

## FERNDOWN TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Full Council Meeting** of Ferndown Town Council held on Monday 8 June 2020 at 7.00pm via Microsoft TEAMS.

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### ATTENDANCE LIST

Mayor: Cllr Mrs J Robinson

Cllr J L Baxter	Cllr T J Cordery	Cllr S Fleetham
Cllr P Hanson Graham	Cllr Mrs C A Lugg	Cllr A J Miller
Cllr M Parkes	Cllr Ms K Stamp	Cllr A Willis
Cllr L R Wilson	Cllr F W Worth	

Officers: Mrs Tina Dudley – Acting Town Clerk.

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### 016 Mayoral Arrangements 2020/21

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Baxter and -

**Resolved** that the election of Mayor 2020/21 be postponed until the Annual Council meeting May 2021. Councillor Mrs J Robinson remain Mayor until the Annual Council meeting in May 2021.

Voting - Unanimous

### 017 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Stickley due to work commitments.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Wilson, SECONDED by Cllr Miller and -

**Resolved** that the apologies for absence be accepted.

### 018 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest for this meeting.

### 019 Public Participation

No members of the public attended this meeting or submitted written representation.

### 020 Minutes

- a) The minutes of Full Council meeting held on 27 January 2020 and
- b) 13 February 2020 were considered.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Hanson Graham, SECONDED by Cllr Miss Stamp and -

**Resolved** to accept the minutes of Full Council held on 27 January 2020 and the Extraordinary Council meeting on 13 February 2020 as a true record.

Voting - Item 5a) unanimous  
- Item 5b) 10 for, 2 abstentions.

## **021 Scheme of Delegation**

Members noted and ratified the decisions made by delegated authority and by the use of remote meeting via Microsoft TEAMS following the 'lockdown' due to the COVID19 Pandemic and the consequential prohibition of meeting in public.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Stamp SECONDED by Cllr Parkes and

**Resolved** that decisions made to date using the Scheme of Delegation and Microsoft TEAMS be ratified.

Voting - Unanimous

## **022 Reports from Dorset Councillors**

Councillor Parkes informed the Council that £15 million pound had been made available from central government for the transforming cities fund in the Ferndown area. He further informed Council that Dorset Council not unlike other local authorities were experiencing large budgetary deficits due to the COVID19 Pandemic.

It was confirmed that the transforming cities fund would be to primarily fund cycleways in the area.

A member raised the issue of overgrown hedges and verges within the town; Members were informed that it was usually the case that 4 members of the Dorset Council highways maintenance team would have been deployed to undertake this work however, 2 of the highways maintenance team had been redeployed during the current crisis they were now back to the maintenance work.

## **023 Committee Minutes**

- a) The minutes of the Planning Consultative Committee 28 January 2020 were received and noted.
- b) The minutes of the Recreation Leisure and Amenities Committee 3 February 2020 were received and noted.
- c) The minutes of the Barrington Centre Management Committee 6 February 2020 were received and noted.
- d) The minutes of the Planning Consultative Committee 18 February 2020 were received and noted.
- e) The minutes of the Natural Environment Committee 24 February 2020 were received and noted.
- f) The minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee 2 March 2020 were received and noted.
- g) The minutes of the Barrington Centre Management Committee 9 March 2020 were

received and noted.

h) The minutes of the Planning Consultative Committee 10 March 2020 were received and noted.

The Recommendation of the Finance and General Purposes Committee to increase membership of the Planning Consultative Committee and the KGV Management Committee to seven members of the Council was approved. Members agreed that the increase in membership of those committees would be implemented in September when the membership of the committees were reviewed.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Parkes and SECONDED by Cllr Worth and:

**Resolved** that the membership of the Planning Consultative Committee and the KGV Management Committee be increased to 7 members of the Council effective from September 2020.

Voting - unanimous

#### **024 Barrington Centre Management Committee Member**

Members noted the vacancy on the Barrington Centre Management Committee, it was agreed that the seventh member of the Committee would be appointed in September at the next meeting of the Council.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Stamp SECONDED by Cllr Wilson and:

**Resolved** that the vacancy on the Barrington Centre Management Committee be filled in September 2020 at the next Council meeting.

#### **025 Internal Audit Report**

The Internal Audit report was noted.

#### **026 Annual Governance Statement – Annual Accounting Statement**

**Resolved** that the Annual Governance Statement and the Annual Accounting Statement be received and approved by Council. The Mayor and Acting Town Clerk to sign the Annual Governance Statement at the offices of the Council on 10 June 2020.

#### **027 Period of Exercise of Public Rights**

Members noted the exercise of public rights. Following a question from a Member, Council was informed that the exercise of public rights would be applicable from 15 June 2020 to 24 July 2020 a period of 30 clear days.

An explanation of how social distancing would be implemented should a member of the public exercise the right of inspection was provided.

## **028 Appointment of Town Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer**

The Council was informed that Louise Harrison had been appointed Town Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer to the Council and was expected to commence employment on 1 August 2020.

## **029 Date of Next Meeting**

Members agreed that the next meeting of the Full Council would be in September 2020.

The meeting closed at 7.52pm

Chairman