

# TENTERDEN TOWN COUNCIL



## **MINUTES OF THE INTERNAL COMMITTEE** **MEETING HELD AT TENTERDEN TOWN HALL ON 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2018**

**Councillors Present:** H. Edwards, M. Freeman, M. Hickmott, R. Isworth (Vice-Chair), Dr. L. Lovelidge (Chair) J. Nelson and Mrs. C. Walder. Substitute: Cllr. Mrs. J. Curteis.

**Officers Present:** Town Clerk Mr. P Burgess, Deputy Town Clerk Mrs. C. Gilbert and Accounts Clerk Mrs. J. McCollum.

**Others Present:** Cllrs. J. Crawford, Mrs. S. Ferguson, Miss. N. Gooch, C. Knowles, K. Mulholland and (not members of this Committee) and six members of the public.

0320 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Cllr. Mrs. P. Smith, and non-members Cllrs. M Carter and A. Sugden.

0321 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** None.

0322 **MINUTES.** The minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

0323 **MATTERS ARISING.** None

0324 **PERSONAL REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.** None.

0325 **COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS.**

- (a) Tenterden Social Hub – Community Chest Grant. Cllr. Isworth reported on the funding gap issue between the award from the Town Council and buying a brand new bus. The Social Hub have looked into alternatives and the only achievable solution would be lease-hire a low mileage bus. The Town Clerk agreed to check if lease hiring would be an acceptable alternative.

0326 **SUB-COMMITTEE & WORKING GROUPS REPORTS.**

- (a) Public Engagement Sub-Committee. The residents survey press release and summary of key findings issued on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2018 were **NOTED**. A list of recommendations to the Town Council from the survey will be presented at the 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018 meeting.

0327 **SUB-COMMITTEE SCHEDULING.** It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the three-month advance schedule for all sub-committee meetings. Cllr. Nelson reported that the Cycling Strategy is not a Council committee and should be removed, however, it will remain on the schedule for diary purposes and but annotated.

- 0328 **ANNUAL RETURN 2017-18.** The report of the External Auditor was **NOTED**. The Committee congratulated the Town Clerk and particularly the Accounts Clerk on receiving a clear audit.
- 0329 **MILLENNIUM GARDEN.** It was **RESOLVED** to permit the organisers of Christmas in Tenterden use of the Millennium Garden for a themed event. Cllr. Edwards commented that it was great to see the garden being used.
- 0330 **WORLD POLIO DAY.** It was **RESOLVED** to permit the lighting of the Town Hall in purple on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2018 by the Tenterden Rotary Club. Cllr. Isworth reported that polio is on the verge of being eradicated across the world, therefore it is a very important day to mark.
- 0331 **PETS AS PRIZES – RECREATION GROUND TERMS & CONDITIONS.** It was **RESOLVED** that the Recreation Ground Terms of Hire are amended to include 'Hirers are not permitted to give pets/animals including goldfish away as prizes'.
- 0332 **CORRESPONDENCE.** None.
- 0333 **MINOR MATTER.**
- (a) The Pebbles, 55 High Street. Notification of the installation of a new electricity cable to land off Six Fields Path via the alleyway by The Pebbles, which is covered under the Deed of Easement, was **NOTED**.
- 0334 **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED TO THE CHAIRMAN.** None.

**The meeting opened at 8:10pm and closed at 8:22pm.**

The foregoing Minutes and Reports were confirmed and signed at the Internal Meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2018.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ (12.11.2018)