Minutes of the Meeting of Faversham Town Council 13th June 2022, 7pm The Guildhall, Faversham

Present:

Cllr T Martin Cllr Jackson Cllr Thomas Cllr Rowlands
Cllr B J Martin Cllr Henderson Cllr Hook Cllr Irwin

Cllr Cavanagh Cllr Williams Cllr Reynolds

In Attendance:

Louise Bareham (Town Clerk)

584. Apologies for Absence

Apologies with reasons were received from Cllrs Perkin, Saunders and Barker and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the apologies from Cllrs Barker, Saunders and Perkin

585. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests None.

586. Minutes of the Town Council

Cllr Jackson noted that she was missed off the attendance list. Cllr B J Martin reported that a response had been received from Stage Coach following the agreed letter from the Mayor, which stated that they had insufficient drivers, X4 had only been a trial and the envisaged passenger numbers had not be reached, lack of support from central government.

Cllr Williams proposed, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the **Minutes** of the **Town Council dated** 16th **May 2022**.

587. Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor's announcements were noted.

588. Annual Governance Statement 2021/22

Cllr Rowlands proposed, seconded by Henderson and on being put to the meeting it was *RESOLVED* to agree the Annual Governance Statement 2021/22

589. Account Statements 2021/22

Cllr Rowlands proposed, seconded by Cllr Henderson and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to agree the **Account Statement 2021/22**

590. Period for the Exercise of Public Rights

Cllr B J Martin proposed, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and on being put to the meeting it was *RESOLVED to approve the period for the exercise of public rights as Monday 20th June to Friday 29th July 2022.*

591. Policy and Resources Committee

Cllr Hook questioned the proposed project template as he didn't understand the aim and thought more clarification was required. The budget had already been set, so wasn't sure how this interacted. Cllr Barker explained it was to breakdown resources such as staff hours, as it is difficult to estimate. Cllr Henderson explained it was not comprehensive but gave an understanding as to what there was to achieve, including what resources – staff / contractor / councillors – like a tick box.

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was *RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of Policy & Resources Committee dated 30th May 2022.*

592. Creek Working Group

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr Henderson and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** that four lifebuoys at approximately £300 (excluding delivery and fitting) be purchased and installed on the jetty.

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to send the draft letter the Faversham Creek **Management Company**.

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr Henderson and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to seek the necessary permissions for grass protection be installed from the gap in the bund to the creek to facilitate the launching of skiffs.

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr Henderson and on being put to the meeting it was *RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Creek Working Group dated 1st June 2022*

593. Community Committee

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr Irwin and on being put to the meeting it was *RESOLVED* to agree the *Minutes of the Community*Committee dated 6th June 2022

594. Environment Committee

Cllr Henderson proposed, seconded by Cllr Jackson and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the **Minutes of the Environment Committee dated** 8th **June 2022.**

595. Closure of NatWest Bank

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 **NatWest Bank regarding the proposed closure of the branch**.

596. Receipt and Payments

It was proposed by Cllr Thomas, seconded by Cllr B J Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to withhold the payment to Clearview for the Stone Street bus shelter.

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the payments list, as amended.

597. Private Session

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr B J 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 sensitive nature of the business to be transacted.*

598. Staffing Committee

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Jackson and on being put to the meeting it was *RESOLVED to appoint Rob Gibbs as Assistant to the Town Clerk*