

Minutes of the Meeting of Faversham Town Council
8th August 2022, 7pm
The Guildhall, Faversham

Present:

Cllr T Martin	Cllr Cavanagh	Cllr Reynolds	Cllr Hook
Cllr B J Martin	Cllr Williams	Cllr Jackson	Cllr Barker
Cllr Saunders			

In Attendance:

Adrienne Begent (Deputy Town Clerk)

612. Apologies for Absence

Apologies with reasons were received from Cllrs Henderson, Irwin, Rowlands and Thomas, on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to accept the apologies from Cllrs Henderson, Irwin and Thomas.*** Cllr. Ben J Martin sent apologies that he would be late to the meeting due to work commitments ***RESOLVED to accept the apology from Cllr B J Martin.***

It was noted that Cllr Perkin was participating via Zoom.

613. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None.

614. Minutes of the Town Council

Cllr T Martin proposed, seconded by Cllr Jackson and on being put to the meeting it was ***RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Town Council dated 11th July 2022.***

Cllr T Martin reported that further discussions had been held with Nat West following the announcement of the closure of the branch in Market Street. For personal cash transactions, the Post Office, could be used. Further clarification was awaited regarding community accounts. Anything stored in the vaults would need to be removed or it would go into storage. There would be the loss of the existing cash machine. Following the previous losses of Barclays and Lloyds it was noted that the existing cash machines were often running low on market days.

615. Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor's announcements were noted.

616. Policy and Resources Committee

Cllr T Martin advised the first batch of letters to new residents to Faversham had been sent out.

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Saunders and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of Policy & Resources Committee dated 18th July 2022.**

617. Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

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 Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group dated 19th July 2022.**

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED that the Town Council jointly commission and publish a Conservation Area Appraisal with the Faversham Society.**

Cllr Barker reported Geoff Wade had recently suffered the bereavement of his wife. It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Hook and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to send formal condolences to the family.**

618. Active Travel Committee

Cllr B J Martin joined the meeting at this point.

It was proposed by Cllr Saunders, seconded by Cllr Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Active Travel Committee dated 21st July 2022.**

619. Lottery Working Group

It was proposed by Cllr Saunders, seconded by Cllr Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED that the Faversham & District Community Lottery Performance Report becomes a monthly standing item on the Community Committee agenda and that a periodic discussion on improving performance takes place.**

It was proposed by Cllr Saunders, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Lottery Working Group dated 19th July 2022.**

620. Heritage and Buildings Working Group

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED that the costume clothing for school children be purchased.**

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED that the volunteers should receive a formal expression of thanks for their excellent efforts.**

Cllr Hook noted that it had been agreed to seek advice from the SBC Conservation Officer before arranging an informal meeting with interested Councillors to discuss the repainting of The Guildhall and the Town Hall.

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Hook and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the Heritage and Buildings Working Group dated 26th July 2022.**

621. Receipts and Payments

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr B J Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to accept the payments list bar the payments listed under Kent HR, which would be discussed under the private session.**

622. 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.**

623. 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 payments listed under Kent HR.**

624. Staffing

It was proposed by Cllr Jackson, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED to appoint Mr Stacey Woolf as Facilities Manager.** Cllr BJ Martin abstained.

The meeting closed at 8pm.