



Mayor: Mrs Jane RANN

Date: 17th February 2014

To All Members of East Cowes Town Council

Minutes of East Cowes Town Council meeting held on Thursday 6th February 2014 **commencing at 7.00 p.m.** in the Town hall

Present. Cllrs. Rann, Webster ,Barton O.B.E. Hillard, P.Lloyd, M. Lloyd, R. Hooper and S. Hendry

Also present: Mr. I. Cobb, Clerk and one member of the public.

The meeting of the Town Council commenced immediately after Questions from the public which began at 7.00 pm. This provided an opportunity for any member of the public to ask questions of members of the Town Council.

4356/14. Apologies received from Mrs. C. Kersey R.F.O.

4357/14. No declarations of Interest.

4358/14. The Clerk confirmed he had received all the requests for dispensation in accordance with s.33 of the Localism Act 2011. This has been given to each Cllr. and the forms signed accordingly.

4359/14. A discussion took place covering a number of topics appertaining to the 2014/15 precept.

- Non discretionary service potentially being passed to Town and Parish Councils
- Christmas 2014 budget
- Free dog bags

After a period of time following the above Cllr. Barton proposed the following statement:

“The Council notes the intention of the IW Council to reduce certain non statutory services and also notes their unwillingness to increase their budget by the allowed maximum to protect these services. The Town Council are not prepared to raise their precept to undertake the unknown service provisions the Isle of Wight Council are to ask us to undertake,”

This was seconded by Cllr. Webster.

Resolved, this statement is adopted.

Meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

Signed.....

Position.....

Date.....

Ian Cobb
Clerk
East Cowes Town