

# **DOVER TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the DOVER TOWN COUNCIL held in the Council Offices, Maison Dieu House, Biggin Street, Dover on WEDNESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019 at 6pm.

### **PRESENT**

Town Mayor, Councillor G Cowan in the chair

#### Councillors

E Biggs	J Lamoon
J Bird	C Precious
P Brivio	N Rix
J Garnett	R Sawbridge
D Howden	L Stephenson
T Howell-Bray	G Wanstall
S Jones	C Zosseder

# 126. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence received from Councillors Sancha, Walkden & Collor (Personal Commitments).

### 127. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors present made no declarations of disclosable pecuniary and / or any other interests as required by law.

#### 128. MINUTES

The Town Council received the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 17th July 2019.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 17th July 2019 be approved and signed by the Town Mayor.

### 129. PROGRESS SHEETS

The Town Council noted that there were no outstanding resolutions made by the Town Council.



#### 130. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

The Town Council noted the Town Mayor's list of engagements since the last meeting.

#### 131. PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Town Council considered the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on the 5<sup>th</sup> August & 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019.

RESOLVED:

- a) That minute Nos. 87 to 96 be received;
- b) That minute Nos. 97 to 106 be received.

#### 132. FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

The Town Council considered the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on the 11th September 2019.

RESOLVED:

- a) That minute Nos. 107 to 117 be received;
- b) That staff salaries be increased by 2.9% from April 2019.

### 133. CIVIC & SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

The Town Council considered the minutes of the Civic & Special Projects Committee held on the 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019 (handed out at the meeting).

RESOLVED: That minute Nos. 118 to 125 be received.

#### 134. COUNCILLORS GRANTS

The Town Council noted the out-turn of the 2019/20 Councillor grants award scheme (handed out at the meeting).

## 135. TOWN COUNCIL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Town Council noted the budget out-turn report to the end of August 2019.

The Town Council noted the External Auditor's report and Certificate concerning the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ended 31st March 2019.

The Town Council noted the AGAR for the year ended 31st March 2019 has been published in accordance with statutory requirements.

RESOLVED: That the payments made by the Town Council for July & August 2019 be approved and the schedules signed by the Chairperson.



#### 136. MAISON DIEU HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND

The Town Council received a presentation from representatives of Dover District Council & architects concerning the Lottery Fund Bid for Maison Dieu. After a short question and answer session, the Chairperson thanked the representatives for their interesting and informative presentation and welcomes the progress being made.

#### 137. INSURANCE DECLARATION

The Town Council considered a personal declaration by each member to meet insurance requirements.

RESOLVED: That all elected members must sign the declaration in Appendix 1 and return it to the Town Clerk on or before 27th September 2019.

#### 138. TOWN COUNCIL, COMMITTEE & EXTERNAL BODY REPRESENTATION

The Town Council noted Councillor Walkden's report on the recent activities of the Dover White Cliffs Branch of the Royal British Legion.

The Town Council noted Councillor Precious's update concerning the White Ribbon Campaign (handed out at the meeting).

The Town Council noted Councillor Brivio's update concerning the Dover Fairtrade Network Group (handed out at the meeting).

#### 139. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Town Council noted that no questions from the public pursuant to Standing Orders 1 (d) to (m) inclusive and 3b (v) had been received.

### 140. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The Town Council noted that the date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 20th November 2019.

The meeting ended at 6.59pm

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE TOWN MAYOR (Councillor Gordon Cowan) CHAIRPERSON

Chairperson