



The Yarmouth Isle of Wight Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of Yarmouth Town Council held at Yarmouth Town Hall on Tuesday July 3rd 2018 at 6:30pm

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

IN ATTENDANCE: B Jacobs (Town Clerk), Sue Poston (Harbour Commission Representative), and 2 members of the public

59/2018 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D McCleary and G Head, and Cnty Cllr S Hutchinson

60/2018 PUBLIC FORUM:

i) HARBOUR ISSUES

Performance: Short stays or lunchtime visits were up by 121 boats or 16% compared to the previous year totalling 879 visits. Sailing school visits are up by 31%. Overnight visits to the harbour show an increase on 2017 of 5% or 130 boats totalling 2872. This figure is the highest recorded for June, beating the record by 108 visits or 4%.

Long Term Visitor (LTVs) are up by 9%, totalling 1738 nights. This figure is also the highest recorded.

Year to date up to the end of June 2018: Total visitor boat numbers at 19,467 show an increase on 2017 figures of 1025 visits or 6%.

Harbour Works, The Pier: The works are going well. There have been some hold ups due to inclement weather earlier in the year and the Isle of Wight Festival which has delayed the contractors, however the piers tale project in general is on budget and on time.

The grand opening ceremony will be on the 13th August. Invites will be sent out shortly.

Marine Conservation Zone-Yarmouth to Cowes consultation: Yarmouth to Cowes recommended Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ) is an inshore site that covers an area of approximately 16 km². The site runs along the north-west coast of the Isle of Wight. The site stretches along the coast from Yarmouth Harbour in the west to the village of

Gurnard in the east. The proposed boundary has changed from the original recommendation and now stops 16 metres short of the Commissioners jurisdiction east of the pier. The change followed lobbying by local stakeholders voicing concerns regarding socioeconomic impacts. YHC jurisdiction is already heavily designated. Due to the lack of clarity as to how this site will be managed this recommendation is most welcome.

ii) ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

The local Isle of Wight Councillor was not present, but had indicated by email that there was nothing to report this month.

iii) THORLEY ISSUES

It was noted that the large wet area in the middle of the field between Tattells Lane and Hill Place Lane had been reported to IWC Rights of Way department, who did not consider that this was currently a hazard. It was decided to raise this issue again when the weather becomes wet.

There has been no action by Island Roads to the complaint that the recent redecoration of the bus shelter was not satisfactorily carried out, and the Clerk was asked to issue a reminder to Island Roads.

iv) YARMOUTH ISSUES

Cllr Corbett reported that he had received complaints from Yarmouth residents regarding the IWC policy of allowing local businesses two on-street parking spaces, it being felt that one of these should be allocated to River Way car park, which is usually only half-full. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should contact County Cllr Stuart Hutchinson with these concerns.

Cllr Corbett also wished to ask the CHOYD trustees for permission to display a copy of the internal notice advertising YTC opening hours outside the building.

Cllr Allen was concerned that the replacement of the cast iron bollard outside ‘Treasure Trove’ with a plastic model was unsatisfactory, and it was REOLVED that the Clerk would make a complaint to Island Roads about this.

v) PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There being no further questions from members of the public, the Public Forum ended at 18:55.

61/2018 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Councillor	Personal	Pecuniary
S Cowley	Yarmouth Town Trust CHOYD Shalfleet Parish Council	Lee Farm
J Allen		Multi-Service Marine River Yar Boatyard

S Devine	RSPB	
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62/2018 MINUTES

RESOLVED: To take as read and confirm as accurate the minutes of the monthly Town Council held 5/6/18.

63/2018 FINANCE

63/2018.1 Payment of Accounts

Payment of the following accounts was authorised for July 2018:

2100	Ashridge Nurseries	Replacement trees Community Orchard - cheque cancelled	-£89.90
2109	S Cowley	Replacement trees Community	£89.90
2110	Ventnor TC	Wallgate contract	£349.20
2111	Citizens Advice IW	Grant	£250.00
2112	Yarmouth Gig Rowing Club	Grant	£250.00
2113	Thorley Church	Hire of church March/June meetings	£50.40
2114	CHOYD	Broadband services	£65.52
2115	Brian Jacobs	Clerk's salary June	£692.44
2116	Brian Jacobs	Clerk's expenses	£36.00
2117	All Round Cleaners	Cleaning services public toilets	£889.32
2118	Vision ICT	Website hosting	£132.00
2119	WBS	Office stationery & equipment	£220.78
DD	PWLB	Loan re CHOYD	£1,787.10
DC	Business Stream	Water charges The Common	£70.04
DC	Cash	Holmes Bounty	£150.00
DC	Microsoft	Office 365 subscription	£1.80
DC	Post Office	Postage	£9.80
DC	GIFFGAFF	Office phone	£7.50
DC	HMRC	PAYE Clerk's salary June	£195.69
DD	SSE	Electricity Bridge Road toilets	£146.50
DD	SSE	Electricity The Common toilets	£34.53

63/2018.2 Bank Reconciliation

RESOLVED: To approve the financial statement for June 2018 as presented.

64/2018 PLANNING ISSUES

64/2018.1 Planning Applications: None

64/2018.2 Other Planning issues

The following were noted:

Permission Granted:

Application No	Location	Proposal
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TCP/11303/H - P/00487/18	Hill Place, Hill Place Lane, Thorley, Yarmouth, Isle Of Wight, PO410XJ	Householder Application - Proposed additional garden store and glasshouse
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Appeal allowed: None

Temporary Event Notices: None

TPOs:

Protection, Trees in Yarmouth Conservation Area

Location: St James Church, St James Street, Yarmouth, Isle of Wight

Following the Officer’s site visit on 6 June 2018, it is confirmed:

No objection to the following: Consent to remove the bay tree detailed in the application and reduce the holly in the manner detailed in the application.

