCOME RESOLUTION

Cllr Campbell proposed;

‘Ramsgate Town Council supports the Walkers are welcome initiative from Explore Kent, as it will be a great achievement to be awarded Walkers are welcome status’

Seconded by Cllr J.Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

011. FREEDOM OF THE TOWN RESOLUTION

Cllr Campbell proposed:

'I propose that Ramsgate Town Council bestow upon Ralph Hault, its highest honour, the freedom of the Town. Mr Hault has a record of many years meritorious service to the Town as a fund raiser, event organiser and community worker, in which he has been instrumental in raising thousands of pounds for local good causes.

Ralph will be the first freeman that the Council has recognised and sets the standard over the coming years for those that may be appointed in the future'.

Cllr Larkins seconded.

RESOLVED (Unanimous).

The actual award of the medal and plaque will be carried out at the Granville Theatre on 9th May.

012. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Annual calendar of meetings for 2016-17 received and approved.

013. TOWN MAYOR + DEPUTY MAYOR REPORT

Noted and received

014. RAMSGATE FUND**RF3 2016/17 – Ramsgate Youth Football Club**

Project: Sports equipment

Grant amount; £2380.00

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Martin.

RESOLVED

RF4 2016/17 – Ramsgate Arts Festival Ltd.

Project: Arts van.

Grant amount; £750.00

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Kennedy.

RESOLVED

RF5 2016/17 – Retrospect Opera

Project: Make a recording of Pickwick opera from 1889.

Grant amount: REFUSED (Insufficient public interest).

Proposed by; Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by; Cllr L.Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

RF6 2016/17 – Newington Community Association

Project: Replacement heating system

Grant amount: Deferred for reports on status of building (TDC owned?).

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Leys.

RESOLVED

RF07 2016/17 – Ramsgate Montefiore Heritage

Project: Montefiore Town trail and leaflets.

Grant amount: £470. Council suggests that the applicant considers creating an app for the trail and information.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Fenner.

RESOLVED

RF08 2016/17 – Crucial arts

Project: Osmosis arts project for young people.

Grant amount: £3,131.04.

Proposed by; Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by; Cllr Kennedy.

RESOLVED

RF09 2016/17 – Friends of Ellington Park

Project: Picnic tables.

Grant amount: Refused.

Proposed by: Cllr L.Fairbrass.

Seconded by: Cllr Campbell.

RESOLVED

RF10 2016/17 – Kent Film Foundation

Project: Ice house restoration.

Grant amount: £1,200.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Martin.

RESOLVED

RF11 2016/17 – Miss Ramsgate

Project: Clothing for the carnival court.

Grant amount: £2,300.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Larkins.

RESOLVED

The Mayor closed the meeting at 8.20 pm.

MAYOR/CHAIRMAN