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**A MEETING OF SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD AT THE BROADWAY CENTRE  
SANDOWN ON WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 09 AT 7.0PM.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:-** Cllr Ward (Mayor), Cllr Cowley, Cllr Patel, Cllr Beasley, Cllr Humby, Cllr Blezzard ,  
Cllr Davis, Cllr Stephenson and Cllr Mereweather.

3 Members of the Public Present and Mike Rowlands.

**404/09 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Beevers, Cllr Dupre and Cllr Teasdale

**405/09 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Cllr Blezzard declared a personal interest as he was a Councillor on Havenstreet and Ashey Council and also Yarmouth Town Clerk and also as a dog owner for item 416/09

**406/09 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2009.**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> October 09 were approved.

**407/09 TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING HELD ON THE 14<sup>TH</sup> AND 28<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 09.**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the minutes of the planning meetings held on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October 09 were noted.

**408/09 TO MEET WITH STUART MAIN FROM THE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE**

The Mayor welcomed Stuart Main to the meeting. Mr Main thanked the Council for its invitation and said that this was the start of an ongoing consultative process. He gave a history of what was behind the Drivers for Change which happened when the Isle of Wight Fire Service was exposed to the Audit Process in 2005 instead of the way the service was previously reviewed. Paul Street was tasked with pulling the Fire Service together and proving it was going in the right direction.

A great deal of work has been done on RISK profiling and the use of data is now robust supported by good analytical soft-wear which produces maps of high, medium and low risk. What has been highlighted is that there were 6 people seriously injured in fire but 110 people injured or killed in road traffic accidents last year.

The Fire Service is broadening its remit and also getting young people involved as well as focusing on road safety, home fire checks especially for the elderly. The attendance time of an appliance has to be within 15 minutes.

In the Case for change the proposal was that the retained fire fighters be moved to 120 hours availability, a restructure to increase full time fire fighters with retained back up and that there would be a new Fire Station at Lake. The proposal is being taken to the cabinet of the Isle of Wight Council in January but in the interim there will be 2 pumps stationed at Sandown and Shanklin. The Fire Service and the CPRD will be working together to set up locality Forums. Councillors raised various questions during the presentation which were answered.

The Mayor thanked Mr Main for coming and talking to the Council.

**409/09 TO NOTE WRITTEN REPORTS FROM CLLR HUMBY AND CLLR WARD.**

Cllr Humby reported on a meeting about Shanklin Theatre. There are problems at Avenue Road bus stop. While at St Pete Beach she went to Arcadia where there are 23 British Airforce cadets buried. She also reported on the Honour Walk that St Pete Beach have and will bring back to a meeting information on costs. Cllr Humby was also going to have a meeting regarding the possibility of Sandown having a mosaic.

Cllr Ward reported he had raised issues on the cleanliness of the public toilets and seasonal opening. He reported on the issues of the proposal for Foxes Green. He has raised concerns over the Claremont Hotel (HMO) now the planning application has been withdrawn and has requested that the enforcement order be now enacted. He has raised the issue of Sandown Bay Regeneration and it has been agreed that all

Sandown Bay IW Councillors would meet regularly to discuss matters affecting the Bay.  
It was suggested that the 3 Parish Councils look at meeting quarterly on Sandown Bay Regeneration. The Clerk agreed to contact the other Councils with this suggestion.

**410/09 TO RECEIVE IF AVAILABLE REPORTS FROM THE POLICE LIASON WORKING PARTY AND ENVIRONMENT AND NEIGHBOURHOODS OFFICER.**

It was reported that the Police Liaison Meeting has been postponed until 1<sup>st</sup> December 09  
Mike Rowlands the Environment and Neighbourhoods Officer reported that on the enforcement side they were targeting different areas Los Altos Park being one of them. It has gone quiet on the graffiti side. Shelters are still being vandalised past Corkheads.

**411/09 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS:-**

- a. Payments and Receipts for October 2009
  - b. October 2009 Summary of Payment and Receipts against the budget.
- The Clerk presented the payments and receipts together with the summary of payments for October to the Council.

A recorded vote was requested.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the October 09 financial reports be accepted.

**Voting for the resolution** Cllr Davis, Cllr Humby, Cllr Beasley, Cllr Patel, Cllr Cowley, Cllr Ward, Cllr Mereweather and Cllr Stephenson.

