

East Cowes Town Council



Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of East Cowes Town Council held on Wednesday 21st October 2015 at 2.30pm in the Town Hall, York Avenue, East Cowes.

Present: Mayor: Cllr M. Webster
Cllrs: Hendry, Hillard, Hooper, P. Lloyd and M. Lloyd
Town Clerk: Tina Bailey
Members of public: 3

4622/15 TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Rann

4623/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

2.1 To receive any declarations of pecuniary and non -pecuniary interests

Cllr Hillard declared an interest as an IW Ward Councillor and IWC Executive Member for Sustainability and Organisational Change and previously held position as the IWC Executive Member for Discretionary Services.

2.2 To receive and consider granting any written requests for dispensations.

None

Cllr Hooper noted that many other seaside towns on the Island had bathing water status supported by the IWC and questioned Cllr Hillard as to why and when the decision was made by IWC to leave out East Cowes, as it held the Blue Flag up to 2 years ago. Cllr Hillard agreed to find out.

4624/15 TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO RESCIND MINUTE No: 4594/15 DATED 16th July 2015 FROM COUNCILLORS HENDRY, HILLARD, HOOPER AND M. LLOYD:

That the Council will provide the group FAECES in the form of a grant the fee of £450 to facilitate water sampling by the Environment Agency.

That the Town Council resolutely decline to take on any other responsibility in relation to this matter.

RESOLVED

That minute no 4594/15 dated 16th July 2015 'That the Council will provide the group FAECES in the form of a grant the fee of £450 to facilitate water sampling by the Environment Agency and that the Town Council resolutely decline to take on any other responsibility in relation to this matter' is rescinded.

4625/15 1) TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING MOTION FROM CLLR HENDRY

That the Council accept responsibility for providing a link to the Environment Agency water sampling results on our website

That the Council accepts responsibility for the management and display of the provided signs, should there be a water quality sample 'fail'.

We accept these responsibilities on the understanding that there are no financial implications for the own Council beyond the need for staff to carry out part of this task as part of their duties and on the understanding that all liabilities remain with the Isle of Wight Council.

2) Amendment proposed by Cllr P Lloyd

That the final paragraph is: The Town Council accept these responsibilities on the understanding that the IWC confirm in writing an agreement with the East Cowes Town Council as soon as possible or by Christmas 2105 at the latest that these are the only actions required by the East Cowes Town Council and all other liabilities remain with the IWC.

RESOLVED

The Town Council accept these responsibilities on the understanding that the IWC confirm in writing an agreement with the East Cowes Town Council as soon as possible or by Christmas 2015 at the latest, that these are the only actions required by the East Cowes Town Council and all other liabilities remain with the Isle of Wight Council.

3) Amendment moved by Mayor Cllr M Webster

To use some of the money from the previously allocated £460 to pay the Isle of Wight Council for the use of any Environment Officer to undertake the work of putting up the signage is necessary.

The Clerk explained that IWC have an Environment Officer available from 1st Jan 2016 and provided copy of emails from the IWC detailing the costs and job task and specifications as used by Ryde and Newport.

RESOLVED

To use some of the money from the previously allocated £460 to pay the Isle of Wight Council for the use of an Environment Officer to undertake the work putting up the signage if necessary.

4626/15 MOTION FROM CLLR HENDRY

RESOLVED

That the Town Council accept responsibility for providing a link to the Environment Agency water sampling results on the Town Council website

That the Town Council accepts responsibility for the management and display of the provided signs, should there be a water quality sample 'fail'.

The Town Council accept these responsibilities on the understanding that the IWC confirm in writing an agreement with the East Cowes Town Council as soon as possible or by Christmas 2015 that these are the only actions required by the East Cowes Town Council and all other liabilities remain with the Isle of Wight Council.

To use some of the money from the previously allocated £460 to pay the Isle of Wight Council for the use of an Environment Officer to undertake the work of putting up the signage if necessary.

The meeting closed at 14.5

Mayor

Dated: 15th November 2015