

Minutes of the Meeting of Faversham Town Council

Monday 1st February 2021, 7pm

Present:

Mayor of Faversham, Cllr A Reynolds	Cllr J Saunders	Cllr J Irwin
Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin	Cllr A Hook	Cllr K Barker
Cllr B J Martin	Cllr C Williams	Cllr H Perkin
Cllr C Jackson	Cllr C Jackson	

In Attendance:

L Bareham (Town Clerk)

324.	Apologies for Absence None
325.	Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests None
326.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising Cllr Saunders noted Agenda Item 321 should read 'end support for selection education and acadimisation' It was were proposed by Cllr B J Martin, seconded by Cllr Barker, and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to approve the Minutes dated 4th January2020 with in the noted amendment.
327.	Mayor's Announcements The Mayor's Announcements were noted.
328.	Policy and Finance Committee It was proposed by Cllr Barker, seconded by Cllr Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to approve the grants to Abbey Physic Community Garden and Autumn Fest It was noted that Cllr Hook has put forward a funding application to Kent County Council, to hire a researcher to investigate crime prevention in Faversham. It was agreed to hold an additional meeting of the full council on Monday 8th March 2021 to discuss the local plan. It was also noted that FTC will contact SBC to invite a local plan representative to the meeting.

	<p>It was proposed by Cllr Barker seconded by Cllr Martin and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to accept the Policy and Finance Minutes dated 25th January 2021.</p>
329.	<p>Climate and Biodiversity Committee Cllr Williams provided an update on the Climate and Biodiversity Committees projects and their progression.</p> <p>It was agreed as part of the pesticide action plan to write to the local MP to express the concerns about the usage of unapproved pesticides that are potentially being used on local farmland.</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr Williams seconded by Cllr Perkin and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to accept the Climate and Biodiversity Committee Minutes dated 26th January 2021.</p>
330.	<p>Public Spaces Committee Cllr Thomas provided an update on the Public Spaces Committees projects.</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr Thomas seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to accept the Public Spaces Committee Minutes dated 28th January 2021.</p>
331.	<p>Faversham Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Cllr Irwin provided an update on the group's progression on collating information for the Faversham Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>It was agreed for the Faversham Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group to move forward with their plans and to accept their new agreement with Urban Vision.</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr Irwin seconded by Mayor of Faversham, Cllr Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to accept the Faversham Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Minutes dated 21th January 2021.</p>
332.	<p>Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan It was proposed by Cllr Saunders seconded by Cllr Thomas and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to accept the motion of the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan and for the plan to be organised through the 20's plenty committee.</p>

<p>333.</p>	<p>Municipal Charities</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr Saunders seconded by Cllr Irwin and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to go back to the Municipal Charities of Faversham to correct their error for Mr Gates.</p> <p>It was proposed by Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin seconded by Mayor of Faversham, Cllr Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to appoint Cllr Barker as Trustee of the Municipal Charities of Faversham CIO with effect from 13 January 2021 for four years.</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr Saunders seconded by Mayor of Faversham, Cllr Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED not to reappoint of Mr Abram, and will consider a replacement at the meeting on 1st March.</p>
<p>334.</p>	<p>Dyslexia</p> <p>Cllr B J Martin provided information and collective data on Dyslexia. It was agreed to accept Cllr B J Martin's motion of signing the 'Made by Dyslexia' pledge, supporting national dyslexia week, and contact local schools.</p>
<p>335.</p>	<p>Faversham Town Council Spring Newsletter</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr Reynolds seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to accept the newsletter subject to amendments</p>
<p>336.</p>	<p>Annual Meeting of the Town</p> <p>Tuesday 9th March 2021 has been noted down for the Annual Meeting of the Town.</p>
<p>337.</p>	<p>Open Letter to KCC</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr Irwin seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to accept the proposal of adding the Town Council's name to the open letter by Oare Parish Council to Kent County Council about enforcement at East Kent Recycling.</p>
<p>338.</p>	<p>Receipts and Payments</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr Barker seconded by Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was RESOLVED to accept the receipts and payments.</p>

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PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Mr Oswald-Jones asked if there was a further update on the damage and security of the St Nicholas Allotment fencing that was raised at a full council meeting on the 7th of September 2020.

It was noted by the Town Clerk that the Facilities Manager has arranged for the waste and 2 fence panels to be removed from the allotment site. After the removal, the fencing will then be reinstated and repaired.

Mr. Oswald- Jones asked if there was any progress towards the planning application for the St Nicholas Allotment fencing.

Due to disconnection, the Town Clerk will provide the member of the public with an update on the progress via email.

Mr. Jefferys asked if the Town Council would to write to local MP Helen Whately regarding the 'Traffic Management Act 2004' in response to COVID-19 and the cycle infrastructure.

Mr. Jefferys also asked if the Town Council could investigate the idea of improving the cycle path that leads from Abbey fields to Magnum.

It was noted by Cllr Saunders that he believes it would be a good idea to write to MP Helen Whately, to establish her views on the 'Cycle Way' as well as inform her about the improvements the Town Council have been making, to improve cycling and walking provision, which the government were also trying to improve.

Cllr Saunders will work with the Town Clerk to prepare a letter.