

Minutes of a meeting of the **COUNCIL** held in the **ANZAC ROOM**, Meridian Centre, Peacehaven,
Tuesday 25th October 2016 at 7:30pm.

Members

Councillors:	Wayne Botting	Jackie Harrison-Hicks
	Daryll Brindley	Andy Loraine
	Rachael Coles	Ron Maskell
	Jean Farmiloe (Chair)	Dave Neave
	Reg Farmiloe	Amber Robertson
	Brian Gosling (Vice Chair)	Robbie Robertson
	Lynda Hallett	Melvyn Simmons
	Job Harris	Andy Smith
	Ann Harrison	

Present:

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ESCC Cllr's: Ian Buchanan
Phil Howson

In Attendance

Claire Lacey – Town Manager
Sally Landers – Administration Officer

Health & Safety Announcement

Thank you for attending this evening. We are not expecting any emergency evacuations from the building, however in the event of an emergency, please leave the building by the safest route possible and meet on the grassed area on the opposite side of the car park. Do not re-enter the building until you are informed by a member of staff that it is safe to do so. Please also switch your mobile phones to silent and refrain from using during this meeting.

The meeting began with an introduction and presentation from District Commander of Sussex Police - Rob Leet.


The demographic across the country and comparable with other similar towns in the country shows that Peacehaven is a low crime area, with occasional spikes over previous years.

Rob Leet showed figures from across District and County for ASB and explained that a Band D property paying £147 pa per house went to pay for PCSO support.

The PCSOs have reduced and there is an allocation of 12 for the District. The police also provide services which are not limited to road policing, forensics and counter terrorism.

Public questions in writing from Mike Gatti, Resident – Viv Carrick, Resident – Claire Doolan, Coffee Haven

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GENERAL BUSINESS

C143 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Neighbourhood Planning Officer

The new Neighbourhood Planning Officer in the Strategic Policy Team at Lewes District Council, has made contact with the Town Manager of Peacehaven and the Town Clerk in Telscombe. Estelle Maisonnial started as a Strategic Policy Officer and took over from James Garside when he left the Council.

The Promenade

Information has been shared with the Officers that the Council was still paying £50 per annum towards the acquisition of land on The Promenade in 2001. Officers will be investigating this issue further.

Chinese Delegation

On 26th July 2016 the Chair met with a delegation of Chinese representatives from Lincang. They had travelled to Peacehaven via Birmingham, to meet with and discuss future working opportunities with the Council. After a welcome from our previous Mayor, Councillor Robbie Robertson, our current Mayor Jean Farmiloe, Councillor Reg Farmiloe, Town Manager Claire Lacey and Responsible Finance Officer and Deputy Town Clerk John Kocher, who all introduced themselves and their roles. The Director of the Lincang Municipal Peoples Congress Standing Committee (equivalent of their Town Mayor) gave a brief interpreted talk about the way their province is managed, including telling us about the trees which grow black leaf tea, their coffee sugar cane and their macadamia nut plantations and how some of their architecture reflects similar styles of British properties. Their black leaf tea comes from the oldest tea tree in China and is the largest tea plantation in the world, being over 800 square miles. They also currently export over 18 tonnes of coffee a year to Europe and have plans to increase that over the coming years. After a short tour around the Peacehaven Memorial Garden, the tour was taken to the Meridian monument and took great excitement in photographing crossing from the East to the West side of the Meridian Line. They then went to the Big Park for photo opportunities and to look at our beautiful views. The town in Lincang will be in touch over coming months to enquire if Peacehaven would like to continue to a friendship with a view of invitation to China in 2018.

Past Mayor Badge

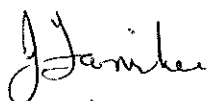
A question was raised at the Council meeting on 19th July with regards to protocol for wearing the Past Mayor Badge. The Past Mayor Badge can be worn:-

- At full Council
- When the Mayor asks for medals to be worn
- At Civic events if agreed by the Mayor
- At formal or social functions within Peacehaven if agreed by the Mayor

Football Club

There was a break in at the Football Club between 21st and 22nd September 2016, paint was stolen and the play area at Centenary Park was vandalised with paint. The cost of the repair will be covered by an insurance claim. We will be discussing the option of CCTV on this agenda.