Reason: The bay is damaging the surround grave stones and the holly is to be reduced to improve its form.

65/2018 MARINE CONSERVATION ZONES

Standing orders were suspended to allow Sylvia Mence to recommend the Yarmouth Town Council response to Environment Secretary Michael Gove’s plans to create 41 new Marine Conservation Zones across the UK. She suggested that online submission to respond to this survey would be the most efficacious, as it provides the opportunity to make concise arguments, and will have greater impact. The main substance of her recommendations was that Bouldnor Bay needs to be excluded from the suggested MCZ because of its interdependence with Yarmouth Harbour, which is excluded from the MCZ. Councillors agreed with her and it was RESOLVED that Sylvia would prepare a response on behalf of YTC which the Clerk would then submit.

Cllr Corbett that a scouring out of shingle had occurred between Yarmouth Castle and Bouldnor Bay, resulting in an undermining of the sea wall.

A member of the public asked if Shalfleet Parish Council were also being lobbied, since Bouldnor Bay falls within its area. Mayor Cowley, in his role of Shalfleet PC Chairman, undertook to place it on the agenda for the next Shalfleet monthly meeting.

66/2018 PUBLIC TOILETS

Cllr Allen reported that he had received an estimate from a contractor for around £4K to carry out the suggested works at Bridge Road toilets, and this is the only estimate received. It was RESOLVED to proceed with this estimate in early Autumn.

Cllr Cronin pointed out that the waste pipe underneath the alley by the gents’ toilets probably also needs relining.

It was reported that the Bridge Road urinals were blocked again, and that the basin stop cock at the Common gents was leaking. The Clerk undertook to arrange for the repair of these faults.

It was RESOLVED to treat the planting trough outside the Common toilets with membrane and chippings. Cllr agreed to arrange this with Michael Renwick.

It was also RESOLVED that the Clerk would order ‘Ladies’ and ‘Gentlemen’ signs for Bridge Road toilets, and Cllr Allen agreed to fit them.

67/2018 SEA POLLUTION INITIATIVE

Cllr Devine reported that she and Cllr Head had been giving regular presentations at Yarmouth School on this issue. Cllr Allen reported that he had been removing plastic waste from the Rive Yar adjacent to his boatyard.

68/2018 PLAY AREA EQUIPMENT AND RECREATION GROUND

The minutes of the last meeting of the Recreation Ground Committee were noted. Cllr Cronin circulated a map showing that part of the wild area at the Town Green Recreation Ground which is owned by Yarmouth Town Council, and the Clerk was tasked to obtain a Land Registry deed for this area. It was decided that clearing the meadow was the main priority, levelling it, securing land drain holes, temporarily grassing it to suppress weed growth and then replanting as necessary with native trees such as oak, hazel and fruit trees, having laid down a track with climbing frames, etc suitable for older children and adults. The Clerk was tasked to prepare a project plan for submission to Yarmouth Town Trust.

Board Rider: Brighstone PC have indicated that they do not wish to proceed with purchasing the Board Rider, and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should endeavour to advertise it via the HALC circulation list, and place it for sale on eBay.

It was agreed that repainting the Play Area fence would be undertaken by volunteers on 17/7/18 at 10am.

69/2018 TELEPHONE KIOSK

Suitable paint has now been obtained, and repainting will be carried out by Cllrs Corbin and Jackson.

70/2018 ISLE OF WIGHT DAY

Sylvia Mence had previously given notice in the Public Forum that CHOYD had organised a coffee morning for Isle of Wight Day (22/9/18) at which attendees would display their local memorabilia, and Cllr Corbett asked that the Holmes coat of arms could be retrieved from Lee Farm and displayed at this, and other, events.

71/2018 LOVESHORE LANE GRAVELLING

It was decided to delay gravelling Loveshore Lane as the owner of Loveshore Cottage is planning to carry out repairs to his garden wall, which borders the Lane.

72/2018 CLERK'S REPORT

72/2018.1 MARITIME ISSUES

It was noted that on 17 May, the Minister for Northern Powerhouse and Local Growth, MP Jake Berry announced the launch of the **Coastal Revival Fund**, and bids are invited;

however, as the notification was not circulated until 12/6/18, there was no opportunity to bid before the closing date of 5/7/18.

72/2018.2 REMEMBRANCE DAY SILHOUETTE INSTALLATION GRANTS

The Clerk informed that an order had been placed for 10 of these, which had been acknowledged.

72/2018.3 GRANT REQUESTS

A request for a grant of £250 has been received from Breakout Youth and from West Wight Youth FC for an unspecified amount. The Mayor declared a personal interest in the latter application and did not participate in the discussion.

It was RESOLVED to grant WWYFC £50.

72/2018.4 SPONSORED SOLENT SWIM

YTC have sponsored Helen Gibbs before, and it was RESOLVED to sponsor her again for £50.

72/2018.5 STREET FURNITURE AUDIT

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would order a reconstituted plastic bench to replace the one outside Off the Rails, and that the audit would take place 18/7/18 beginning 10am.

73/2018 CORRESPONDENCE

RESOLVED: To accept the correspondence list for June as presented.

74/2018 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Bridge Road drainage works
- Street furniture
- Loveshore Lane gravelling

75/2018 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: To note the date, time and venue of the and next monthly meeting which will be 4/9/18 at Yarmouth Town Hall, 6:30pm

76/2018 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.....

