



Ramsgate Town Council

MINUTES

MEETING: Council.

MEETING DATE: 2nd May 2018.

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

PRESENT:

Councillors: Shonk (Chairman), Brown, Campbell, Connor, Falcon, J. Fairbrass, L. Fairbrass, Fenner, Hartley, Larkins, Martin, L. Piper, Rev Piper, Stummer-Schmertzling and Young.

R. Styles - Town Clerk.

001. ELECTION OF THE MAYOR (CHAIRMAN) FOR 2018/19.

The retiring Mayor called for nominations. Two (2) were received:

Cllr Shonk.

Proposed by Cllr Hartley

Seconded by Cllr L. Fairbrass.

Cllr Stummer-Schmertzling.

Proposed by Cllr Connor.

Seconded by Cllr Larkins.

Cllr Larkins proposed a secret ballot.

Seconded by Cllr L. Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

Cllr Campbell proposed that each candidate speak to the meeting for 3 minutes and answer questions for 2 minutes.

Cllr Shonk went first with Cllr Stummer-Schmertzling leaving the meeting.

Cllr Stummer-Schmertzling returned and immediately declined the nomination which left only one candidate.

Cllr Shonk was therefore elected unopposed and a confirmation vote was taken with 6 Cllrs abstaining.

Cllr Shonk therefore serves for another year as Mayor of Ramsgate.

002. ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR (DEPUTY CHAIRMAN) FOR 2018/19.

The Mayor called for nominations. One was received:

Cllr Young.

Proposed by Cllr L. Fairbrass

Seconded by Cllr Rev.Piper.

RESOLVED

Cllr Young was elected unopposed to serve as Deputy Mayor for 2018/19.

003. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Kennedy - work commitments.

004. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Campbell suggested that all Councillors be recorded as having an interest under item 10 Cllrs Allowances and this was agreed.

005 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Questions were received about:

How the Council budget was structured i.e. How much was spent on central office costs versus project costs. The ration being 1/3rd to 2/3rd.

The restructuring of bus services in Moses Montefiore ward.

Imposition of Parking charges and residents permits in parts of Ramsgate.

006. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on the 12th March 2018 (Minutes 209 - 213) were approved as a true record.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr L. Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

007. COMMITTEE STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP 2018/19

Membership and the Chairs of the various Committees to remain unchanged.

Proposed by: Cllr L. Fairbrass.

Seconded by: Cllr Campbell.

RESOLVED

The Events funding Committee was formed during 2017/18 and has Cllr Campbell as Chairman with Cllr Connor as Deputy Chairman. It was agreed to retain the Events funding committee on the same basis as before.

Proposed by: Cllr L. Fairbrass.

Seconded by: Cllr Rev Piper.

RESOLVED

The calendar of meetings for 2018/19 was agreed as detailed, but would be revisited at a later date.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr L. Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

008. EMAIL ACCEPTABLE POLICY USE

The policy document was adopted.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Shonk.

RESOLVED

009. APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Delegates to outside bodies to remain unchanged.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Larkins.

RESOLVED

010. COUNCILLORS ALLOWANCES

The policy to remain unchanged for 2018/19.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Larkins.

RESOLVED

011. CHANGES TO STANDING ORDERS

The amendments to Standing orders as recommended by the F+GP Cttee was approved.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr L. Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

012. RAMSGATE FUND

RF1/2018-19 -Miss Ramsgate organisation

Carnival court clothing and rebuilding of float.

Amount approved: £2,500.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr L. Piper.

RESOLVED

RF2/2018-19- Spencer Square residents Association.

Garden improvement within the Square.

Amount approved: £606.00.

Proposed by: Cllr Stummer-Schmertzling.

Seconded by: Cllr Rev.Piper.

RESOLVED

RF3/2018-19 - Royal British Legion Institute.

Amount approved: £2,800.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr L. Fairbrass.

RESOLVED

013. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported on the success that Emma Brett had in securing the services of the Central Band of the RAF for Armed Forces Day on June 30th.

The meeting thanked Emma for her efforts.

014. TOWN MAYOR'S AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S REPORT

The report was received by the meeting.

The meeting ended at 19.57.

MAYOR/CHAIRMAN