



RAMSGATE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

Meeting: Town Promotion Committee.

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

Date: Wednesday 30th November 2016

Present: Councillors: Martin (Chairman), Brown, Campbell, Falcon, Newman
Rev Piper, L.Piper, Shonk, Stummer- Schmertzling and Young.

Also in attendance: R. Styles - Town Clerk and Mrs R. Smith -Town Promoter.

166. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from:
Cllr.L.Fairbrass - On other business.
Cllr.J.Fairbrass -On other business.
Cllr. Kennedy- Illness.

167. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

168. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th September 2016 (minutes: 097 to 107) were agreed as a true.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Shonk.

RESOLVED

169. ACTIVE RAMSGATE

- The Town Promoter gave a verbal report on Active Ramsgate.
- Cheryl Mvula will return shortly as chair.
- A new heritage trail is being proposed with the assistance of Screen south.
- Work on the Active Ramsgate website held up due to compatibility issues with the proposed TDC Visit Thanet Website. The meeting suggested that the Active Ramsgate website designer attends future meetings with TDC on this matter.

The report was noted.

170. RAMSGATE TOWN TEAM

- The Town Promoter reported on behalf of the Town Team.
- The good work of the Harbour Street Action Group was praised by the meeting.
- Concern was expressed by the meeting about the escalating levels of violence seen on the CCTV images passed to the Clerk.
- The meeting hoped that the Taxi office planning application would be heard sooner than later and that the TDC Planning Committee would take account of the serious ASB problem in the street when coming to a decision.
- The meeting strongly advised local residents in Harbour Street to dial 999 and not 101 in reporting any incidents.
- The meeting suggested that RTC may have to assist in funding traffic prohibition installations to reduce the amount of unlawful use of the Town centre by vehicles in prohibited periods.
- The Town Team reported that the Christmas light switch on event attracted more visitors this year.

The report was noted.

171. TOWN PROMOTER

- Late night shopping program over Christmas being heavily promoted.
- Ramsgate Rocks expenditure to be reviewed, but a prerequisite will be that the RTC map will be inserted at the beginning and not in the middle of the booklet.

The report was noted.

The following contracts to start on the 1st of January 2017 and to finish on the 31st December 2017 for ease of administration are:

- The Town Promoter.
- Active Ramsgate.
- Ugly Duckling.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Rev Piper.

RESOLVED

A new sign is to be installed at the entrance of Leopold Street Car park which will indicate that RTC has sponsored the free parking concession on Saturdays.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr Young.

RESOLVED

172. 2017/18 BUDGET PROPOSAL

The Committee agreed the following resolution:

- That the Town Promotion Committee be allocated the sum of £47,500 to fund its activities in 2017/18.
- That the sum of £12,000 be vired from contingency to fund the Active Ramsgate and Ugly Duckling contracts in 2016/17.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr L. Piper.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO THE F+GP CTTEE

173. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Nothing reported.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.08 pm.

CHAIRMAN