



SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

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A MEETING OF SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD AT THE BROADWAY CENTRE SANDOWN ON THE 12th MARCH 08 AT 7.0PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT:- Cllr Young (Mayor) Cllr Stephenson, Cllr Ward, Cllr Rogers, Cllr Teasdale,
Cllr Woolley, Cllr Cowley, Cllr Mereweather, Cllr Wright Cllr Blezzard.

- 171/08 TO RECEIVE FROM MR DAVID GUY CHAIRMAN OF THE QUALITY COUNCIL ACCREDITATION PANEL THE CERTIFICATE OF ACCREDITATION THAT SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL HAS ACHIEVED QUALITY COUNCIL STATUS.**
The Mayor welcomed Mr David Guy who went through the mandate that the Council has had to meet to achieve Quality Status and he congratulated Sandown Town Council in achieving Quality Status.
The Mayor and the Town Clerk received the certificate of accreditation from Mr David Guy.
- 172/08 PRESENTATION BY CLLR WARD OF GIFT FROM ST PETE BEACH TO SANDOWN TOWN COUNCIL.** This presentation was deferred.
7.15pm to 7.30pm Time allocated for residents of Sandown to speak to the Council on Town Matters.
3 Members of the public were present.
- 173/08 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Beevers and Cllr Dupre.
- 174/08 TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13TH FEBRUARY 08**
A question was raised about the fair on Los Altos and the Clerk informed the Council that she had emailed the information to all Councillors.
RESOLVED:-
THAT the minutes of the meeting held on the 13th February 08 were approved and duly signed.
- 175/08 TO MAKE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Cllr Blezzard declared a personal interest in the remaining items on the agenda as a member of the Isle of Wight Council Scrutiny Committee.



176/08

TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS:-

a. Payments and Receipts for February 08

The Clerk presented the payments and receipts for February 08. A question was raised about the increased room hire takings in February to which the Clerk responded it was because of additional BACS payments coming through. The Clerk agreed to email Cllr Wright the details.

b. February 08 Summary of Payment and Receipts.

The Clerk presented the February summary of Payments and Receipts. Cllr Blezzard requested that the Opinion Poll expenditure be showed under a different heading.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the February 08 Financial reports be approved.

A recorded vote was requested.

For the Resolution:- Cllr Rogers, Cllr Teasdale, Cllr Woolley, Cllr Cowley, Cllr Mereweather, Cllr Young, Cllr Stephenson and Cllr Stephenson

Against the Resolution.:- Cllr Blezzard and Cllr Wright.

The Clerk reported that the Events Committee will be meeting next week to discuss Sandown in Bloom next week and she requested permission for the plants for the town to be to be bought.

RESOLVED:-

THAT permission is given for the purchase of plants within the allocated budget.

c. Market

Discussion took place regarding a blanket charge per foot although the year.

RESOLVED:-

THAT a blanket charge of £1.40 per foot be made.

French Market

The Clerk reported that she has been approached by the French Market that wanted to have a market every Sunday in Sandown as well as markets in Ryde and other Island towns. It would cost £51 per licence per week. Because our market space had been reduced they could not go where they did last time and a road closure could not be obtained for every week because of the dotto train.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the Clerk will talk to other Councils and find out what is happening in the other towns and email the information to the Councillors.

177/08

TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS ARISING FROM SANDOWN WATER WORKS.

Cllr Young presented a copy of a log that recorded the smells and noises coming from the water works. The smell is chemical not effluent and the scrubbers that are meant work to clean the toxic chemical are not working and people were unable to enjoy their own gardens if the wind was in the wrong direction.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the Council will write a letter of complaint to Southern Water to ask them for the situation to be rectified. A copy of the letter will also be sent to the Isle of Wight Council and the Environment Agency.

178/08

SANDOWN CHRONICLE TO REVIEW THE PRINTING CONTRACT.

Since the printing contract for the Sandown Chronicle finishes on 1st July 08 it was agreed that the Council should go out to tender.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the Council keeps the Chronicle.

