



	<p>Birchington to see if the neighbouring parish wish to co-operate in the project.</p> <p>A resident expressed doubt at the projected spending of the Town Council for the current financial year and asked that someone check the figures.</p>	
550	<p><b>Chairman's Report</b></p> <p>Cllr King reported news of the Sustainability Transformation Plan. This is being run by the Quality Care Commission. Cllr King expressed concern that residents may not be aware of the plans to set up four super surgeries for Thanet which would mean that the Westgate surgery would close and the residents of Westgate would have to go to Westbrook House.</p> <p>Cllr King confirmed that he would be attending a meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> February and report back to the next full council meeting with further information. Cllr King reported that he has confirmed the issue with the patient forum group.</p>	<b>Cllr King</b>
551	<p><b>Town Clerk's Report</b></p> <p>The town clerk reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Awaiting news from St Saviours PCC regarding the Remembrance Day Parade</li> <li>(b) A letter of thanks has been sent to the Christmas Lighting Committee</li> <li>(c) Official confirmation for guest speaker at the forthcoming Neighbourhood Plan public consultation meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> March have been confirmed by district councillors and Sir Roger Gale MP</li> <li>(d) St Michael's Care Home have confirmed a meeting with Cllr Nightingale to confirm his role as a representative on behalf of the council</li> <li>(e) The Fair Trade Island promotion had been send to the website administrator</li> <li>(f) The Asset of Community Value applications had been sent to the clerk by Cllr Rickett. A meeting with Thanet District Council is planned to discuss the assets and possible transfer.</li> <li>(g) Cllr King is following up the zig zag line issue on Westgate Bay Avenue</li> <li>(h) Investigations are ongoing into how the town council can support the reduction in drivers using mobile phones whilst driving</li> </ul>	
552	<p><b>Reports from District Councillors</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from the district council representatives.</p>	

553	<p><b>Report from Community Warden</b>  Laura Bungard addressed meeting and explained January had been very busy with vulnerable elderly people. Rubbish and fly-tipping was high and the officer for area Caroyne Goodall is inspecting the area. Laura reported that she had given security advice and observed various parking issues in St Mildred's Road and Station Road. It was also reported that pot holes, line refreshing and, abandoned vehicles had been the usual seasonal issues. A new dial-a-ride service has been set up called Kent Karrier details are available from Thanet Community Transport Association on 01843 60 20 30. Laura took a question from Cllr Morrish regarding street cleaning and agreed to follow up the rounds of the mechanical sweeper.</p>	
554	<p><b>Cleansing Westgate-on-Sea</b>  The Chairman agreed for item 11 Cleansing in Westgate-on-Sea be brought forward on the agenda. The Town Clerk introduced the report. After much discussion, Cllr Cornford asked for it to be noted in the minutes that she considered that no other initiatives for improving cleaning in the town had been discussed and the council is not waiting to see how Thanet District Council are delivering services or the National Association of Local Councils 'devo deal' for 2018. Cllr Morrish asked for it to be noted in the minutes that he considered the cleansing operative scheme is highly risky project and not sufficient information from Kent County Council about devolution of their services.</p> <p>It was agreed to proceed with the following: -  (a) to approve the job specification of cleansing operative  (b) Approve the town clerk to commence the recruitment process  (c) To approve the delegated authority for management and service delivery of the cleansing operative team to the town clerk.</p> <p>Cllr Cornford asked for her abstention vote to be noted in the minutes.</p>	
555	<p><b>Motion from Cllr Morrish</b>  As the decision had already been taken to proceed with cleansing project Cllr Morrish's motion to delay the project was excluded.</p>	
556	<p>The following minutes from committees held since the last Full Council meeting were noted:</p>	

	<p>(a) Events and Tourism Committee 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017</p> <p>(b) Planning Highways and Environment Committee 23<sup>rd</sup> January</p> <p>(c) Finance and General Purposes Committee 30<sup>th</sup> January 2017</p>	
557	<p><b>To approve the following policies of the Council</b></p> <p>It was agreed for the policies of the Council to be agreed.</p> <p>(a) Data Protection Policy</p> <p>(b) Councillor Email Policy</p> <p>(c) Staff Email and Communication Policy</p> <p>(d) Social Media Policy</p> <p>(e) Website Policy</p> <p>(f) Recruitment Policy</p> <p>(g) Lone Working Policy</p>	
558	<p><b>Questions from Councillors</b></p> <p>Cllr Pennington reported that he had been at a meeting of Manston Airport and the public consultation is pending.</p>	
559	<p><b>Meeting Closed at 8.38pm</b></p>	

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Cllr Tom King  
Chairman

Date 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017