

Minutes of the **SPECIAL MEETING** of the Swanage Town Council held at the Town Hall, Swanage on **MONDAY, 29th APRIL 2013** at 4.00 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor W.S. Trite (Town Mayor) – Chairman.

Councillor Mrs. C. Bartlett
Councillor Mrs. G.A. Marsh
Councillor S. Poultney
Councillor M. Whitwam
Councillor A. Wiggins

There were no members of the public present at the Meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for their inability to attend the Meeting were received from Councillors Bonfield, Brown, Miss Harris, Mrs. Patrick, Pratt and Suttle.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

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. **SHORE ROAD PUBLIC CONVENIENCES**

Further to previous discussions, consideration was again given to the refurbishment/rebuilding of the public conveniences on Shore Road.

During the ensuing discussion, Members felt that the possibility of re-building the facilities should be further explored, with a view to incorporating the project within the seafront enhancement scheme. Copies of plans (previously submitted) had been circulated to all Members prior to the Meeting, and, whilst endorsing the increased footprint of the proposed new building, it was felt that further consideration should be given to the facilities to be provided within the interior design of the building.

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

To authorise expenditure not exceeding the sum of £5,000 in order to progress the scheme.

4. **SEAFRONT STABILISATION SCHEME**

Following public consultation on the proposals for the Seafront Stabilisation Scheme, the Clerk reported that 62 comments had been received, the majority of which were in favour of the proposals.

An analysis of the general public feedback was submitted, for information.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

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

That, under Standing Orders 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 matters.

5. **SHORE ROAD ICE CREAM CONCESSION**

Further to Minute No. 14 (a) of the Policy and Planning Meeting held on 22nd April 2013, the Clerk updated those present on a subsequent meeting held with the present tenant on a without prejudice basis regarding potential continued occupation of the site.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, seconded by Councillor Wiggins, and **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-**

To withdraw the notice which had previously been served further to Minute No. 79 (e) of the Council Meeting held on 1st October 2012.

It was then proposed by Councillor Wiggins, seconded by Councillor Poultney, and **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-**

To confirm acceptance of the offer for the existing kiosk site for the 2013 summer season which had been made by the existing operator on a without prejudice basis.

A lengthy discussion ensued, following which it was proposed by Councillor Poultney, seconded by the Town Mayor, and **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-**

That matters relating to the future occupation of any new Shore Road kiosk be deferred for consideration at a Special Meeting of the Council (the date to be determined).

Consideration was then given to the design for a new structure which was to be incorporated within the seafront enhancement scheme as part of the stabilisation works, and it was proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Whitwam, and **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-**

That further discussions be held with the Council's architects regarding the design of the proposed new structure which was to be incorporated within the scheme as part of the stabilisation works.

The meeting concluded at 5.40 p.m.