**Voting against the resolution** Cllr Blezzard

**The resolution was carried.**

- c. 2nd Quarter Summary  
The Clerk presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter summary of spend against the budget to the Council which was noted.
- d. Auditors Quarterly Report.  
Mr Gareth Hughes presented his 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarters Auditors report to the Council. He reported that he is of the opinion that the accounts are fully supported by substantive financial records. He suggested that as all cheques are signed by the Town Clerk and two Councillors that for completeness the Town Clerk also initials the cheque stubs.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Auditors report be noted and the Town Clerk would initial cheque stubs in future.

**412/09 BROADWAY CENTRE**

The Clerk to present details on the investigation into the four options she has carried out as per the Councils instruction at the September 09 meeting.  
Cllr Ward introduced this agenda item and said that the Council made decisions as existed at that time when they thought £120000 was going to solve the problem but circumstances changed and we needed to compromise. He proposed that we agree in principle to keep the main building but investigate further avenues of financing the necessary repairs. Cllr Blezzard offered to look again for any possible grants.

The Clerk presented a detailed paper on the options the Council had detailed at a previous meeting.

- a. **Costs of renovating and repairing the main building**  
The estimated costs of renovating and repairing the main building at the Broadway Centre which was not all inclusive as it did not take account of a new ring main, corridor between Yaverland and Clerks office or soundproofing of rooms was £199470 +Vat  
Tenders would have to be sought and specifications would also have to be drawn up.
- b. **Sale of Land to include Los Altos**  
An estimated value of a portion of the site that included Los Altos was approximately £600000
- c. **Southern Housing Association**  
Southern Housing Association proposal was an exchange of land with a new build. She expressed concerns regarding problems that could be encountered with insurance and also the site.  
Sandown Town Council would receive less than £100000 from Southern Housing Association.
- d. **Set up a Trust**  
Liz Murrey Bembridge Parish Clerk has offered to come and talk to the Council about Trusts as she has knowledge of the advantages and pitfalls that Trusts can have.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Council agree in principle to keep the main school building until facts are known.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT we advertise in the County Press requesting interest in tendering.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT tender specification are drawn up and presented to the Council.

413/09

**a. TO REPORT TO THE TOWN COUNCIL RESIGNATION OF MR R. JEMSON.**

The Clerk reported that Mr Jemson was retiring and would no longer be delivering the Chronicle after the December issue.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Council wish Mr Jemson well in his retirement and thank him for the work he has done for them over many years.

**b. TO AGREE TO NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE SANDOWN CHRONICLE.**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Clerk would advertise in the County Press for a person to deliver the Chronicle.

414/09

**RESOLUTION FROM CLLR MEREWATHER THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL SHOULD WITH THE CHURCH MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO CELEBRATE THE LIGHT OF LOVE CELEBRATIONS FOR THE HOSPICE.**

Cllr Mereweather presented her resolution for the Council to arrange for the Light of Love Celebrations to take place and that the Rev Chris Feak be approached to conduct the service.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Council agree to support the Light of Love Celebration.

415/09

**CLERK TO REPORT ON: - And any other correspondence received prior to the meeting.**

**a. Town Plan Consultation.**

The Council were reminded that the consultation for the Town would be taking place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November at the Broadway Centre from 2-4pm and 6-9pm and it would be appreciated if Councillors would help with this event.

**b. Traffic Survey**

The Clerk reported that there had been a good response to the traffic survey and even though the deadline had passed forms were still coming in.

**c. Invitation to the official opening of the Sandown and Lake Youth Football Club by Lake Parish Council.**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Clerk would inform Lake Parish Council that Cllr Ward, Cllr Patel and Cllr Stephenson and Cllr Mereweather would be attending the opening of Lake Youth Football Club.

**d. Highways PFI Meeting County Hall 19<sup>th</sup> November 09 commencing 5.30pm.**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT this item be noted.

**e. Environmental Agency Workshop 11<sup>th</sup> December 09 at the Broadway Centre commencing 9.30am.**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT this item be noted.

**f. Play England project.**

The Clerk reported that the installation of the playground will be commencing in the next week.

**g. Letter received from Sandown Tonny Charente Twinning Association**

Letter notified the Council of the Twinning Visit for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary that was to take place in October or November 2010 in which it asked if the Town Council wished to get involved in the 25 year celebration.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Council would like to be involved with the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

416/09

**CONSULTATION BY THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL ON THE PROPOSED DOG EXCLUSION (ISLE OF WIGHT) ORDER 2010** this can be accessed on the IW Council web site.

Cllr Blezzard left the meeting for this item. Discussion took place and concern was expressed about additional restrictions.

**RESOLVED :-**

THAT concern about additional restrictions be conveyed to the Isle of Wight Council.

417/09

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING Informal Council Budget Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> December 09**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT this item be noted.

Signed

Date