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Events

We are holding a jazz event on 25th November at 7:30pm in the main hall at Community House, tickets are £15 including a basket meal, there will also be a licensed bar.

Debate:-

None

C144 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Alan Sargent – West Ward

The resident requested a break-down of consultancy costs involved in the production of the New Homes Project Report and any contractual fees incurred due to the cancellation of the project

Response from Andy Smith requested resident write to Lewes District Council

John Livings – North Ward

The resident queried the legal constraints pending the appointment of an RFO (Responsible Finance Officer) and the purchase of a mower from the revenue budget when it should be a capital investment

Resident will receive a written response from Council.

C145 CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. R Coles – noted (holiday)

Cllr. A Robertson – noted (work commitments)

C146 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS

None

C147 TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE NON CONFIDENTIAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF 19th July 2016

Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks proposed

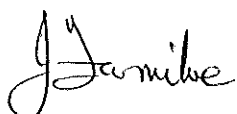
Cllr. J Harris seconded

Approved

Debate:-

None

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C148 TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING NON CONFIDENTIAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Policy & Finance 5th July 2016

Policy & Finance Grants Sub 26th July 2016

Policy & Finance 13th September 2016

The **CHAIR** asked that the Minutes of the above meetings be **ACCEPTED** and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks proposed

Cllr. R Robertson seconded

Majority Accepted

Cllr. A Harrison abstained

Debate:-

Cllr D Neave - page 19/145 questioned whether lease purchase option was investigated with regards to mower

Cllr D Neave - page 20/145 questioned whether it was correct bingo/quiz profit went in to the Mayors Fund

Response Town Manager – C Lacey - would be raised with Internal Auditor on 31/10/16 as well as to confirm with Licensing with regards to bingo income

Planning & Highways 9th August 2016

Planning & Highways 30th August 2016

Planning & Highways 27th September 2016

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Cllr. J Harris proposed

Cllr. R Farmiloe seconded

Accepted

Debate:-

None

Leisure & Amenities Extra Ordinary 16th August 2016

Leisure & Amenities 6th September 2016

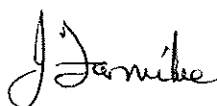
The **VICE CHAIR** asked that the Minutes of the above meetings be **ACCEPTED** and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

Cllr. R Robertson proposed

Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks seconded

Accepted

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Debate:-

Cllr. D Neave - page 72/145 queried cost of bins

Cllr. A Harrison - page 74/145 queried cost of electrical boxes

Town Manager explained that the process is to ratify minutes as a true record and requested Councillors put their questions in writing to Chairs of Committees or to the Office prior to meetings in future.

REPORTS

C149 REPORT FROM EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCILLORS

ESCC Cllr. P Howson

There is collaboration with Sussex Police and hoping to move into police headquarters January/ February. Police Crime Commissionaire is consulting with Councils and the general public in the next few months to take over fire and rescue, we are in favour of her taking a seat on the fire authority. Residents should be made aware of a phone scam and stressed the need to be cautious when receiving phone calls asking for information.

ESCC Cllr. I Buchanan

Nothing to report

C150 REPORT FROM LEWES DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks

From July until now, there was a bit of a lull in meeting due mainly to the school holidays, but have now picked up again.

Since the previous District Full Council meeting I have attended, in Lewes, 3 Licensing, 1 Scrutiny, 3 Planning, a District Conference, another Full Council meeting, and one with officers to discuss both Telscombe and Peacehaven car-parks re the pot-holes and general state of them.

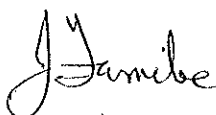
I was invited to a McMillian coffee morning where one of the officers had her head shaved and her sponsorships added to the Charity. The total raised during the morning was £2.222.68.