RESOLVED:-

THAT a notice asking for interested parties to register their interest in tendering for the printing of the Chronicle is placed in the County Press.

RESOLVED:-

THAT a tender specification for the Chronicle is produced by the Clerk and that a special meeting of the Council will be held to discuss the tender specification before the next planning meeting on the 26th March 08.

179/08

TO COMMENT ON THE LICENCE APPLICATION FOR WIGHTAIRE.

The Council was pleased to note that Wightaire has moved to September from August.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the Isle of Wight Council asks Wightaire to ensure the level of noise does not disturbance local householders.

180/08

THE CLERK TO REPORT ON CORRSPONDENCE RECEIVED:-

a. To accept the lease for Sandham Gardens Tennis Courts.

The 20 year lease for Sandham Gardens Tennis Courts was reviewed by the Council.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the lease had to specify which Council the document was referring to and subject to the amendments being made it was agreed to accept it.

b. To appoint a representative onto the Isle of Wight Council Beach Environment Advisory Committee.

RESOLVED:

THAT Cllr Teasdale be appointed the Councils representative on the IWC Beach Environment Advisory Committee.

c. Letter received from the Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils regarding Education Reform.

The IWALC opposed all 3 options for the Isle of Wight school reform and it called on all members to vote against all 3 options and invited the IWC to holt the consultation process.

d. Email petition on saving small Parish Councils.

Cllr Teasdale asked the Council to support the Petition circulated to you by email on saving Parish Councils.

e. A letter had been received from Kenneth Hicks regarding Brading Roman Villa.

A letter has been received regarding a large scale excavation of Brading Roman Villa which will last for 3 months. This will take place over the summer.

RESOLVED:-

THAT Sandown Town Council send a letter of support for this project.

RESOLVED:-

THAT we ask them to write to request a grant which will e considered at the same time as all our grants are considered.

RESOLVED:-

THAT Mr Hicks be asked to come and talk to the Town Council.

f. The Mayor reported on a letter that he had received from Sandham Middle School who are looking for a donation towards funding them in Rock Challenge.

RESOLVED:-

THAT we reply suggesting that the children came up and help us plant our tubs at the Broadway Centre and we give them a donation.

181/08

THE CLERK HAS REQUESTED THAT SHE IS ALLOWED TO WORK WITH THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL TO ESTABISH AN EMERGENCY PLAN FOR SANDOWN THAT WILL COMPLETE THE ISLAND EMERGENCY PLAN AT LOCAL LEVEL.

This is to put into place what use to be in place years ago and that was a link with town and parish Councils. At the Emergency Planning training she had attended it was said what is missing is local knowledge and this is something that all our Councillors have as well as our local organisations. It is a golden opportunity to put something in place that will serve and support our community.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the Clerk is allowed to establish an Emergency Plan for Sandown.

182/08

TO NOTE WRITTEN REPORTS RECEIVED FROM ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLORS.

Cllr Ward was asked about a 20 mph along Perowne Way. He reported that request for 20mph has been asked for. He has written to the Cabinet Member from Portsmouth to ask him how they have legally done it as 30mph is too fast for Perowne Way.

Cllr Humby had reported the fence at the Canoe Lake to health and safety. She was pleased to tell us the Isle of Wight Council had found the machine that removes chewing gum and has asked for it to be tried out first in Sandown.

She recommended to the Councillors the show Jessie James that is being put on in Shanklin by the South Wight Youth Theatre.

Cllr Teasdale reported that the fence would have been done 2 yrs ago if there had not been interference by Isle of Wight Council officers.

Town manager informed the Council that the fence was coming down as Colonade had employed contractors to do it.

Concern was raised at the number of applications that had been received for multiple occupancy in Sandown.

183/08

TO NOTE DATE OF NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED:-

THAT there will be a special Council Meeting on the 26th March prior to the Planning Meeting. The following Council Meeting of the Council will be on the 9th April 2008.

Signed

