



## SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

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### **MEETING OF SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD AT THE BROADWAY CENTRE ON 3<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY 2007 AT 7. 0PM**

**7.0pm to 7.15pm Time allocated for residents of Sandown to speak to the Council on Town Matters.**  
Representatives of the Towns Women Guilds were present at the meeting.

#### **1/07. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Teasdale due to not being able to get back from the mainland in time for the meeting.

#### **2/07. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Blezzard declared a personal interest in Agenda items 3, 6, 8, 9 & 10 because he is a member of various bodies.  
Cllr Cowley, Cllr Blezzard, Cllr Wright declared a personal interest in item 07/07 because they are members of L.A.R.A.  
Cllr Beevers declared a personal interest in item 07/07 because she is a volunteer at the Youth Club.

#### **3/07. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2006**

##### **RESOLVED:-**

THAT with the addition of 1972 after the word Act in Item 6 the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> November 06 were approved.

#### **4/07. PRESENTATION FROM MR HARDS ISLE OF WIGHT CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAU**

The Mayor welcomed Mr Hards to the Council Meeting who gave an interesting talk on the work of the CAB. He said the CAB was an independent organisation which gave a confidential service, free to people who cannot afford to pay for advice or help. They employ 9 people and have many volunteer who give their time free of charge. They receive a core funding of £125000 from the Isle of Wight Council. Their off ice is in Newport and they run 12 outreach centres. They had 27476 enquires last year and 11981 clients of which 1000 came from the Sandown Area. The biggest category of enquiry is on debt.

##### **RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Council puts an article in the next issue of the Sandown Chronicle to advise people of the work of the CAB and how residents can access free information and advice.

##### **RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Town Clerk writes a letter to the Isle of Wight Council saying that we appreciate the work the CAB do and hope the financial support by the Isle of Wight Council will still continue to be forthcoming in this next financial year.

#### **5/07. TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE FINANCE REPORT**

The November and December Income and Expenditure Sheet were presented and also the running total sheet. The Clerk reported that she had received the External auditor's certificate for the 2005-6 accounts with no comments attached to it. Before voting on the resolution a recorded vote was requested.

##### **RESOLVED**

THAT the financial reports for November 06 and December 06 be accepted.

Voting for the motion.

Cllr Ward, Cllr Cowley, Cllr Rogers, Cllr Dupre, Cllr Woolley, Cllr Young, Cllr Stephenson,  
Cllr Mereweather.

Voting against the motion

Cllr Wright, Cllr Blezzard Cllr Beevers.

#### **6/07. TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSALS FOR THE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE AND TO NOTE ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 07 A PUBLIC CONSULTATION WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE BROADWAY CENTRE.**

The Clerk reported the Public Consultation Meeting on the future of the Fire Brigade is at 7pm on 10th January 07 at the Broadway Centre and there is a 48 page document on the Isle of Wight Council web site which she recommended the Councillors read before their next meeting so they would be fully informed.

**RESOLVED**

THAT the information received on the future proposals for the Fire Brigade and Consultation Meeting is noted.

**RESOLVED:-**

That date for the Special Meeting of the Town Council and Planning Committee is changed to Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 07, and that Sandown Town Council's will make its response to the consultation at this Meeting.

**7/07. YOUTH PROJECTS**

The hold up on this project is acquisition of a lease on the land at Sandham Grounds and the Partnership is waiting for a decision from the new Head of Children's Service. It was reported that he wants to support the Sandham Grounds Project but there has to be a good business case and that is dependent on the future of the youth clubs as he wants them to be to the same high standard as Shanklin.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT in the first instant the Clerk investigates what land the Isle of Wight Council is willing to allow this Council to use for our proposed projects.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT Cllr Ward approach the Head of Children Services to establish what the Isle of Wight Council is prepared to undertake and support and report back to the Council Meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 06.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT our Councillors from Perowne Way will talk to L.A.R.A. about the Youth Project and see what involvement they want to have in it.

Upon receiving information on available land and from Children's Services the following resolutions would implemented:-

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT that a meeting is held at the High School with the Youth of Sandown to see what proposals they wish to put forward.

THAT a public meeting is organised at Sandham School for the Residents of Perowne Way and it also includes the Youth and the Youth Club.

