



## EAST COWES TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **Facilities, Projects and Events Committee** held on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021** in the Town Hall, East Cowes to discuss the following matters set out in the agenda.

Present: Cllr Paler (Chair), Cllrs Love, Webster, Packham, Palin, Lake, Reardon C Gale (Assistant Town Clerk), no members of the public were present.

### Public Forum

No members of the public were in attendance.

### FO49/21 Apologies

Cllr Hendry gave his apologies due to attending the IWC Policy & Scrutiny Committee for Children's Services, Education & Skills.

### FO50/21 Declarations of Interest

2.1 Cllr Hendry declared a non-pecuniary interest in writing for item 4 as he is a dog owner. Cllr Reardon declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of the East Cowes Business Association and East Cowes Community Partnership. Cllr Paler declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of the IW Royal Agricultural Society and the IW Society.

2.2 No written requests for dispensations were received.

### FO51/21 Minutes

The Mayor moved a resolution to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 which were agreed.

**Resolved:** Minutes were approved and signed.

### FO52/21 Dog Bins – Cllr Hendry

4.1 The Council considered a written proposal from Cllr Hendry for the installation of 2 additional dog bins. One to be positioned at the Castle Copse entrance on Sylvan Avenue and one at the Hefford Road/Old Road junction near Millfield Avenue which is on a school route. Cllr Love declared a non-pecuniary interest as a resident of Old Road. It was noted that now dog waste can be placed in litter bins it would be useful to have litter bins in these locations as dual purpose. The Council also considered the 3 future provision of bins on Saunders Way. Cllr Love stated further consideration could be given to the bins on Saunders Way once the Road has been adopted. The Council considered that adding signage to the bins stating that the Town Council has paid for the installation and collection would be helpful in advising the public.

4.2 **Resolved:** To obtain full costings from Island Roads for the installation and collection from 2 litter bins in the locations suggested.

### FO53/21 Jubilee/Blitz Sculpture – Cllr Love

5.1 The Council considered a request from Cllr Love to commission a sculpture to commemorate 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Blitz and the Royal Platinum Jubilee. Cllr Love stated that planning permission would not be required for a sculpture under 1.5 meters and that the estimated total cost of the project would be between £3000 to £5,000. Cllrs Love and Webster volunteered to work together on a design that just commemorates the Platinum Jubilee.

Cllr Packham suggested consulting residents. Several locations were suggested for the sculpture: Jubilee Recreation Ground; the Esplanade; or the small area on the corner of Well Road and York Avenue near to the illuminated image of Queen Victoria which currently has a bench, dog bin and litter bin.

5.2 **Resolved:** To set aside £5000 for the project and commission a sculpture to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee. Location to be confirmed.

#### FO54/21 Blitz Commemoration

6.1 The Council considered a request from the Heritage Centre to agree a lead coordinating body for an exhibition to commemorate the Blitz in the Town Hall.

6.2 The Council considered the dispensation of hall hire charges for the Blitz exhibition and events.

6.3 **Resolved:** To agree that East Cowes Community Partnership be the lead coordinating body for the Blitz events with support from the Town Council, and to grant dispensation of the hall hire charges for Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

#### FO55/21 Esplanade Craft Event – Cllr Paler

7.1 Following the recent event at the Show Ground Cllr Paler has been in contact with around 20 craft stalls who would like to hold a craft event on the Esplanade Green near the tennis court. They all have the relevant public liability insurance and will provide gazebos. The Council considered granting a dispensation of hire charges for this free event.

7.2 **Resolved:** To give permission for the Craft event on the Esplanade green and grant a dispensation of the hire charges for the event on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

#### FO56/21 Esplanade Flagpole

8.1 The Council considered replacing the Esplanade Flagpole at a cost of £1555.00. The existing flagpole is unable to be repaired. Cllr Love requested that the Facilities Officer investigate the cost of flags depicting the Town Hall crest for future use.

8.2 **Resolved:** To agree the replacement of the Esplanade flagpole from South Coast Flagpoles at a cost of £1555.00.

#### F57/21 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

A motion that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, that it is in the public interest that the press and public are excluded. (1960 Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act s1 (2)), was duly moved, seconded and agreed.

**Resolved:** To exclude the press and public for the next item.

Contractual matters were considered.

Meeting Closed at 7.15pm

Signed

Dated