

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF FAVERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL** held at  
The Guildhall, Faversham, on Monday 13 May 2019

**Present:**

The Mayor, T Abram	Cllr K Barker	Cllr C Belsom
Mayor Elect, Cllr A Reynolds	Cllr A Hook	Cllr J Irwin
Deputy Mayor Elect, Cllr S Blair	Cllr C Jackson	Cllr D Knights
Cllr B J Martin	Cllr T Martin	Cllr H Perkin
Cllr J Saunders	Cllr E Thomas	

**In attendance:** Louise Bareham, Town Clerk

Questions from Members of the public are recorded as an annex to the minutes.

**001. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None

**002. ELECTION OF A MAYOR**

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr Jackson and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED that Cllr Alison Reynold be duly elected as Mayor of Faversham for the Civic Year 2019 to 2020***

*7.40pm Mr Abram left the meeting*

**003. ELECTION OF A DEPUTY MAYOR**

It was proposed by Cllr Irwin, seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED that Cllr Sam Blair be duly elected as Deputy Mayor of Faversham for the Civic Year 2019 to 2020***

**004. OUTSTANDING DECLARATIONS OF OFFICE**

None

**005. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr A Hook	NDPI	Minute 636	Plastic Free Faversham
Cllr C Williams	NDPI	Minute 636	Plastic Free Faversham

**006. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

It was proposed by Cllr Perkin, seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of Faversham Town Council held 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019.**

**007. GENERAL POWER OF COMPETANCE**

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED that Faversham Town Council, having met the conditions of eligibility as defined in the Localism Act 2011 and SI 965 The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012, adopts the General Power of Competence until the next relevant Annual Meeting of the Town Council**

**008. TERMS OF REFERENCE**

It was proposed by Cllr Irwin, seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to defer the review of Terms of Reference to each Committee**

**009. APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES**

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to rename Public Realm Group the Public Spaces Committee**

It was proposed by Cllr B J Martin, seconded by Cllr Hook and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to amend the name of 20's Plenty Working Group to Task and Finish Group**

It was proposed by Cllr Perkin, seconded by Cllr B J Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to set up a Climate and Biodiversity Emergency Task and Finish Group**

The following Members were appointed to Committees

COMMITTEE	MEMBERS (2019/20)
PUBLIC SPACES COMMITTEE	Councillors H Perkin, C Williams, J Irwin, E Thomas, K Barker, J Saunders
HERITAGE COMMITTEE	Councillors C Belsom, T Martin, J

	Saunders, J Irwin, S Blair
<b>STAFFING COMMITTEE</b>	Councillors A Reynolds, A Hook, S Blair, K Barker, T Martin, C Jackson, B J Martin, D Knights
<b>PLANNING COMMITTEE</b>	All Councillors (except Cllrs B J Martin and C Jackson)
<b>POLICY &amp; FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>	Councillors J Saunders, T Martin, K Barker, C Belsom, A Hook, D Knights, E Thomas
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE</b>	Councillors A Reynolds, D Knights, H Perkin, C Williams, S Blair, J Irwin, C Belsom, C Jackson
<b>COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE</b>	Councillors C Jackson, B J Martin, S Blair, H Perkin, A Reynolds
<b>20's PLENTY TASK &amp; FINISH</b>	Councillors E Thomas, C Jackson
<b>CLIMATE &amp; BIODIVERSITY EMERGENCY TASK &amp; FINISH</b>	Councillors H Perkins, C Williams, K Barker, T Martin, J Saunders, E Thomas, B J Martin, S Blair, A Hook

#### **010. REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

The following Members were appointed as representatives

<b>OUTSIDE BODY</b>	<b>REPRESENTATIVES (2019/20)</b>
<b>AGE UK COMMITTEE</b>	Cllr C Jackson
<b>ALEXANDER CENTRE TRUST</b>	Cllrs J Saunders, B J Martin
<b>CINQUE PORTS STANDING COMMITTEE</b>	The Mayor, Cllr A Reynolds

