

Minutes of the **EXTRAORDINARY MEETING** of the
Swanage Town Council held at the Town Hall, Swanage on
WEDNESDAY, 12th NOVEMBER 2008 at 9.30 a.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor M.W. Pratt (Town Mayor) - Chairman

Councillor B. Audley

Councillor Mrs. C. Gainsborough JP

Councillor L. Gloyn-Cox

Councillor Mrs. G.A. Marsh

Councillor Mrs. A. Patrick

Councillor S. Poultney

Councillor G.M. Suttle

Councillor W.S. Trite

Councillor M. Whitwam (until 10.45 a.m.)

Public Participation Time

There were no members of the public in attendance at the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES**

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

2. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Gainsborough, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That under Standing Order Nos. 67 and 68, by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the Meeting during consideration of the following matter.

3. **SWANAGE BAY VIEW HOLIDAY PARK – BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLAN**

Further to Minute No. 8a of the Special Meeting of the Council held on 7th November 2008 and the immediate departure of the Holiday Park General Manager, the Clerk summarised the position regarding the four options outlined for consideration for the continuity of business at the Holiday Park.

The merits of each option were considered in the context of the current circumstances i.e. the imminent disposal of the Park by lease or freehold sale.

Following a lengthy debate, it was proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Trite, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That Option 4) – to appoint a replacement from the list of applicants ‘on hold’ since March 2008 be adopted.

It was then proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Trite, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

To invoke Standing Order No. 78.

It was further proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Trite, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That Standing Order Nos. 60, 61 and 62 be suspended, and that a Committee comprising of the Town Mayor, Councillor Suttle (Chairman of the Caravan Park Committee) and the Town Clerk be given delegated authority to interview and appoint (if appropriate) a candidate for the full-time temporary General Manager appointment.

Following further discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Gloyn-Cox, seconded by the Town Mayor, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That in the event of the above candidate being unsuitable/unavailable for the position, Option 1) – to appoint a Facility Management Company be adopted.

The meeting concluded at 10.30 a.m.
