

## Minutes of the Meeting of Faversham Town Council

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020, 7pm

### **Present:**

Mayor of Faversham, Cllr A Reynolds	Cllr A Hook	Cllr C Jackson
Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin	Cllr C Williams	Cllr B J Martin
Cllr K Barker	Cllr J Irwin	Cllr E Thomas

### **In Attendance:**

L Bareham (Town Clerk)

#### **294. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Perkin, Cllrs Saunders, Thomas and Hook had advised they would be late due to attending Swale JTB. It was proposed by the Mayor, Cllr Reynolds, seconded by the Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the apologies from Cllrs Perkin, Saunders, Thomas and Hook**

#### **295. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

Declarations were as noted on the Policy and Finance Minutes 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

#### **296. Previous Minutes and Matters to Report**

The Minutes of the Meeting dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020 was proposed by Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Barker, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to approve the Minutes dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020.**

#### **297. Mayor's Announcements**

The Mayor's announcements were noted.

#### **298. Annual Governance & Accountability Return**

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to note the Annual Governance & Accountability Return.**

*Cllr Thomas joined the meeting*

#### **299. 20's Plenty Committee**

It was proposed by Cllr Thomas, seconded by Cllr Jackson, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of 20's Plenty Committee dated 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**

*Cllr Hook joined the meeting*

300. **Climate and Biodiversity**

It was proposed by Cllr Williams, seconded by the Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Climate and Biodiversity Committee dated 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**

It was proposed by Cllr Williams, seconded by Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED the Climate and Biodiversity Committee be responsible for Allotments.**

*Cllr Saunders joined the meeting*

301. **Policy and Finance Committee**

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 Policy and Finance Committee recommendations for the payment of grants.**

	Requested	Awarded
<b>Animate Arts CIC</b>	£497	£497
<b>Assembly Rooms Faversham</b>	£1,750	£1,750
<b>Creed Outdoor Learning Trust</b>	£1,680	£1,680
<b>Cinque Ports Rowing CIC</b>	£3,000	£3,000
<b>FACE</b>	£5,000	£5,000
<b>Faversham Pools</b>	£5,000	£5,000
<b>Faversham Umbrella</b>	£5,000	£5,000
<b>Find Your Voice</b>	£5,000	£0
<b>WFCA Foodbank</b>	£800	£0
<b>WFCA Youth Drop In</b>	£3,236	£3,236
<b>Millfield Allotment Association</b>	£4,998	£4,998
<b>Faversham Carnival Club</b>	£3000	£3,000

It was proposed by Cllr K Barker seconded by Cllr C Williams, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the minimal support and maintenance package for the Faversham Town Council Website.**

It was proposed by Cllr Barker, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee dated 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020**

302. **Youth Working Group**

It was proposed by Cllr Irwin seconded by Cllr B J Martin. and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Youth Working Group dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**

It was proposed by Cllr Irwin, seconded by Cllr B J Martin, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to agree the grant payments to WFCA and Creed from the youth budget subject to clarification of the use of the funds**

303. **Heritage Working Group**  
It was proposed by Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin, seconded by Mayor of Faversham, Cllr A Reynolds, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the Heritage Working Group recommendations of the Loan Agreement with Shephard Neame.**
304. **Public Spaces Committee**  
It was proposed by Cllr Thomas seconded by Cllr Williams and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Youth Working Group dated 26<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**
305. **Faversham Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group**  
It was proposed by Cllr Irwin, seconded by Cllr Barker, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept Faversham Neighbourhood Plan recommendations of conducting a call for sites.**
306. **Town Jetty**  
It was proposed by Cllr Barker seconded by Mayor of Faversham, Cllr Reynolds, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to work with the Town Clerk to investigate the item in further detail and to the carry the decision over to the next Policy and Finance Committee Meeting.**
307. **Community Governance Review**  
It was proposed by Cllr Irwin seconded by Cllr B J Martin, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to request that Swale Borough Council conducts a Community Governance Review of the Parish Boundaries of the Town and Port of Faversham. It is clear that as Faversham develops in line with the proposed Swale Local Plan the current boundaries must be changed if they are to continue to reflect Faversham's identity and facilitate effective and convenient local government. Failure to address the developing anomalies in the current Faversham Parish Boundary through a Community Governance Review will lead to a situation whereby new members of our community will be unrepresented in and will not contribute to, the Parish Council of the community they identify with, participate in and receive services from.**
308. **Faversham Lakes**  
It was proposed by Cllr Williams seconded by Mayor of Faversham, Cllr Reynolds, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to write a letter of support to Anderson and the Woodland Trust.**
309. **Cleve Hill Cycle Path**  
It was proposed by Cllr Saunders seconded by Cllr Williams, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to become an official supporter of the campaign for a Solar Cycleway and to write to the developer of the Cleve Hill Solar Farm asking that they address any issues that might prevent a cycleway being developed and make a firm commitment to working with partners to build and fund an off road cycleway between Faversham and Seasalter.**

(2) Abstained

310. **Receipts and Payments**

It was proposed by Deputy Mayor, Cllr T Martin seconded by Cllr Barker, and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to accept the payments.***

311. **Private Session**

It was proposed by Cllr Barker, seconded by the Mayor, Cllr Reynolds, and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the commercially sensitive nature of the business to be transacted.***

312. **Faversham Creek Bridge**

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr B J Martin ***RESOLVED to set up a small working group with powers to spend up to £10,000 on legal advice***

313. **KALC Community Award**

It was proposed by the Mayor, Cllr Reynolds, seconded by Cllr B J Martin and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to adopt the KALC Community Award Scheme for 2021 and a nomination was agreed***

The meeting closed at 9.10pm  
Minutes typed by B Williams