



RAMSGATE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of an Extraordinary Council Meeting

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

Date: Wednesday 23rd February 2022 at 7pm

Present: Councillors: Nixey (Chair), Ara, Albon, Austin, Crittenden, Green, Hetherington, Huxley, Makinson, Moore, L Piper, S Piper, Wing and Young

Also in attendance

Miss L Fidler; Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer (Minutes)

Mr D Williams; Digital Communications and Marketing Officer

035/22 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Rusiecki (family health matter). No apologies from Cllr Knight were received.

036/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

037/22 THANET OUTDOOR MARKET OPERATOR SERVICES – PIN EXERCISE

Councillors received a written report regarding TDC's Public Information Notice about a regular Ramsgate Market and consider if/how to respond.

RESOLUTION: The Council will formally express an interest in managing a weekly market in the town centre, and a monthly market at another site (tbc) near the town centre.

038/22 THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

(i) Councillors received a written report from Miss L Fidler, Town Clerk & RFO, regarding The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons 2022 and consider the recommendations contained therein.

RESOLUTION: A budget of £3,000 was approved to provide three beacons (East Cliff, Harbour, West Cliff) and take part in "The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons' event on Thursday 2nd June 2022.

(ii) To receive a report from Cllr D Green regarding a Jubilee Wood and consider the recommendation contained therein.

RESOLUTION: The Council seeks to acquire a plot of land in or adjacent to Ramsgate's boundaries, in order to establish a "Jubilee Wood". Such a woodland would be an eternal reminder of Her Majesty's service, play a vital role in talking the climate emergency, protect the land from

development and provide an area for leisure, relaxation and environmentally friendly activities.

- (iii) Councillors received a verbal update from Ms R Smith, Town Promoter, detailing the various activities planned for the Jubilee that she is aware of.
- (iv) Councillors considered an events application from the Royal Harbour Festival of Ramsgate requesting a grant of £15,000 towards an “Annual Royal Harbour of Ramsgate Festival plus HM Queen Elizabeth IIs Jubilee”. It was noted that the Events Budget for 2022/2023 currently has £60,000 available.
RESOLUTION: Funding for this event was not approved. The Council will instead consider how to support Jubilee events across the wards, with a smaller budget for Harbour/Centre activities.

039/22 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 4th May 2022 (Annual Town Meeting)

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