



COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday 28th January 2019

Present: Cllrs, J Bayford, Binks, Buckley, Dexter, Hayton, Leys, Matterface, Moore (Chair), Parsons, D. Saunders, M Saunders, Savage, Todd

Town Clerk: Danielle Dunn
Deputy Town Clerk: Christine Chappell
Preston Frost Thanet District Council

351 SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Cllr V. Todd signed his declaration of acceptance of office in the presence of the Council, his signature was witnessed by the Town Clerk as Proper Officer.

352 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Shaw and Cllr Bayford

353 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Binks declared a significant interest in agenda items 16 and 18, minute 366 and 368 and left the room during the discussions.

Cllr Matterface and Cllr Dexter declared a significant interest in minute number: 369 Maintenance arrangement for Town Council owned land, due to their role with the CT10 Charities. They left the room during the discussion and did not vote on the recommendation.

354 MINUTES

RESOLVED to APPROVE and Chairman to SIGN the minutes of the Council meeting of Monday 12th November 2018.

Proposed Cllr. M. Saunders, seconded: Cllr. Binks, agreed

355 COMMITTEE MINUTES

RESOLVED to receive the minutes of the following committees:

Finance and General Purposes Committee 12th November 2018 (unconfirmed)

Planning Committee 3rd December 2018 (confirmed), 7th January 2019
(unconfirmed)

Community Assets Committee 11th December 2018 (confirmed), 8th January 2018
(unconfirmed)

356 SUB COMMITTEE MEETINGS

RESOLVED to receive the minutes of the following sub-committees:

Asset and Budget Review Sub-Committee 26th November 2018 (confirmed), 14th January 2019 (unconfirmed)
Leisure and Tourism Sub-Committee 26th November 2018 (unconfirmed)
Allotments and Land Sub-Committee Minutes 7th January 2019 (unconfirmed)

357 QUESTIONS

None

358 COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor's Communications -None

359 CORRESPONDENCE AND CONSULTATION RESPONSES

The Town Clerk set before the committee the following news items of interest:

- Due to the possibility of building works, Pierremont Hall will not be used as polling station at the 2nd May 2019 local election. The Queens Road Baptist Church will be used as the alternative location. However, there will be no parking restrictions at Pierremont Hall on the day of elections if voters wish to park here.

-The Town Council is currently working on our strategy for Operation London Bridge. Town Clerk to update at next meeting.

-A survey of the Pierremont Hall flagpole to be undertaken the week of the 12th February, with the intension of getting it repaired or replaced.

-The potential of holding a drinks reception before or after the next Council meeting to thank all members for their hard-work during their time in office.

-4th February Planning Meeting to be held earlier in the evening (5pm) due to an external meeting being held on the same evening.

360 FINANCIAL MATTERS AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED to RECEIVE to receive the periodic financial report dated the 12th November 2018-25th January 2019 and AUTHORISE payment of schedule.

RESOLVED to RECEIVE the budget comparison for the period 1st April 2018-25th January 2019.

361 TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY

RESOLVED to adopt the Training and Development Policy attached to these minutes. Proposed Cllr Binks, seconded Cllr Leys, agreed.

362 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION POLICY

RESOLVED to adopt the Freedom of Information policy and schedule attached to these minutes. Proposed Cllr Binks, seconded Cllr Leys, agreed.

363 MEMORY BENCH BROADSTAIRS BANDSTAND

RESOLVED that the money budgeted (2018-19 budget) for new benches at the bandstand, be ring-fenced and used towards a new memory bench for the Broadstairs Bandstand area, a project being led by Thanet District Council. Broadstairs & St. Peter's Town Council to have an active role in the design and location of the bench.

Proposed Cllr Binks, seconded Cllr D. Saunders, agreed.

364 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO COMMUNITY ASSETS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that the Council delegate powers to the Community Assets Committee to:

- Appoint the firm for external redecoration works for Pierremont Hall.
- Agree and publish the final contract specification for the internal works in Pierremont Hall.
- Agree and approve appropriate commercial tenants for Pierremont Hall and the Pierremont Park buildings

Proposed Cllr Binks, seconded Cllr M.Saunders, agreed.

365 RETORT HOUSE NAME

RESOLVED that the Retort House venue be called:
Community Venue
Retort House

Logo agreed as follows:



The following agenda item was discussed following consideration to exclude the press and public under stand Order 3d & 11.

366 TDC STANDARDS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED to receive the TDC report TDCSC 206/18

RESOLVED to note its recommendations.

Proposed Cllr Matterface, seconded Cllr M.Saunders.

367 GRANTS

RESOLVED that the Grant recommendations from the Leisure and Tourism sub-committee, Min. 297 (including confidential minute 297) of 2018-2019 be approved.

Proposed, Cllr Parsons, seconded Cllr J.Bayford, agreed

DISCUSSED that there had been fewer Civic Grant applications than previous years, this had meant that there had been an under-spend in this budget area. Community groups or organisations looking for civic funding, who had missed the grant deadline have been told to write to the Council during the next financial year, so that their requests could be considered by Council.

368 MAINTENANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR COUNCIL OWNED LAND

RESOLVED that the recommendations from the Allotments and Land sub-committee, regarding the contractor to maintain Pierremont Park and Culmer's Amenity Land, Min. 323 (including confidential minute 323) of 2018-2019 be approved. Proposed, Cllr M.Saunders, seconded Cllr J.Bayford, agreed

369 BUDGET AND PRECEPT

RESOLVED to approve the recommended budget, Min Ref 347.

RESOLVED to approve the recommendation from the Assets and Budget Review Sub-Committee (min Ref 348) and request that the precept is not increased for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. RESOLVED to instruct Thanet District Council to collect a precept of £567,612 (£59.49 per year for a household paying Council Tax Band D), proposed Cllr Hayton, seconded Cllr Leys, agreed.

RESOLVED that a press release is issued as following:

"Members of Broadstairs

& St. Peter's Town Council, have agreed not to increase their element of the Council Tax for 2019-2020, resulting in a 0% increase in the precept.

The Town Council has managed to do this by negotiating new contracts for the Town and forward planning to achieve other income through the booking and letting of Town Council owned Assets.

Quote: Cllr Paul Moore, Mayor of Broadstairs & St. Peter's Town Council said:

"The Town Council has made a commitment through the recent community asset transfers to operate more effectively. Pierremont Hall and Retort House, will enable the Town Council to raise income through lettings and bookings in addition to the precept. All of which will enable the Town Council to provide and improve the range of activities, facilities and services to the community, both now and in the future.

RESOLVED that the budget is not released into the public domain, but the percentage spend per budget heading is circulated and published at the Town Assembly.

Members of the public were allowed to re-enter the meeting.

370 FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Monday 25th March 2019.

The Town Councillors would like to put it on record their appreciation of the hard work undertaken by the Town Clerk, especially delivering all of the additional projects over the past two years.

Town Clerk
Meeting closed at 20:22p.m.

Meeting was recorded: ~~yes~~/no
Members of the public were present: ~~yes~~/no
Members of the press were present: ~~yes~~/no