

## **YARMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF YARMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, THE SQUARE, YARMOUTH ON TUESDAY 16 JUNE 2009 AT 7.10PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillors S Cowley (Town Mayor), P Garlick, R Goodridge, A Ingrams, S Mence, S Poston and B Tongue.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** R H Blezzard (Town Clerk)  
S Dyer CC  
WPCSO C Quinn (Yarmouth Police)

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor R Corbett.

### **PART 1**

#### **156/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Councillor Mence declared personal interests in Minute 163/09 by reason of being Secretary of the Yarmouth and Thorley Community Plan Steering Committee and in Minute 164/09 by reason of being substitute IWALC representative.

Councillor Poston declared a personal interest in Minute 164/09 by reason of being Chair of the West Wight Landscape Partnership.

#### **157/09 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Attention was drawn to the four bollards used to raise the Gladiator and it was suggested that a plaque be used to commemorate the event. It was suggested that Freshwater Parish Council could be asked to consider this with a copy of the request being sent to West Wight Landscape Partnership.

Mr B Coates-Evans drew attention to the need to cut the hedge between Yarmouth Cemetery and the land to the East adopted by the Town Trust. The Isle of Wight Council will be asked to deal with this.

Concern was expressed about the ongoing difficulties between the Town Council and The Town Trust. It was reported that this is being addressed.

The Yarmouth Harbour Commission representative asked if any issues relating to the Harbour could be dealt with early in future meetings. It was suggested that the Harbour could be a standing item on the agenda and that regular meetings between Town Council, Town Trust and Harbour Commission representatives would be of benefit to all three parties.

#### **158/09 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 26 May 2009 (Part 1) be taken as read, confirmed and signed as being an accurate record of the proceedings subject subject to the following amendments:

Minute 136/09: Add after "leaflet" "under the project of town maps."

Minute 139/09: Amend "(behind the bench)" to read "(that was behind the bench)."

## 159/09 POLICE MATTERS

PCSO Quinn reported that there had been a spate of thefts from car park ticket machines and also that there had been complaints about dog fouling on the cycle track to Freshwater.

RESOLVED: That the report be received and noted and a price be obtained for the purchase of a dog bin.

## 160/09 FINANCE

Members had before them a schedule showing a cashbook balance of £26,080.18 and a schedule of accounts for payment. It was reported that the insurance quote from AON (Allianz Cornhill) had been accepted as it had come in cheaper than the one from WPS (Norwich Union). In addition £20,000 had been placed on short term deposit in order to achieve a better rate of interest than presently available in the Council's deposit account.

RESOLVED: That the information be received and noted and the following accounts be authorised and paid:

<b>Cheque Number</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
864	Robert Scott	Mayor's Allowance	35.00
865	Holmes Charity	Mayor's Allowance	65.00
866	Isle of Wight Council	Mayor's Salary, April 2009	573.33
867	AON Ltd	Council Insurance 2009/10	776.48
868	British Telecom	Telephone/Internet Bill	129.70
869	St Swithin's Church, Thorley	Room Hire, 26.5.09	<u>25.20</u>
			1604.71

## 161/09 APPOINTMENT OF YARMOUTH TOWN TRUSTEES

RESOLVED: That this item be considered in Part 2.

## 162/09 PLANNING ISSUES

### **Planning Applications**

Members considered one planning application.

RESOLVED: that Yarmouth Town Council has no objection to Planning Application P/00801/09 – TCP/29683 – Alterations to include re-cladding and replacement windows; porch at 20, The Mount, Yarmouth.

### **Planning Decisions**

Members had before them a list of recent planning decisions

RESOLVED: That the information be received and noted.

### **Isle of Wight AONB Management Plan**

Members had before them the Isle of Wight AONB Management Plan.

RESOLVED: That the information be received and noted and the Isle of Wight Council be asked to confirm the management zones for Yarmouth and Thorley.

## **162/09 PLANNING ISSUES (Continued)**

### **Tree Works, Baie House, Bouldnor Road, Yarmouth**

Members were advised of approved tree works at Baie House, Bouldnor Road, Yarmouth.

RESOLVED: that the information be received and noted.

### **Forresters' Hall Licensing Application**

Members were advised that the Forresters' Hall Licensing application had been approved with conditions. Concern was expressed that the Town Council's submission had not been identified as such at the meeting and had merely been included with other comments.

RESOLVED: That the information be noted and the concerns be raised with the Isle of Wight Council.

## **163/09 COMMUNITY PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT**

Members had before them a report of the Yarmouth and Thorley Community Plan Steering Committee which was added to verbally by Councillor Mence. Members noted that a special meeting of the Council will be held on 14 July 2009 to consider the first draft of the Plan. The first public viewing will be at the Town Hall on 25/ 26 July. It was requested that the Council cover the cost of advertising.

RESOLVED: that the report be approved and adopted and the request for the Council to cover the advertising costs be considered at the next meeting.

## **164/09 CORRESPONDENCE**

Members had before them a list of correspondence.

RESOLVED: That the information be received and noted.

## **165/09 THORLEY ISSUES**

Members were reminded that Thorley Church is being adapted for community use. It was confirmed that the need for community facilities in Thorley will be included in the Yarmouth and Thorley Community Plan.

RESOLVED: That the report be received and noted.

## **166/09 YARMOUTH ISSUES**

It was confirmed that the Town Hall would be open on St James Day. Attention was drawn to the grass being overgrown around the "Yarmouth" sign at Bouldnor Road.

RESOLVED: That the information be received and noted and the grass around the "Yarmouth" sign be cut back.

## **167/09 ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

S Dyer CC reported that he was undergoing training which will last well into July and that the Annual Council meeting was to take place the following evening. The Independent councillors had formed themselves into a group for the proportionate allocation of seats. S Dyer CC further reported that he would submit a regular report to the Council electronically.

RESOLVED: that the report be received and noted.

## **168/09 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

The Town Clerk reported on the following matters:

- 1. Ethical Standards Committee** – A letter from the Chair of the Ethical Standards Committee advised that Independent members of the Standards Committee will continue to attend meetings of local councils despite this being against the wishes of the majority of responses from local councils and IWALC.
- 2. Old Gaffers' Festival** – A letter had been received complaining about delays to the ferries on the Saturday of Gaffers' weekend. A reply had been sent advising that this was an issue around the new ferries rather than the Gaffers' Festival.
- 3. IWALC AGM** – This will take place on Friday 19 June at County Hall at 7pm.
- 4. Course for Charity Trustees**- This will take place at the Riverside Centre on Thursday 25 June from 6 – 8.30pm.
- 5. Landscape Heritage Grants** – A meeting will take place at Freshwater Memorial Hall on Monday 22 June from 7 – 8.30pm
- 6. Shalfleet Parish Office** – Two invitations had been received to the official opening on Saturday 28 June 2009.

RESOLVED: that the report be received and noted.

## **169/09 REPORTS ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

It was reported that the Old Gaffers' Festival had been very successful and despite the withdrawal of Isle of Wight Council support the loss had been under £10,000.

RESOLVED: That the report be received and noted.

## **170/09 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

RESOLVED: That the following be agenda items at the next meeting:  
Yarmouth Harbour; Community Plan Advertising Costs.

## **171/09 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED: To note that the next meeting will be a special meeting to receive the Community Plan first draft on 14 June 2009 and the next ordinary meeting will take place on 28 July 2009, both at the Town Hall commencing at 6.30pm.

## **172/09 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

RESOLVED: that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

