# **TENTERDEN TOWN COUNCIL**

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11<sup>th</sup> October 2016

## FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Notice is given that a meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES** Committee will be held in the Mayor's Parlour at the Town Hall on **MONDAY 17<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2016** after a meeting of the Planning Committee at **7.00pm**.

All members of this committee are summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the meeting.

Phil Burgess, Town Clerk.

Councillors Serving: (1) Mrs. J. Curteis (2) H. Edwards, (3) Mrs. S. Ferguson, (4) Miss N. Gooch, (5) Mrs. E. Hannett, (6) M. Hickmott, (7) R. Isworth, (8) C. Knowles, (9) Dr. L. Lovelidge, (10) R. Lusty, (11) K. Mulholland, (12) J. Nelson (Chairman), (13) Mrs. P. Smith, (14) A. Sugden and (15) T. Thorpe.

#### AGENDA

#### 1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**.

#### 2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**.

3. **MINUTES**. To consider and, if approved, confirm and sign the minutes and reports of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016 as a correct record.

#### 4. **MATTERS ARISING**.

### 5. **REPRESENTATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**.

Members of the public may make personal representations at this meeting by giving written notice of a request to speak and indicating briefly the matter of interest or relevant agenda item to the Town Clerk or Deputy Town Clerk no later than 12 noon on the day of the meeting. Provided always that speakers are resident in a ward of the Council and, give their full name and address prior to speaking, the committee Chairman may (or may choose not to) invite individuals to speak at the relevant point in the meeting. Speeches may not exceed three minutes duration and speakers may not participate in any subsequent debate between committee members. At the Chairman's discretion, only one speech may be made in support of each side of any contentious issue.

#### 6. **COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS**.

At the Chairman's discretion, Councillors may ask a question about any item relevant to this committee that is not on the agenda. Every question shall be put and answered without discussion. An answer may take the form of a direct oral answer or reference to a Town Council publication. Where a reply cannot be conveniently given at this meeting, an oral or written answer may be circulated at a later date.

## 7. SUB-COMMITTEE & WORKING GROUP REPORTS.

- (a) <u>Emergency Planning</u>. Report of a meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> September.
- (b) May Fayre.
- (c) <u>Participatory Budgeting</u>.
- (d) Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Donations.
- (e) <u>Website</u>. Report of a meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> October to recommend a contractor for the Town Council website.
- (f) <u>Youth Policy</u>.

### 8. **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

- (a) Income and Expenditure Report year to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016
- (b) Bank reconciliation as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016
- (c) Payment listing 1<sup>st</sup> June to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016

- 9. **MAY FAYRE.** To consider changing the way the May Fayre is funded. \*
- 10. **CCLA LOCAL AUTHORITIES PROPERTY FUND.** To approve signatories for the proposed investment of funds. \*
- 11. **INTERNAL AUDIT.** To approve the report by the internal auditor. \*
- 12. **TOWN EVENTS STEERING GROUP.** To consider the make-up of a steering committee and the involvement of outside organisations. Members to be appointed as appropriate. \*

**The Committee will be moved into closed session**. Under the Public Bodies (Admissions to meetings) Act 1960, the public and press will be excluded from the closed session due to the confidential nature of this part of the meeting which involves the discussion of confidential staffing matters and confidential financial negotiations.

#### 13. LAND ISSUES. Confidential Document 560 refers.

#### End of closed session.

#### 14. **CORRESPONDENCE.**

(a) A "tweet" from a resident regarding a possible location for a cinema in the town.

#### 15. **MINOR MATTERS**.

- (a) <u>Kent For Life</u>. A report on the campaign to save Manston Airport
- (b) <u>Kent Association of Local Councils</u>. Details of referenda for parish councils in respect of precept increases & KALC's opposition to this.
- (c) <u>KALC</u>. Emergency Plans request for registration on a Kent "master list". Tenterden is already registered.
- (d) <u>KALC</u>. Parish News for September.
- (e) <u>National Association of Local Councils</u>. Details of support for councils precepting in excess of £1 million
- (f) <u>NALC</u>. Bulletins on National Developments.
- (g) <u>NALC Bulletin</u>.
- (h) <u>CarbonSmart</u> Letter from a private company urging councils to take up government assistance on renewable energy.
- (i) <u>Kent County Council</u>. Invitation to the Parish and Town Council Seminar November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- (j) <u>Grant Funding for Parish Councils</u>. Information on grants for renewable energy.
- (k) <u>KALC Community Awards Scheme</u>. Information on the scheme.
- 16. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED TO THE CHAIRMAN.

No decision may lawfully be made under this item but matters which involve no more than an exchange of information may be discussed.

\*Attachments and tabled documents can be obtained from the Town Clerk's office or downloaded from www.tenterdentowncouncil.gov.uk.