In the town, I have attended, Policy & Finance, Leisure & Amenities, Planning, SLR, Sub-employment. Visioning for the town and its future meetings. Finally, I have met with the Town Manager and attended local meetings at the House Project.

Cllr. A Smith

Cllr. A Smith provided an update on sharing IT services and resources with Eastbourne Council, which under the Chairmanship of Nigel Enever is working more harmoniously.

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C151 REPORT FROM COUNCILLORS ON ASSOCIATIONS

Cllr. J Harris

Cllr. J Harris attended the AGM of Age UK in Bexhill and reported a positive, healthy financial situation.

C152 WRITTEN RESPONSES TO PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Legality of a Councillor from another political party substituting at Committee meetings & Location of Peacehaven 100 year banner

This question was raised at the Council meeting on 19th July 2016, the following written response was sent to the resident, dated 1st August 2016:-

Please accept my apologies for not sending a response sooner to your query at Council on 31st May 2016 and further on 19th July 2016.

I have been away from the office and only recently been made aware that you requested a written response on 31st May through the Full Council meeting on 19th July.

'Written response with regards to the legality of a Councillor from another political party substituting at Committee Meetings'

I have written to SALC whose response is "It would need to be stated in Standing Orders that a member can substitute on a committee otherwise they cannot".

'Location of the 100 year banner'

The banner celebrating 100 years of Peacehaven Town is removed from its location at The Dell each month in time for advertising the Car Boot sale and is replaced the Monday following. It has been replaced this morning 1st August after the boot fair held on 31st July and will remain on the fencing for approximately 3 weeks.

I hope this answers your queries and please once again accept my apologies for not responding sooner.

Noted

C153 PEACEHAVEN TOWN CITY CARD

Standing Orders were suspended for the Marketing Officer to deliver a presentation and then re-instated

The Council **AGREES** to **DEFER** the decision to join the scheme and create a Peacehaven TownCityCard at a cost of £750 and refer the proposal to the **POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE** for further discussion.

Cllr. R Robertson proposed

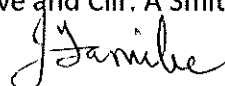
Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks seconded

Agreed

Debate:-

Cllr. D Neave and Cllr. A Smith - liked the idea and would like a copy of participating outlets.

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C154 VOLUNTEER TASKFORCE

The Council **AGREES** to allocate funds to support setting up a voluntary or community group entitled Peacehaven Taskforce at a cost of £600 from Earmarked Reserves

Cllr. R Robertson proposed
Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks seconded

Agreed

C155 MEETING SCHEDULE 2017

The Council **AGREES** the attached timetable of meetings for 2017

Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks proposed
Cllr. R Maskell seconded

Agreed

C156 PTC WIFI

The Council **AGREES** that 'free wifi' **IS NOT** switched off at the Town Council office server at 6pm each evening

Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks proposed
Cllr. R Farmiloe seconded

Majority agreed

C157 CENTENARY PARK CCTV

The Council **AGREES** in principal to:-

- Install CCTV at The Big Park /Centenary Park and Sports Park Car Park
- Form a Working Party to source funding streams or reallocate a reserve to purchase CCTV units for The Big Park /Centenary Park and to present options to Policy & Finance

Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks proposed
Cllr. B Gosling seconded

Agreed

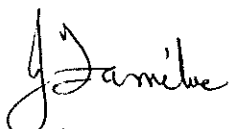
Debate:-

Cllr. A Smith stated it was regrettable this course of action had to be taken.

Cllr. D Neave requested obtaining local quotes.

Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks will convene a working party with immediate effect.

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C158 BATTLE VISIT

A verbal update was given by Cllr. R Farmiloe and Cllr. B Gosling, this is available to collect from the Council Office should residents wish to read it.

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C159 INFORMATION TO NOTE

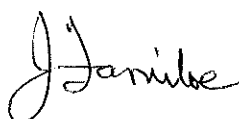
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NEXT MEETING

C160 TO CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Council Precept Tuesday 24th January 2017 at 7:30pm

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