



The Yarmouth Isle of Wight Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of Yarmouth Town Council held at Thorley Church on Tuesday March 6th 2018 at 6:30pm

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

IN ATTENDANCE: B Jacobs (Town Clerk), Harbour Commission Representative

191/2017 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from IW Cllr Hutchinson

192/2017 PUBLIC FORUM:

i) HARBOUR ISSUES

Visiting boat numbers for February: Overnight visits to the harbour show an increase of 4% at 149 visits. Short stays are down by 9 visits. Sailing school visits are up by 14%. Long Term Visitors (LTVs) are up by 18% at 1,624 nights. The total for the month is 1,861 visits, up by 250 or 16%. Harbour Works

The Pier: The pier restoration works are well underway. The YHC maintenance team have completed the preparatory works. The contractors have removed the hand rail for storage. 25% of the pier head planks have been taken up. On dose inspection, it is estimated that 95% of the planks, joist and railings can be re-used. There have been some delays due to extreme weather conditions but progress is good.

ii) ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

IW Cllr Hutchinson had previously emailed to comment that the IWC budget for the coming year had been approved, though not under the most satisfactory of circumstances.

iii) THORLEY ISSUES

Cllr Devine that she had held an informal site meeting with Cllr Head, and concluded that the centre of Thorley, the area around the bus shelter, was looking rather

shabby, and in need of some remedial attention. She and Cllr Head suggested the following proposals:

- The Clerk to contact Island Roads and request that the bus shelter is renovated to replace all the rotting wood; local volunteers could assist, if necessary
- Request Island Roads replace the rusty litter bin
- Contact Southern Housing Group to suggest replacing the scaffold-pole type railings in the area with a more aesthetic alternative
- Arrange for the noticeboard supports to be renovated
- Contact Shalfleet PC asking them to discuss the condition of the bus shelter at the A3054 end of Hill Place Lane

RESOLVED: That the above measures be adopted, and the Clerk to expedite the necessary processes to enable this.

iv) YARMOUTH ISSUES

Cllr Jackson highlighted the unhygienic state of the bus shelter at Yarmouth bus station, and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should bring this to the attention of Southern Vectis.

Cllr Corbet reported that the County Archivist will be mounting an exhibition of local photographs at CHOYD on 13/3/18, starting 10:30.

Cllr Cronin reported that the tree on the small patch of green on the corner of South Street/Tennyson Road is still in need of pruning, and requested the Clerk to arrange with the YTC contractors for this to be done.

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should request quotes from 2 local contractors for the following work:

- Weeding the flower beds in Yarmouth and covering with membrane to prevent further weed growth
- Planting the flower beds with drought resistant, low maintenance plants, and populating the bus station planters with appropriate plants, at the discretion of the contractor, subject to agreement with local Councillors

Cllr Allen will arrange for scrap timber from the Pier renovation project to be used to replace the decaying timber at the Common flower bed.

v) PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There being no further questions, the Public Forum concluded at 19:00.

193/2017 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Councillor	Personal	Pecuniary
S Cowley	Yarmouth Town Trust CHOYD	Lee Farm
J Allen		Multi-Service Marine River Yar Boatyard
G Head	National Trust WWSCC British Horse Society RSPB	
S Devine	RSPB	
R Corbett	Yarmouth Town Trust	

194/2017 MINUTES

RESOLVED: To take as read and confirm as accurate the minutes of the Monthly Town Council held 6/2/18

195/2017 FINANCE

195/2017.1 Payment of Accounts.

RESOLVED: To approve the following payment of accounts for March 2018:

DC	GIFFGAFF	Office telephone	£91.50
DC	Google	Office telephone	£3.99
DC	HMRC PAYE	PAYE Clerk's salary January	£183.12
DC	HMRC PAYE	PAYE Clerk's salary February	£183.12
DC	Microsoft	Office 365 subscription	£1.80
DC	Post Office Ltd	Postage	£4.90
DC	Post Office Ltd	Postage	£34.68
2073	Brian Jacobs	Clerk's salary February	£654.89
2074	Wight Digital Solutions	Repairs office printer	£42.00
2075	WBS	Stationery	£85.30
2076	All Round Cleaners	Cleaning public toilets	£811.20
2077	IEH Ltd	Sanitary bins	£36.00
2078	PJ Day	Plumbing services public toilets	£120.00
2079	Brian Jacobs	Expenses	£72.00

195/2017.2 Bank Reconciliation.

RESOLVED: To approve the financial statement for February 2018 as presented

195/2016.3 Precept

It was noted that, following an extensive debate by MPs about the funding of local government, the final settlement was approved by the House of Commons in

February, including the multi-year deal not to extend council tax referendum principles to local councils.