**8/07. TO NOTE ON THE 24<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 07 A PUBLIC CONSULTATION FOR THE SANDOWN BAY PROJECT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE BROADWAY CENTRE.**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the date for the Public Consultation for the Sandown Bay Project be noted.

**9/07. CLERK TO REPORT ON:**

a. Letter received from Mark Buckett Area Compliance Officer (East) Isle of Wight Council stating that the unsightly appearance of the building facing the High Street will be investigated by the Isle of Wight Council and we will be informed of the outcome.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the letter be noted.

b. Letter received from Lee Matthews Community Development Manager Isle of Wight Council regarding taking over the Sandham Band Stand on a Service Level Agreement.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT this Council do not take over Sandham Band Stand on a Service Level Agreement.

c. Letter received from Vivien Mann Chief Legal Advisor Isle of Wight Council informing the Council of two entries which is delaying the change at HM land Registry. The entries relate to a 1995 lease for the use of a storeroom and a parking space in favour of the Isle of Wight Council for the term of 6 years which has now expired. Vivien Mann has advised us that she is currently awaiting further guidance from the Land Registry to see if there could be a simpler procedure for removing the two entries.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the letter be noted.

d. Letter received from NALC regarding the forthcoming lowering of the age to 18 for a person to Stand for Election.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the letter be noted.

e. Isle of Wight Association of Parish and Town Councils Executive Committee Meeting Minutes 22<sup>nd</sup> November 07

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the minutes be noted.

f. Letter received from the Isle of Wight Council with a draft document regarding a forthcoming enquiry into Ports Sustainability. Our Council will be asked for its comments.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Council notes the forthcoming enquiry and will formulate their response once the final document has been received.

g. The Council had received a copy of the Lyons Inquiry Newsletter.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT Lyons Inquiry Newsletter be noted.

**h. Consultation in Respect of Subsidised Bus Services.**

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the Council will debate this as an Agenda item at their February Council Meeting and that the Clerk would circulate the Councillors with the relevant information.

i. A briefing regarding the Boundaries and the numbers of Electoral Divisions Review of the Isle of Wight Council will take place at County Hall on the 17<sup>th</sup> January 07 at 12:00 noon.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT Cllr Blezzard and Cllr Cowley will attend the meeting on behalf of the Council.

j. Letter received from Christ Church thanking the Council for allowing them to use our car park as a building compound while their church was being repaired.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the letter be noted.

**10/07. TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ON OUTSIDE BODIES.**

1/a. Cllr Blezzard informed the Council the IWATPC affiliation fee for Sandown for 2007/08 is at a capped level of £600.

2/a The IWATPC have asked that when the IWC consider in their next year's budget that the IWC fund the IWATPC in the manner that Cornwall funds their Association. It would mean that when the IWC raise money in the Council tax for the L.G.A. they could at the same time add in an amount for the funding of the IWATPC.

3/a A review of the constitution of the IWATPC has taken place and the following recommendations are to be put to a special EGM:-

That the name be changed to the Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils

That membership is extended to include Management Committees of areas awaiting en-parishment.

Voting right will be limited to 1 member per Council who will represent their Councils point of view.

**RESOLVED:-**

That Councillor Blezzard's report be noted.

b. SLCC One Day Conference report from Cllr Cowley.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the report be noted.

Cllr Humby made a presentation to the Council of a book and telephone directory on behalf of the Commissioner of St Pete Beach. Cllr Humby and Miss Hall had received them to give to the Council when they had recently visited St Pete Beach Sandown's Sister City. Cllr Humby reported that it was their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year they hoped the Mayor or a representative of Sandown Town Council would be able to attend their celebrations. Individual people are visiting Sandown this year but not as a delegation.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the book and telephone directory was accepted by the Council and a letter of thanks be sent.

c. Written reports were received from Cllr Humby and Cllr Ward.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT the reports be noted.

**RESOLVED:-**

THAT Councillor Ward makes a presentation to the next Council Meeting on the recognition of a changing market and how change and rebalance has to take place on how Sandown earns its money.

**11/07. TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM MARKET SUPERINTENDENT.**

Due to the Market Superintendent being unable to attend this item was deferred.

**12/07. DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING 7<sup>th</sup> February 2007.**

Date of Special Council Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> February 07.

**Signed**

**Date**