

Minutes of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of the Swanage
Town Council held at the Town Hall, Swanage on
MONDAY, 19th DECEMBER 2005 at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT: -

Councillor A.H. Miller (Town Mayor) – Chairman

Councillor Mrs. C.A. Bartlett

Councillor Mrs. C Gainsborough

Councillor M. Hadley

Councillor M.W. Pratt

Councillor G.M. Suttle

Councillor W.S. Trite

Councillor M.A. Tyrer

Councillor Mrs. J.D. Wheeldon

123. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for their inability to attend the Meeting were received from
Councillors Bright and Mrs. Farrow.

124. **MINUTES**

(a) Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Gainsborough, seconded by Councillor Mrs.
Wheeldon, and RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held
on 28th November 2005 be approved as a correct record
and signed.

(b) Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, seconded by Councillor Tyrer, and
RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the
Council held to discuss planning and other matters
on 25th November 2005 be approved as a correct record
and signed.

(c) Proposed by Councillor Pratt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Gainsborough,
and RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the
Council held to discuss Estimates and seasonal charges
on 5th December 2005 be approved as a correct record
and signed, subject to it being recorded in Minute No. 3
that Councillor Hadley had voted **In favour** of the
Proposition.

125. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, seconded by Councillor Pratt,
and RESOLVED:-

That the notes on the Public Participation
Time held on 28th November 2005 be accepted.

126. **TOURISM AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Gainsborough, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, and RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Swanage Tourism and Environmental Committee held on 28th November 2005 be approved as a correct record and signed.

127. **BEACH GARDENS BEST VALUE REVIEW WORKING GROUP**

Proposed by Councillor Pratt, seconded by Councillor Tyrer, and RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Beach Gardens Best Value Review Working Group held on 30th November 2005 be approved as a correct record and signed.

128. **BOAT PARK COMMITTEE**

Proposed by Councillor Tyrer, seconded by Councillor Pratt, and RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Boat Park Committee held on 9th December 2005 be approved as a correct record and signed.

Arising from the above, attention was drawn to the proposed additional 10% increase in grid fees, which was conditional upon the revised layout being implemented.

129. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor was pleased to report that "Switch on Swanage" and the arrival of Father Christmas, held on 26th November 2005, had been a very successful event, enjoyed by a large crowd who had gathered to join in the festivities.

130. **TOURISM REPORT**

The Tourist Information Centre Manager reported on the following matters:-

- (a) Footfall during December at the Tourist Information Centre had already exceeded the figures for December 2005.
- (b) The 2006 holiday guide had now been received from the publishers, and it was anticipated that approximately 12,000 guides would be distributed by February 2006.
- (c) Sale of the charity Christmas cards at the TIC had now ceased, and it was expected that overall sales would be slightly up on previous years.
- (d) Staff at the TIC are currently preparing the mailout for the Caravan and Camping Guide. This guide is an "in-house" publication and is always very popular with campers in the area.

131. **HOLIDAY PARK REPORT**

In the absence of the Holiday Park General Manager, there were no matters to report on the Holiday Park.

132. **OPERATIONS REPORT**

In the absence of the Operations Manager, there were no matters to report on outside works at the present time.

133. **ANY OTHER MATTERS WHICH THE TOWN MAYOR DECIDES ARE URGENT**

There were no additional matters in need of urgent attention.

134. **METEOROLOGICAL RECORDS**

The meteorological records for the month of November 2005 were submitted for information.

135. **PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

Proposed by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, seconded by Councillor Tyrer, and
RESOLVED:-

That the accounts specified in the Orders on Treasurer
Nos. 9, 9a and 9b, amounting to £116,629.53,
£41,716.38 and £19,553.47 respectively be paid,
and that cheques be drawn therefor.

136. **STATEMENT OF CASH BALANCE**

The Clerk submitted a statement of cash balance as at 30th November 2005
(copies having been circulated to all Councillors), a copy attached at the end of
these Minutes.