196/2017 PLANNING ISSUES

196/2017.1 Planning Applications:

The following applications were considered:

Application No	Location	Proposal	Comments due
P/00147/18	Little End, South Street, Yarmouth, Isle Of Wight, PO410QH	Demolition of bungalow; proposed two storey residential dwelling with associated garages	Comments Due By: 09/03/2018
TCP/10401/E - P/00117/18	Hampshire Constabulary, Yarmouth Police Station, High Street, Yarmouth, Isle Of Wight, PO410PL	Variation of condition 2 on P/00066/16 to alter footprint and window design	Comments Due By: 02/03/2018
TCP/33300 - c	Haslemere, 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 velux to rear (revised plans)(re-advertised application)	Comments Due By: 02/03/2018
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 velux to rear (revised plans)(re-advertised application)	Comments Due By: 02/03/2018

No objections were raised to the following applications:

P/00147/18

P/00117/18

It was RESOLVED that a comment should be raised for the following applications to the effect of supporting the AONB comments expressing concern about the developments because of light pollution:

P/00117/18

P/01407/17

196/2017.2 Other Planning issues

To note the following:

Permission Granted: None

Permission refused: None

Appeal allowed: None

Temporary Event Notices: None

TPOs: None

197/2017 FRIARS LANE

There had been no further progress on the application for a Modification Order for this sea lane, though it was noted that all barriers had now been removed, and the Lane was fully open.

198/2017 ST JAMES DAY

Chris Waddington would like to revive St James' Day, last held 2010, and has asked for any input from YTC. Mayor Cowley suggested that it could be combined with celebrations to mark the centenary of the signing of the peace treaty which ended WW1, and the Mayor will write to Mr Waddington to express Yarmouth Town Council's support.

199/2017 PUBLIC TOILETS

Cllr Cronin and Cllr Allen have identified that the principle cause of blockages at Bridge Road toilets is the shallowness of the fall to the drains in the road, and suggested that the easiest resolution of this problem could be achieved by re-plumbing the ladies and gents outlets to a common waste. Cllrs Allen and McCleary will provide details of suitable contractors to carry out this work, and Cllrs Allen and Cronin will draw up a plan for them to follow.

200/2017 SEA POLLUTION INITIATIVE

No further progress had been made on this issue.

201/2017 PLAY AREA EQUIPMENT

The Clerk announced that a new handle for the Board Rider had been ordered, which will allow the unit to be sold, and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk would arrange for this to be advertised on eBay.

It was proposed to replace it with the old swing unit, and Mayor Cowley and Cllr Cronin will check the dimensions of the unit and the available area to ensure that this can be accomplished.

The replacement issue will be referred to the Recreation Ground Committee for consideration.

202/2017 CELEBRATIONS TO COMMEMORATE THE END OF WW1

Mayor Cowley's suggestion to arrange a high tea at CHOYD for 3 generations of local families who had associations with WW1 was given the full support of all Councillors.

203/2017 CLERK'S REPORT

203/2017.1 MEMORIAL BENCH

Mayor Cowley will contact RVN to arrange supply of the concrete ends, and the Clerk will then arrange for the purchase of reconstituted plastic planks from Reformed Plastics of Bournemouth.

203/2017.2 SOUTH & SOUTH EAST IN BLOOM

It was noted that South & South East in Bloom is holding a briefing session at Shanklin Football Club on the 25th April for both existing and potential entrants on the Isle of Wight.

203/2017.3 ISLAND ROADS' ANNUAL ASSET MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

No Councillors wished to attend this Workshop.

203/2017.4 ISLAND ROADS' VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY PROGRAMME

Island Roads has a volunteering programme under which staff are encouraged to take two days a year paid leave to support local charity initiatives or good causes. Under the scheme, employees have spent the equivalent of hundreds of days supporting work in the community.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to contact Island Roads to see if they can arrange for the meadow at Yarmouth Recreation Ground to be cleared of weed growth and levelled for the installation of the old swing unit, or adaption of the existing frame at the site.

203/2017.5 OLD TELEPHONE KIOSK

RESOLVED: The Clerk to sign the contract for purchasing the former BT telephone box in the Square.

204/2017 CORRESPONDENCE

RESOLVED: To accept the correspondence list for February as presented

205/2017 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The following were agreed:

Memorial Bench

Play Area equipment

Public toilets renovation

Sea pollution initiative

Sea Lanes
Celebrations to commemorate the end of WW1

206/2017 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: To note the date, time and venue of the next monthly meeting at Yarmouth Town Hall, 6:30pm 10/4/18

207/2017 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.....