

Minutes of the Meeting of Faversham Town Council
6th December 2021, 7pm
The Guildhall, Faversham

Present:

Cllr Reynolds	Cllr T Martin	Cllr Williams	Cllr Jackson
Cllr Perkin	Cllr Henderson	Cllr Thomas	Cllr B J Martin
Cllr Barker	Cllr Rowlands	Cllr Saunders	Cllr Irwin
Cllr Hook			

In Attendance:

Louise Bareham (Town Clerk)

488. Apologies for Absence

Apologies, with reasons, were received from Cllr Cavanagh and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to accept the apologies from Cllr Cavanagh.***

Apologies for lateness, due to attending the Swale JTB Meeting were noted from Cllrs Saunders and Thomas

489. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None.

490. Faversham Town Council

Cllr Irwin proposed, seconded by Cllr Perkin and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to write to Helen Whatley MP and Michael Gove, Minister for Levelling Up, regarding housing figures in Faversham; the letter to be circulated by email for agreement.***

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr T Martin, and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Meetings dated 1st of November 2021 and 22nd November 2021.***

491. Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor's Announcements were noted.

492. Youth Working Group

Cllr Rowlands summarised the planned upcoming events.

After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr B Martin, and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to investigate further the prospect of the Children's Society carrying out research in Faversham free of charge.***

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr B J Martin, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of the Youth Working Group dated 9th November 2021.**

493. Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Cllr Irwin updated the meeting on the draft plan that was submitted to Swale Borough Council following agreement in the previous meeting.

Three recommendations were made:

- A 'Critical Road Junctions' list is used to allow identification and monitoring of the town's key junctions in the event of any building or roadworks that could impact them.
- The Breakthrough Communications company are used to support the promotion of the NHP. Various methods were suggested, such as leafleting or posters.
- A letter is sent to leaders of Canterbury City Council and Kent County Council regarding concerns for the Brenley Corner roundabout.

It was proposed by Cllr Irwin, seconded by Cllr Barker, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept all three recommendations.**

It was proposed by Cllr Irwin, seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group dated 15th of November 2021.**

Cllr Thomas joined the meeting at 19.25

494. Public Spaces Working Group

Cllr Thomas summarised updates from the working group to the meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr Thomas, seconded by Cllr Barker, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of the Public Spaces Working Group dated 25th of November 2021.**

495. Policy and Resources Committee

It was noted that the Heritage Working Group Minutes were approved during the previous meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr Barker, seconded by Cllr T Martin, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee dated 29th November 2021.**

496. 20's Plenty Working Group

Cllr Thomas provided an update to the meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr Thomas, seconded by Cllr Williams, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of the 20's Plenty Working Group dated 1st December 2021.**

497. Jubilee Centre

It was proposed by Cllr Henderson, seconded by Cllr B J Martin, and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to write to the Faversham Gym Club to offer to assist them in appointing willing Councillors to become new trustees of the Centre.**

498. Assets of Community Value

The Town Clerk explained assets of community value. Various potential community assets were suggested to be added to the Community Assets Register.

Community assets that were proposed to be added to the list include: Abbey Physic Community Garden, Faversham Boxing Club, ex-Salvation Army building, Assembly Rooms, Alexander Centre, West Faversham Community Centre, Jubilee Centre, Fleur de Lis Centre, Cooksditch and Westbrook streams, Stonebridge Pond, the four allotment sites, Faversham Royal Cinema and Creek Creative.

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Rowlands, and on being put to the meeting it was unanimously **RESOLVED to accept the community assets not owned by SBC onto the assets register.**

It was proposed by *Cllr Irwin*, seconded by *Cllr Barker* and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the community assets owned by SBC onto the assets register.**

All Faversham Town Councillors who are also SBC councillors ABSTAINED from voting on this proposal due to their declared interests.

Cllr Saunders joined the meeting at 19.52

499. Receipts and Payments

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

500. Private Session

It was proposed by Cllr Reynolds, seconded by Cllr T Martin 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.

501. Staffing Committee

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED not to appoint either candidate for the role of Youth Worker, but to readvertise and explore other methods.***