



# The Yarmouth Isle of Wight Town Council

## Minutes of a meeting of Yarmouth Town Council held at CHOYD on Tuesday January 9<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 6:30pm

**PRESENT:** Councillors S Cowley (Mayor), P Cronin, R Corbett, J Allen, S Devine, J Jackson, G Head

**IN ATTENDANCE:** B Jacobs (Town Clerk), Brian Mitchell (Yarmouth Harbour Commission Representative), and 4 members of the public.

### **150/2017 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr D McCleary

### **151/2017 PUBLIC FORUM:**

#### **i) HARBOUR ISSUES**

**Visiting boat numbers 2017:** Despite poor weather throughout the season which reduced the number of overnight and lunch time visits, the harbour had a good year. In 2016 the total visitor boat numbers amounted to 38,452. In 2017 this number increased by 3,742 or 10%, a total of 42,194. These numbers include overnight, short stay and long-term visitors. All resident berths were occupied throughout the year.

**Harbour Works** to replace the greenheart piles south of the bridge with steel tubular piles is complete.

**The tender pontoon replacement** south of the bridge is delayed. The piling to receive the new pontoon is in place and the new pontoon is due to arrive at the harbour mid — late January.

**The pier restoration works** are due to commence at the beginning February and will continue through to the end of June. The pier will be closed for this period; however students will be invited to attend educational tours throughout the project.

**Informal Meeting:** The next Commissioners informal meeting will be held on the 25th January at the harbour office. Stakeholders are invited to come along for a glass of wine and chat with the Commissioners about Harbour matters.

**ii) ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR’S REPORT**

The Isle of Wight Councillor was unavoidably detained and no report was available.

**iii) THORLEY ISSUES**

There were no Thorley issues.

**iv) YARMOUTH ISSUES**

Sylvia Mence presented a report about recent flood warnings. There was no potential risk to property until a storm surge 4/1/18, when the Wightlink marshalling area was flooded. There was no disruption to ferry services, and the incident did provide an opportunity to rectify a fault in the Vykoma barriers.

Some discussion took place about the Council’s clean seas initiative, and it was suggested that local businesses should be encouraged to use paper-based products rather than plastic where possible. It was noted that Yarmouth School is supporting this initiative. Consideration was given to more recycling bins in Yarmouth; the cost would be around £52 a year, and it was suggested by Cllr Corbett that a site close to the South Street/High Street corner would be ideal. A member of the public suggested that compactible waste bins would be a good opportunity to promote recycling and a chance to make money.

**v) PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no further questions, and the Public Forum ended at 19:00

**152/2017 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Personal</b>	<b>Pecuniary</b>
S Cowley	Yarmouth Town Trust CHOYD	
G Head	RSYC WWSC	
R Corbett	Yarmouth Town Trust	
J Allen	RSYC	Multi-Service Marine River Yar Boatyard

**153/2017 MINUTES**

RESOLVED: To take as read and confirm as accurate the minutes of the Monthly Town Council held 5/12/17

## 154/2017 FINANCE

### 154/2017.1 Payment of Accounts.

RESOLVED: To approve the following payments for January 2018:

03-Jan-18	DC	Post Office Ltd	Postage	£7.84
21-Dec-17	DC	Microsoft	Office 365 subscription	£1.80
05-Dec-17	DC	Post Office Ltd	Postage	£35.00
07-Dec-17	DC	SLCC	Subscription	£165.00
13-Dec-17	DC	Readers	Certificate frames	£11.38
20-Dec-17	DC	Telecomman	Anti-malware software	£23.13
09-Jan-18	2050	Wednesday Girls	Mayor's Award 2017	£130.00
09-Jan-18	2051	Optio	Grant as per 141/2017.2	£250.00
15-Dec-17	2052	AllRound Cleaners	Cleaning services public toilets	£871.80
Various	2053	P Fitzsimmons	Dyno-Rod services public toilets	£498.00
31-Dec-17	2054	IEH	Sanitary bins public toilets	£36.00
05-Dec-17	2055	DARES Ltd	Unblocking public toilets	£120.00
05-Dec-17	2056	Forest View Nursery	Winter/Spring planting bus station	£300.00
06-Dec-17	2057	IW Mole Catcher	Mole infestation Rec Ground	£125.00
09-Jan-18	2058	Brian Jacobs	Clerk's salary December	£655.09
09-Jan-18	2059	Post Office Ltd	PAYE Clerk's salary December	£182.92
09-Jan-18	2060	Yarmouth Town Trust	Increase in rental Rec Ground	£10.00
12-Dec-17	2061	RJR	Solicitor fess office tenancy	£300.00
09-Jan-18	2062	Business Stream	Water services public toilets	£610.42

The cost of winter planting by Forest View Nursery was considered to be high, and it was RESOLVED to put this out to tender in April.

