



**Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council of
Westgate-On Sea Town Council
on Tuesday 2nd October 2018**

Held at


**United Reformed Church, 54 Westgate Bay Avenue,
Westgate-On-Sea, Kent CT8 8SN**

Present	Cllrs Pennington (Chairman), Cornford, King, Nightingale, O'Connor, Page, Rolfe, H Scott, M Scott	
Also, in attendance	Mrs Gill Gray (Town Clerk), TDC Cllr Bambridge, TDC Cllr Messenger and 9 members of the public and 3 representatives from Millwood Homes	
	Chairman's Welcome The Chairman opened the meeting with the usual "housekeeping" instructions and advised that the meeting was being recorded on a video camera. The Chairman underlined the importance of respectful and orderly behaviour by all present.	
1456	To receive apologies for absence KCC Cllr Dawson	
1457	Minutes It was moved by Cllr H Scott and seconded by Cllr Cornford and RESOLVED : that the minutes of the meeting of 4 th September 2018 be signed and approved as a true record of the meeting.	
1458	Members' Declarations of Interest There were none.	
1459	Report of the Community Warden The Town Clerk advised that the Community Warden had not been in contact prior to the meeting therefore there was nothing to report at this time.	
1460	County and Thanet District Councillors' Reports Cllr Messenger gave a report to Council and advised that there were reports of speeding vehicles on Minster Road and Lymington Road and asked if these could be incorporated into the Speedwatch sessions. Cllr Messenger added that the deadline for comments for the Local Plan consultation was 4 th October 2018, all feedback needs to be given by 5pm on that date to TDC.	
1461	Public Participation Session There were no requests received by the Clerk for public participation at this meeting.	
1462	Millwood Homes Presentation	

	<p>Representatives from Millwood Homes and consultants gave a presentation to Council and members of the public attending the meeting. This included the progress to date and how the process was proposed going forward and likely timescales involved. Members asked questions following the presentation.</p>	
1463	<p>Chairman's Report The Chairman reported on the recent public meetings undertaken in relation to the proposed additional housing numbers for Westgate and Garlinge in the Local Plan. There was also an official protest outside TDC offices on 18.09.18. The Chairman advised that he had received a "holding" response from Whitehall in relation to a funding application on behalf of Coastal Community Team; the decisions have yet to be confirmed. The Chairman added that representatives from local Parish Councils had met at the Town Council office to discuss the dialogue with TDC and how this can be improved at the Parish Forum.</p>	
1464	<p>Finance Reports The Town Clerk presented Members with the Bank Reconciliations for July and August; Budget versus Expenditure Report to end of August 2018 and the Forecast Report to end of August 2018. A, B and C It was RESOLVED: that the Finance Reports were received. D Budget Discussion The Chairman discussed the proposed approach for budget setting and how the costs could be collated for next year; this will be decided at the next F & GP Committee.</p>	
1465	<p>Co-Option Vacancy Update Members undertook a vote in relation to the three applicants who were numbered 1, 2 and 3 to preserve anonymity. It was RESOLVED: that Applicant Number 3 who received 5 votes was Co-Opted – the Chairman announced that Mr Micallef would be joining the Council at the November meeting. 1 Member abstained.</p>	
1466	<p>Planning Applications The Chairman provided an update on the proposal for variation of Condition 2 for the planning application F/TH/18/1246. Following enquiries from residents the Town Clerk had contacted TDC planning and building control who provided a response; this was communicated to residents and Members.</p>	
1467	<p>Minutes Human Resources Committee</p>	

	It was RESOLVED : that the minutes for HR Committee dated 10.07.18 be received.	
1468	Minutes Finance & General Purposes Committee It was RESOLVED : that the minutes for F & GP Committee dated 17.07.18 be received.	
1469	Minutes Events and Tourism Committee It was RESOLVED : that the minutes for E & T Committee dated 24.07.18 be received.	
1470	Local Plan Consultation Response It was RESOLVED : that the draft response should be submitted to TDC by the Town Clerk with the addition of one sentence from Cllr H Scott in relation to the Local Plan Consultation.	
1471	Motion by Councillor King Cllr King explained the history behind the motion and stated that the negative comments had been occurring since 2015 when the Town Council was first formed. After extensive discussions Members voted and – It was RESOLVED: that a meeting would be sought with the executives for the Margate Civic Society at the earliest convenience to discuss the editorial comments towards the Council via the MCS Newsletter. 5 Members were in favour of the Motion, 3 were against and 1 Member abstained.	
1472	Councillor's Reports Cllr Rolfe reported that a Charity Quiz Night event was planned at West Bay café to raise funds for YouCan on 29.11.18 and teams were welcome to enter. Cllr H Scott reported on the recent protest walk undertaken in relation to the proposed additional housing numbers, this had been well attended. Cllr Cornford reported on the recent attended Civic Dinner organised by BPC and that the Westbrook and Westgate Residents Association is currently closed temporarily.	
1473	Planning Applications FH/TH/18/1325 It was RESOLVED : that no objections were raised by Council.	
1474	Update on Review of AGAR for Year Ended 31.03.18 The Town Clerk reported that the Council had received an interim report from the external auditors PKF Littlejohn LLP following challenge correspondence received, a final report will be provided with the certificate of completion following the review work in relation to this correspondence.	
1475	Next Meeting	

	The next meeting is 6th November 2018	
1476	Meeting Closed at 8.33pm	

Signed.....
Chairman of the Council

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