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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING OF YARMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL WILL TAKE PLACE AT CHOYD ON TUESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2025 AT 18:30. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

Brian Jacobs
Town Clerk

AGENDA

191/2024 APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for absence

192/2024 PUBLIC FORUM:

i) HARBOUR MATTERS

To receive a report from the Harbour Commissioner

ii) YARMOUTH TOWN TRUST

To receive a report from the YTT Chairman

iii) ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

To receive the local Isle of Wight Councillor's report

iv) COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

To receive any reports by Councillors concerning local groups

v) LOCAL ISSUES

To consider any Yarmouth and Thorley issues and review the Local Issues Log (attached).

vi) PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

To receive any questions from members of the public. Ten minutes are allocated in total with up to three minutes permitted per individual.

Please note that if members of the public wish to speak at any other time during the meeting they must be invited to do so by the Chair.

193/2024 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

To receive any declarations of interests

194/2024 MINUTES AND CONFIRMATION OF ACTIONS

To take as read and confirm as accurate the minutes of the January monthly meeting held 7/1/25.

195/2024 FINANCE

195/2024.1 Payment of Accounts

To approve payment of accounts for February (to be presented)

195/2024.2 Bank Reconciliation

To receive the financial statement for 31/1/25 (to be presented)

195/2024.3 BUDGET 2025/6

To review the latest pass of the above (attached) and set the precept. Note that the Budget, as presented, assumes:

- No precept increase
- YTC benefits from an increased tax base, which is the equivalent number of Band D properties in the area. The Government's decision to double-tax second properties has increased the tax base.
- £19K of projected spend is financed from Reserves. A precept increase of 26% would be needed to match spend to income; however, there is a projected underspend this year against current Budget of £7K due to slippage of projects, and that is reflected in Reserves. There is no specific recommended legal level of reserves only that it should be 'appropriate' – a minimum of 50% of projected spend is the criterion YTC has always worked to, so a zero precept increase would not embarrass the Council. A table showing the impact on Reserves is included at the bottom of the Budget chart.
- Financing a new book assumes offsetting income or funding from HYP fund.
- There is provision of £13K for the Neighbourhood Plan with no offsetting grants.
- There is a £6K provision for Yarmouth promotion project

196/2024 PLANNING ISSUES**Applications Approved:**

Application No	Location	Proposal	YTC Comment
24/01679/HOU	Ossian Cottage High Street Yarmouth Isle Of Wight PO41 OPN	Removal of first floor conservatory; Proposed extension at first floor level and associated alterations	No objections
24/01600/TW	Opposite The Mount The Common Tennyson Road Yarmouth Isle Of Wight PO41 OPN	49022; Sycamore (dead stems) - Remove all 3 stems.49997; English elm (dead stems) - Remove all 5 stems.50000; Bay laurel - Remove low branches to provide footpath clearance.49999; Sycamore (dead tree) - Remove tree.50001; Common ash (dead tree) - Remove tree.	
24/01813/RVC	Land Between Glan Y Nor And South-Lyn Tennyson Road Yarmouth Isle Of Wight	Variation of condition 2 on 22/02297/FUL for a change to materials	

197/2024 YARMOUTH SCHOOL COMMUNITY ASSET

To receive a report from Cllr S Cowley about progress of the submitted bid and any other relevant developments.

198/2024 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AND HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY

To receive a report from the Working Party Deputy Chairman.

199/2024 PROMOTION

To discuss suggestions for promoting the Yarmouth image in conjunction with Yarmouth businesses.

200/2024 RECREATION GROUND

To discuss any issues affecting the Rec

201/2024 MILL COPSE

To discuss rights of way, access and fencing in around Mill Copse.

202/2024 YARMOUTH SPORTS FOUNDATION

To discuss this issue and possible means of support.

203/2024 ENVIRONMENT OFFICER SERVICE

To discuss the IWC proposals for a massive increase in the cost of this service.

204/2024 COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

To receive an update for the community speedwatch.

205/2024 TREE WARDN SCHEME

To consider recent developments re this scheme.

206/2024 CLERK’S REPORT

To consider the Clerk’s Report for February (to be presented).

207/2024 CORRESPONDENCE

To review correspondence received since the last meeting:

Emails

30-Dec-24 IWC	Full Council to debate devolution and potential election delay amid tight government deadlines
IWC	Isle of Wight Council supports ‘Hoodies for Homeless’ campaign started by local business owner
07-Jan-25 IWC	Isle of Wight libraries to launch exciting new newsletter in 2025
13-Jan-25 Southern Water Wightlink	Southern Water Isle of Wight Water Recycling Project AI Wightlink’s £10,000 Green Innovation Fund
15-Jan-25 Action Fraud	Booking.com users targeted with scam messages
27-Jan-25 IW Alert	Beware of farm machinery scam affecting victims across the UK

208/2024 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

To agree any future agenda items

209/2024 MEETING VENUES

To confirm the venue for the next monthly meeting at 6:30pm 4/3/25, CHOYD.