### 154/2017.2 Bank Reconciliation.

RESOLVED: To approve the financial statement for December 2017 as presented

### 154/2017.3 Draft Budget 2018/19

RESOLVED: To accept the draft budget for 2018/19, subject to an increase of £5K for improvements to public toilets, and set a net precept of £61,200. Proposed Mayor Cowley, seconded Cllr Corbett and carried unanimously.

## 155/2017 PLANNING ISSUES

### 155/2017.1 Planning Applications:

The following applications were considered:

Application No	Location	Proposal	Comments due
TCP/33301 - P/01407/17	St. Hilda, Victoria Road, Yarmouth, Isle Of Wight, PO410QW	Householder Application - Loft conversion with dormer to rear elevation, 2x velux windows to front elevation roof and new	Comments Due By: 29/12/2017

		velux to rear.	
TCP/13166/K - P/01487/17	Yarmouth Sailing Club, Bridge Road, Yarmouth, Isle Of Wight, PO410NL	Proposed detached storage shed	Comments Due By: 05/01/2018
TCP/22441/C - P/01394/17	Mill Creek Cottage, Mill Lane, Yarmouth, Isle Of Wight, PO410QY	Variation of condition 2 on P/00775/16 to allow alterations to windows and removal of first floor balcony	Comments Due By: 05/01/2018

**RESOLVED:**

P/01407/17: No objections

P/01487/17: Yarmouth Town Council considers this development to be visually intrusive in a conservation area, and the size of the structure to be out of scale with the main building. There is also concern about the absence of any landscaping for this development.

P/01394/17: No objections

The following were noted:

**P/01352/17 Little End, South Street, Yarmouth:** Response from Island Roads  
**155/2017.2 Other Planning issues**

**Permission Granted:** None

**Permission refused:** None

**Appeal allowed:** None

**Temporary Event Notices:** None

**TPOs:**

**Location:** Orchards, St. James Close, Yarmouth

**No objection to the following:** To the work requested to the Macrocarpa tree detailed in the application.

**Reason:** The work is necessary to make the tree safer for the surrounding area.

**156/2017 FRESHWATER HABITAT TESTING**

The Clerk distributed IoW Water Blitz testing kits and instructions.

**157/2017 SEA LANE**

Cllr Corbett reported that compilation of the additional witness statements was under way and would be concluded shortly. A letter received from John May in response to notification of the Modification Order was considered. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should draft a response to the IWC re this letter.

**158/2017 BUS SHELTER**

A Canadian resident wishes to erect a memorial bus shelter on the Island for his late wife, and Lake PC are asking if any local council would be interested in this offer. It was RESOLVED that YTC would make no application

**159/2017 OFFICE RELOCATION**

The Clerk reported that he would be moving the YTC furniture and office equipment to CHOYD during the next few days.

**160/2017 PUBLIC TOILETS**

Developments and future plans for the 2 public toilet blocks were dealt with under minute 154/2017.3.

**161/2017 SEA POLLUTION INITIATIVE**

This topic had been dealt with in the Public Forum.

**162/2017 CELEBRATIONS TO COMMEMORATE THE END OF WW1**

It was decided to defer this item until the next meeting.

**163/2017 CLERK'S REPORT**

**163/2017.1 ACUTE SERVICES REDESIGN**

The meeting to be held Thursday 18th January 2018 between 4pm and 6pm (venue to be confirmed) was noted.

**163/2017.2 MEMORIAL BENCH**

No progress had been made on the recent application for a bench at the Town Green Recreation Ground in memory of Barry Coates-Evans, and Mayor Cowley will visit RVN to assess the suitability of one of their products.

**163/2017.3 AONB AGM AND ANNUAL FORUM**

The Isle of Wight AONB partnership will be holding its AGM and Annual Forum Tuesday 30th January 2018, Brading Roman Villa, 10.00am – 3.30pm. Councillor Head will attend.

**163/2017.4 PROPOSED CHANGES BY THE IWC TO THE NON RESIDENTIAL CARE CHARGING POLICY**

An IWALC special meeting next Thursday (11th) to discuss the proposed changes by the IWC to the non-residential care charging policy was noted.

**163/2017.5 RECREATION GROUND AND PLAY AREA**

Replacement of the Board Rider with a swing unit was considered, and estimates will be sought. The Clerk will contact Paul Atkinson to see if he’s tracked down the strap for the Board Rider which was deliberately removed.

A grant towards restoration of the Y&CFC pavilion in 2018/19. It was decided to defer consideration on this until an application is received, and a satisfactory project plan is in place.

**164/2017 CORRESPONDENCE**

RESOLVED: To accept the correspondence list for December as presented

**165/2017 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Memorial Bench
- Play Area equipment
- Public toilets renovation
- Sea pollution initiative
- Celebrations to commemorate the end of WW1

**166/2017 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED: To note the date, time and venue of the next monthly meeting at CHOYD, 6:30pm 6/2/18, and to rearrange the April meeting to 9/4/18.

**167/2017 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

RESOLVED: That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw.

**Signed..... (Town Mayor)**

**Date.....**