



SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

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A MEETING OF SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD AT THE BROADWAY CENTRE SANDOWN ON 8th OCTOBER 08 AT 7.0PM.

7.0pm to 7.15pm Time allocated for residents of Sandown to speak to the Council on Town Matters.
1 member of the public was present.

- PRESENT:-** Cllr Ward (Mayor) Cllr Blezzard, Cllr Young, Cllr Stephenson, Cllr Rogers, Cllr Teasdale, Cllr Cowley, Cllr Wright
- 267/08 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Cllr Mereweather, Cllr Woolley, Cllr Dupre, Cllr Beevers.
- 268/08 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**
Cllr Blezzard declared personal interest in the remaining items on the agenda as a member of the Isle of Wight Council Scrutiny Committee and item 276/08 as a member of Lake Parish Council.
- 269/08 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM DAVID BALL AND LEE MATTHEWS ON THE INVOLVEMENT OF SANDOWN IN THE ISLAND GAMES.**
Due to David Ball being called away to the mainland this item has been postponed until the November meeting.
- 270/08 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 10th AND 24TH SEPTEMBER 2008**
RESOLVED:-
THAT the minutes of the meeting held on the 10th September 08 were approved and duly signed.
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THAT the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th September 08 were approved and duly signed.
- 271/08 TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REPORTS FROM CLLR HUMBY AND CLLR WARD**
Cllr Humby presented her report which covered the problems of the new litter bins and the time it was taking to get them repaired. The frail elderly were having problems at Yaverland with the withdrawal of the no 10 bus.. Cllr Ward presented his Mayors report and his Councillors report which covered Highways PFI , Opening of the skate park and Sandown in Bloom Prize Presentations.
- 272/08 TO RECEIVE AND NOTE THE WRITTEN REPORT FROM THE TOWN CENTRE MANAGER**
The Town Centre Manager presented a written reported and said that on Crew Week it is hoped to get all parties together to work on the Foxes Bridge area. The Council is to be consulted on what they think of the Community Safety Service. He reported that Sergeant Rick Davidson would be willing to speak to the Town Council. The Town Clerk would contact Sergeant Davidson and arrange a meeting.
- 273/08 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS:-**
a. Payments and Receipts for August 08 and up until the 25th September 08
The Clerk raised the question about the Councils money being in one bank account.
RESOLVED
THAT we diversify £150,000 into 3 other banks and open a deposit account in each bank with £50,000.
b. August 08 Summary of Payments and Receipts.
RESOLVED:-
THAT the August and accounts up to 25th September 08 financial reports be accepted.
A recorded vote was requested.
For the resolution:- Cllr Young, Cllr Rogers, Cllr Cowley, Cllr Teasdale, Cllr Ward, Cllr Stephenson
Against the resolution:- Cllr Blezzard. **Abstention:-** Cllr Wright
c. Letter from Audit Commission.
The Clerk reported that a letter had been received from the Audit Commission informing the Council it would be receiving a bill that was to cover the work involved to investigate a complaint from a member of the public. The Clerk would inform the Council on the amount to be paid when she receives the bill.
- 274/08 WREATHS ON SANDOWN WAR MEMORIAL. RESOLUTION RECEIVED FROM CLLR COWLEY, CLLR WARD, CLLR TEASDALE, CLLR YOUNG.**
Under Standing order 36a we call upon Sandown Town Council to reverse the following Resolutions:-
RESOLVED:-
THAT the wreaths are removed in September.
RESOLVED:-
THAT after a suitable period of time we remove them to a place in the town with a plaque showing that they were in Memory of those who fell in the Great War.
Furthermore we propose that Sandown Town Council takes no action on this matter as there is no power under which it can legally act and that the status quo be maintained.

The resolutions received from Cllr Cowley, Cllr Ward, Cllr Teasdale, and Cllr Young were duly proposed and seconded and carried.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the previous resolutions are rescinded.

RESOLVED:-

THAT no further action is taken and that the Status Quo is maintained.

Cllr Humby presented information regarding a name that needs adding to the War Memorial.

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TO DISCUSS WIGHTAIRE AND THE FUTURE OF EVENTS IN THE BAY AREA.

Cllr Teasdale raised the point of Wight Air not having a presence the Bay Area next year. A question regarding the weather needed for Extreme Sports was raised, and wondered why it was being suggested the event be held in July. The Chamber of Commerce is having a meeting with Wight Air and they wanted to know the opinion of the Council regarding this event. Questions were raised about the charges made by the Isle of Wight Council especially for the small piece of grass.

The Councillors commented on this year's event and said how much people had enjoyed it and that Sandown was jam-packed. It looked as though there would not be an event next year but the organiser has said he may look at Sandown again for the year after.

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CLERK TO REPORT ON:-

- a. Letter received from Lake Parish Council.

A letter has been received from Lake Parish Council regarding cycling along the revetment. Cllr Teasdale reported on the meeting with Lake and Shanklin Council and he reported that at no time was it said that we wanted to stop cycling on the revetment.

RESOLVED:-

THAT Sandown Town Council will support Cycling etiquette and will write to Lake Parish Council and that the Clerk would write to the Isle of Wight Council requesting a reply to the joint letter that was sent from Shanklin, Lake and Sandown Councils.

- b. Information regarding Indemnity Insurance.

The Clerk reported that she had received no costing on this item.

- c. Optio Car Scheme.

A representative from Optio Car Scheme is attending our November Council meeting.

- d. Letter received from Carisbrooke Castle Museum

The letter invited a Sandown Councillor to a special tour of Carisbrooke Castle Museum to see the museum, its contents and learn of its financial problems.

RESOLVED:-

THAT Cllr Teasdale, Cllr Stephenson and Cllr Mereweather would attend and report back to the Council. Partial Review of S.E. Plan Gipsy and Traveller Accommodation needs and Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods letter regarding shore line management.

RESOLVED:-

- e. THAT these items are discussed at the next Planning Meeting.

- f. Consultation of the making and enforcement of byelaws.

RESOLVED:-

THAT it is an agenda item next meeting and that hard copies are obtained.

- g. Notice of Isle of Wight Walking Festival.

This item was noted, but it was requested that a letter to Highways be sent regarding the state of the pavements

- h. Letter received from Parks and Gardens regarding the state of the goal mouth and the pitch at Foxes Path Open Space Area.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the Isle of Wight Council be requested to reinstate the goal mouths and reinstate the pitch.

- i. Cllr Stephenson gave a vote of thanks for the work by the Town Clerk for the Sandown in Bloom Awards Evening and said how everyone had enjoyed the marvellous event with Alan Titchmarsh.

- j. Cllr Teasdale reported on a meeting with Sarah Mitchell and also the visit to the fort in Battery Gardens. Investigation is ongoing to see if it is possible to open the fort up as had been done in Portsmouth as well as create a fort trail as a hook for Sandown. Cllr Teasdale agreed to keep the Council informed.

277/08 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING 12th NOVEMBER 08**

RESOLVED:-

THAT the date of the next meeting be noted.