<b>CITIZENS ADVICE SWALE</b>	Cllrs C Jackson, K Barker
<b>CREEK BRIDGE STEERING GROUP</b>	Cllrs A Hook (KCC), H Perkin
<b>DEMENTIA ACTION ALLIANCE</b>	Cllr A Reynolds
<b>VISIT FAVERSHAM</b>	Cllrs D Knights, S Blair, T Martin
<b>FAVERSHAM IN BLOOM</b>	Cllr C Williams
<b>FAVERSHAM SWIMMING POOL MANAGEMENT</b>	Cllrs J Saunders, B J Martin
<b>KALC SWALE AREA COMMITTEE</b>	Cllr J Irwin
<b>SWALE EMERGENCY CONTACTS</b>	The Mayor and Deputy Mayor
<b>SWALE NATURE RESERVES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</b>	Cllr C Williams
<b>WEST FAVERSHAM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION</b>	Cllrs A Reynolds, K Barker
<b>GREEN GRID PARTNERSHIP</b>	Cllr C Williams, H Perkin
<b>TOWN TWINNING GROUP</b>	Cllr T Martin
<b>FAVERSHAM COMMUNITY NETWORK</b>	Cllr S Blair
<b>FAVERSHAM HEALTH MATTERS</b>	Cllr H Perkin
<b>PLASTIC FREE FAVERSHAM</b>	Cllrs A Hook, C Williams
<b>OARE GUNPOWDER WORKS</b>	Cllrs K Barker, C Williams, S Blair
<b>FAVERSHAM HERITAGE HARBOUR</b>	Cllrs C Belsom, S Blair, J Irwin

**011. BANK SIGNATORIES**

It was proposed by the Mayor and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to appoint the following Members as signatories to**

***Lloyds and NatWest Accounts – Cllrs Reynolds, Barker, T Martin, Jackson, Thomas, B J Martin, Blair, Hook***

**012. STANDING ORDERS**

It was proposed by the Mayor and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to adopt the Standing Orders***

**013. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr J Saunders and on being put to the meeting to it was ***RESOLVED to adopt the Financial Regulations***

**014. INSURANCE**

It was proposed by Cllr B J Martin, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED that Faversham Town Council confirms arrangements for insurance cover in respect of all insurable risks is in place for the Civic Year 2019 to 2020.***

**015. SUMMONS TO MEETINGS**

It was proposed by Cllr Barker, seconded by Cllr Hook and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED that Faversham Town Council Members consent for the summons to meetings to be transmitted in electronic form to a designated town council electronic address.***

**016. MEETING DATES**

It was proposed by the Mayor and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED that Planning Committee should remain at 6pm, but other committees to start at 7pm and all meeting dates be agreed by each Committee***

**017. PLASTIC FREE FAVERSHAM**

It was agreed to defer this request to the Community Services Committee

**018. WEST STREET WEIGHT RESTRICTION REQUEST**

It was agreed to defer this to the Public Spaces Committee with a view to writing to Cllr Mike Whiting at KCC.

**019. FRONT BRENTS JETTY**

The request from the Heritage Harbour Trust to survey the jetty was deferred for a decision by the Policy & Finance Committee.

**020. KALC SAC MEETING**

The agenda was noted. Cllr Irwin confirmed his attendance to the meeting.

**021. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to agree the payments***

## **ANNEX**

Mrs Shiel Campbell welcomed new councilors and offered any assistance. She noted a vote of thanks to outgoing councilors who had lost their seats. With reference to Minutes 623 she suggested 'pending S106 becoming available' and more 'closely'.

Mr Findlay Macdonald noted that he had been asking for electric car charging points for many years and had asked the Town Council to look into it but had never received a response. He did not want to see charging points in Tesco, but in Central Car Park. He asked if a letter was sent to the Mayor whether it would be made public.

Cllr Hook agreed the need for electric charging points not just in car parks but on the streets. Other towns had lamppost charging points.

Mr Nigel Kay noted that now the campaigning was over the information on 12 Market Place from the Faversham Eye had been misleading. He asked people to consider the effects on inflation which were staggering. He also noted that other councils had a town hall with museums etc. The aim was to increase visitor numbers.

Mr Harold Goodwin asked for reassurance that the Town Council had a firm position on Cleve Hill. He noted that the council needed to register to speak by Thursday.

Cllr Hook confirmed this would be done.

Mr Brian Pain said the Faversham Eye would like to feature a regular column with questions from councilors.

Cllr Perkin confirmed that the new council intended to increase transparency over the next four years and be available as much as possible and the proposition would be discussed.