

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 19TH JANUARY 2022 at 6pm.

PRESENT

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

Councillors

E Biggs	C Precious
J Bird	N Rix
P Brivio	R Sawbridge
A Calder	L Stephenson
D Howden	R Walkden
S Jones	G Wanstall
J Lamoon	C Zosseder

188. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Town Council noted apologies for absence from Councillors Aspland & Collor (ill health).

189. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

190. MINUTES

The Town Council approved the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 10th November 2021.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 10th November 2021 be approved and signed by the Town Mayor.

191. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

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

192. PROGRESS SHEETS

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

Chairperson

193. <u>CIVIC & SPECIAL PROJECTS</u>

The Town Council considered the minutes of the Civic & Special Projects Committee held on the 18th November 2021.

RESOLVED:

That Civic & Special Projects Committee Minute Nos. 152 to 160 be accepted as a true record.

194. <u>COMMUNITY & SERVICES</u>

The Town Council considered the minutes of the Community & Services Committee held on the 23rd November 2021.

RESOLVED:

That Community & Services Committee minute Nos. 161 to 169 be accepted as a true record.

195. PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Town Council considered the minutes of the Planning Committee held on the 29th November 2021.

The Town Council noted that the Planning Meeting scheduled for the 10th January 2022 was cancelled,

RESOLVED: That Planning Committee Minute Nos. 170 to 178 be accepted as a true record.

196. FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

The Town Council considered the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on the 1st December 2021.

RESOLVED:

That Finance & General Purposes Committee Minute Nos. 179 to 187 be accepted as a true record.

197. COUNCILLOR WARD GRANTS

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

198. TOWN COUNCIL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

198a) The Town Council approved the schedules of payments made by the Town Council for ai) November and aii) December 2021.

RESOLVED:

That the Town Council approved the schedules of payments made for November and December 2021 and were signed by the Chairperson.

198b) The Town Council considered the Town Council budget out-turn report to the end of December 2021.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council approved the budget out-turn report to the end of December 2021.

Chairperson

199. TOWN COUNCIL 202/23 BUDGET

The Town Council considered the Town Mayor & Chairperson of the F&GP Committee's report of 10th January 2022 concerning the Town Council's budget and precept for the 2022/23 financial year.

RESOLVED:

- a) That the Town Council adopt the budget having taken note of all relevant factors including the proposed level of balances, expenditure and income trends and projections, the capital programme, transfers to/from reserves and contingencies and to delegate to the Proper Officer in consultation with the Mayor and the Chair of the Committee the authority to transfer such amounts as are necessary to/from an earmarked reserve with appropriate adjustment to the relevant budget.
- b) That the Town Council set a precept of £856,250 calculated at a 2% rise in the Dover Town Council Band D tax base for 2022/23.

200. TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP & EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION

The Town Council noted Councillor Walkden's report of 11th January 2022 concerning the Royal British Legion Dover Branch.

The Town Council noted Councillor Brivio's report of 18th January 2022, concerning meetings of the Dover Fairtrade Network Group, RV Coleman Trust, White Cliffs Community Rail Partnership and the Joint Transportation Board (handed out at the meeting).

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

The Town Council noted that an update on Kent County Council from Dover's KCC Councillors had not been received.

201. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

202. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Town Council noted that the date of the next Town Council meeting will be Wednesday 23rd March 2022.

The meeting finished at 6.35pm

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

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