



DOVER TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the DOVER TOWN COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Maison Dieu House, Biggin Street, Dover, Kent on WEDNESDAY 23RD MARCH 2022 at 6.00pm.

PRESENT

The Right Worshipful the Town Mayor, Councillor G Cowan in the chair

Councillors

M Aspland	J Lamoon
E Biggs	N Rix
J Bird	T Sancha
P Brivio	R Sawbridge
A Calder	L Stephenson
D Howden	G Wanstall
S Jones	C Zosseder

260. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Town Council noted apologies for absence from Councillor Collor (personal commitment) & Councilor Walkden (ill health).

261. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

262. MINUTES

The Town Council approved the Minutes of the Extraordinary Town Council meeting held on 3rd March 2022.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Town Council meeting held on the 3rd March 2022 be approved and signed by the Town Mayor.

263. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

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

Chairperson


Council was supportive of issuing a press release stating the Town Council's concerns over P&O's sacking 800 seafarers last week.

The Council joined in condemning the Russian invasion of Ukraine and pledged the Town Council's support to all those affected.

264. PROGRESS SHEETS

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

265. PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Town Council considered the minutes of the Planning Committee held on the 14th March 2022 (handed out at the meeting).

RESOLVED: That Planning Committee Minute Nos. 248 to 256 be accepted as a true record.

266. COUNCILLOR GRANTS

The Town Council noted the out-turn of the 2021/22 Councillors' grants award scheme (handed out at the meeting).

267. TOWN COUNCIL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

267a) The Town Council approved the schedule of payments made by the Town Council for January and February 2022.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council approved the schedules of payments made for January and February 2022 and were signed by the Chairperson.

267b) The Town Council approved the Town Council budget out-turn report to the end of February 2022.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council approved the budget out-turn report to the end of February 2022.

268. HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

The Town Council considered the RFO's report of 4th February 2022 concerning Health & Safety Policy.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council adopt the revised Health & Safety Policy.

269. SECTION 151 OFFICER

The Town Council considered the Chairperson's report of 10th February 2022 concerning the Section 151 Officer.

The Town Council gave a vote of thanks to the s151 Officer for 25 years' service and presented her with a gift.

RESOLVED: That the Town Clerk be appointed Responsible Financial Officer from 1st May 2022.

Chairperson


270. TOWN COUNCIL SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR 2022/23 MUNICIPAL YEAR

The Town Council considered the Draft Schedule of meetings for the 2022/23 Municipal year.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council Schedule of meetings for the 2022/23 Municipal Year is adopted.

271. TOWN MAYOR ELECT & DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR ELECT FOR 2022/23 MUNICIPAL YEAR

The Town Council considered nominations for Town Mayor Elect and Deputy Town Mayor Elect for the 2022/23 Municipal Year to take office on 19th May 2022.

Councillor Lamoon proposed and Councillor Rix seconded a nomination for Councillor Chris Precious to be appointed Mayor Elect for the 2022/23 Municipal Year.

Councillor Brivio proposed and Councillor Bird seconded a nomination for Councillor Gordon Cowan to be appointed Mayor Elect for the 2022/23 Municipal Year.

Councillor Stephenson proposed and Councillor Zosseder seconded a nomination for Councillor Dominic Howden to be appointed Deputy Mayor Elect for the 2022/23 Municipal Year.

Councillor Lamoon proposed and Councillor Sancha seconded a nomination for Councillor Rix to be appointed Deputy Mayor Elect for the 2022/23 Municipal Year.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Gordon Cowan be appointed Mayor of Dover and Councillor Dominic Howden be appointed Deputy Town Mayor for the 2022/23 Municipal Year to take office on the 19th May 2022.

272. TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP & EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

272a) The Town Council noted that Councillor Brivio has left the Finance & General Purposes Committee and that Councillor Sancha wishes to be removed from all Committees.

272b) The Town Council noted Councillor Walkden's report of 4th March 2022 concerning the Royal British Legion Dover Branch.

272c) The Town Council noted Councillor Brivio's report of 15th March 2022 concerning recent meetings of the Dover Fairtrade Network Group, RV Coleman Trust, White Cliffs Community Rail Partnership and the Joint Transportation Board.

272d) The Town Council noted an update on Dover District Council from Dover's DDC Councillors (handed out at the meeting).

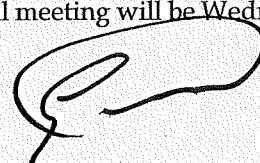
272e) The Town Council noted that no update on Kent County Council from Dover's KCC Councillors had been received.


273. 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.

274. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Town Council noted that the date of the next Town Council meeting will be Wednesday 19th May 2022.



Chairperson


The meeting finished at 6.41pm

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

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