

Minutes of the **EXTRAORDINARY MEETING** of  
the Swanage Town Council held at the Town Hall,  
Swanage on **WEDNESDAY, 17<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2014** at  
4.30 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor Mrs. A. Patrick (Mayor) – Chairman

Councillor Mrs C. Bartlett  
Councillor M. Bonfield  
Councillor I. Brown  
Councillor Mrs. G.A. Marsh  
Councillor S. Poultney  
Councillor M.W. Pratt  
Councillor W.S. Trite  
Councillor M. Whitwam  
Councillor A. Wiggins

In addition to Members of the Council and officers, 6 members of the public attended the Meeting.

### **Public Participation Time**

The following matters were raised by representatives from the Royal British Legion – Swanage Branch during Public Participation Time:-

- War Memorial to be re-instated to its original design, including the surrounding wall.

The Town Mayor opened the Council Meeting at 4.45 p.m.

1. **APOLOGIES**

An apology for his inability to attend the Meeting was received from Councillor Suttle.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were invited to declare their interest under the Code of Conduct as defined by regulations made under section 30 (3) of the Localism Act 2011.  
There were no declarations to record on this occasion.

3. **SEAFRONT AND DOWNS STABILISATION SCHEMES**

(a) **New Location of War Memorial**

Further to Minute No. 4 of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2014, the Clerk updated those present on matters relating to the dismantling and re-siting of the War Memorial.  
A plan showing the proposed new location of the memorial was submitted, for information.

During the ensuing discussion, Members were adamant that, bearing in mind the lower gradient of the land, the War Memorial should be re-sited in a prominent position, clearly visible from the east (seaward direction). Members also wished to retain the option to re-instate the perimeter wall. After detailed consideration of the plan, it was proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Poultney, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

To agree the new location of the War Memorial, as indicated on the plan submitted, together with an appropriate hard surface surround.

(b) **Interim Public Toilet Facilities**

Having regard to the on-going seafront stabilisation works and the forthcoming holiday season, consideration was given to the provision of interim public toilet facilities pending the completion of the new toilet block on Shore Road (projected completion date mid-July 2014).

The Operations Manager reported on options available, and costings, for the hire of temporary toilet facilities.

Detailed consideration was given to these options, and during the debate Members acknowledged the importance of providing good facilities in this popular area.

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

That the Operations Manager be authorised to pursue the provision of temporary toilet facilities at the earliest opportunity, at a cost of approximately £7,000, and that directional signage indicating the public toilets in the town be displayed in suitable locations.

4. **DOWNS STABILISATION SCHEME**

Further to Minute No. 170 (b) of the Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2014, it was noted that no decision had yet been made as to the resurfacing of Broad Road car park by the delegated Councillors pending receipt of further professional advice.

The meeting concluded at 5.10 p.m.

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