

# WESTGATE-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES

Meeting: COUNCIL

At: The Town Hall building, 31, St Mildred's Road, Westgate on Sea, CT8 8RE.

Date: 6th July 2015.

Present: Cllrs: Ashbee, Charlton, Cornford, King (Chairman), Morrish, Pennington, Rolfe, Rickett and Scott.

Mr R.Styles: Interim Clerk.

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**034: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr - Nightingale - Leave.

**035: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Cornford as chief beneficiary of the ownership of the Town Hall building.

Cllr Ashbee - Margate Charter Trustees.

Cllr Rickett - Links field Town Green.

**036: MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015 (Minutes 013-027) (Subject to a minor alteration).

Proposed by: Cllr Rickett.

Seconded By: Cllr Cornford.

**RESOLVED**

**037: TOWN HALL BUILDING**

Cllr Cornford left the meeting during the consideration of this matter.

The Council accepted the modified terms offered by the trust and will signify acceptance once the Clerk has reviewed the licence document.

Proposed by: Cllr Morrish.

Seconded By: Cllr Rolfe.

**RESOLVED**

**038: INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS**

The quote from Zurich was accepted subject to a better quote from KD Insurance.

Proposed by: Cllr Charlton.

Seconded By: Cllr Pennington.

**RESOLVED**

**039: ALLOTMENTS**

The clerk gave a report on progress with the transfer to Westgate-on-Sea Town Council. The Council accepted the report and will await the outcome.

Proposed by: Cllr Charlton.

Seconded By: Cllr Pennington.

**RESOLVED**

**040: CLEANING UP WESTGATE-ON-SEA**

The Clerk was instructed to write a letter to Thanet District Council to ask for a more extensive clean-up of the entire town, including the foreshore. Cllr Ashbee said it may be possible to arrange for a large container to take waste from the flats above the shops in St Mildred's Road, which might reduce some litter.

Proposed by: Cllr Ashbee.

Seconded by: Cllr Rickett.

**RESOLVED**

**041: DIVISION OF ASSETS BY MARGATE CHARTER TRUSTEES**

The Clerk is instructed to write to Margate Charter Trustees receiving the offer, but asking for more information and an offer based on the Charter Trustees audit return and an asset list.

Proposed by: Cllr Charlton.

Seconded by: Cllr Morrish.

**RESOLVED**

**042: WESTGATE -ON -SEA LIBRARY**

The Clerk was instructed to write a letter to KCC Libraries to determine the status of the library and any forthcoming repairs to the building.

Proposed by: Cllr Cornford.

Seconded by: Cllr Scott.

**RESOLVED**

**043: COAT OF ARMS/INSIGNIA**

A design was approved and the final draft will be submitted at the next Council meeting.

Proposed: Cllr Cornford.

Seconded: Cllr Rickett.

**RESOLVED**

**044: LYMINGTON ROAD RECREATION SITE**

The Clerk was instructed to write to Thanet District Council in order ascertain its status and possibly offer to accept site as a transfer in order to restore it to a sports field.

Proposed by: Cllr Cornford.

Seconded by: Cllr Rickett.

**RESOLVED**

**045: BEACH CAFÉ, BEACH ROAD WESTGATE-ON-SEA.**

The ownership of the café site is in a familial dispute as to what should be done in the future, it is deteriorating and subject to vandalism. The matter is therefore noted.

**046: LINKSFIELD TOWN GREEN**

The Clerk was instructed to write to the school and the Friends of the Linksfield Town Green facilitating the upkeep of the green.

Proposed by: Cllr Rickett.

Seconded by: Cllr Morrish.

**RESOLVED**

**047: COUNCIL CALENDAR/TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

It was agreed that Planning and Environment Cttee meetings will take place on the third Monday of each month. Council meetings will take place throughout the first Council year.

Under the Town Clerk's report; the Clerk was instructed to ascertain the ownership of any war memorials in Westgate on Sea.

Proposed by: Cllr Morrish.

Seconded by: Cllr Cornford.

**RESOLVED**

It was resolved to ask the public to leave under the *Public bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960* as the matter involved staff matters.

**048: APPOINTMENT OF PERMANENT TOWN CLERK**

The Council having looked at 12 applicants, shortlisted 4 suitable interview candidates.

The interviews for the post of Clerk will take place at 6pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

**NEXT MEETING**

6th July 2015.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45pm.

**CHAIRMAN**