



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF VENTNOR TOWN COUNCIL

ST MARGARET'S HALL

6PM

17 MAY 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors: Stephen Cockett (Mayor), Brian Lucas, Mark Jefferies, Phil Warren, Julie Hutchison, Ian Bond, Colm Watling.

Mayor 2020/21 Stewart Blackmore.

ITEM SUBJECT

43/18 ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR

Stewart Blackmore chaired this item in his role as Town Mayor 2020/21 and opened the meeting with a statement summarising the past year's work. Thanking the staff team members present and expressing his best wishes for the Town Council now elected.

It was proposed by Councillor Ian Bond, seconded by Councillor Phil Warren and resolved unanimously that:

Councillor Stephen Cockett be elected Town Mayor for the year 2021/22.

44/18 ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

it was resolved unanimously that:

Councillor Steph Toogood be elected Deputy Town Mayor for the year 2021/22.

Following the exchange of the Mayoral Chain and the new Mayor's expression of thanks to his predecessor Stephen Cockett took the Chair for the remainder of the meeting

45/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest at this time.

46/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors James Toogood and Steph Toogood.

47/18 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

It was resolved unanimously that: the Town Council's Committees, Working Groups and lead member roles for the year 2021/22 be as follows:

- a) Planning Committee:
Councillors Julie Hutchison, James Toogood, Phil Warren and Steph Toogood
 - b) Staffing Committee:
Councillors Ian Bond and James toogood
 - c) Community Development Working Group:
Councillors Julie Hutchison, Mark Jefferies, Steph Toogood and Phil Warren.
 - d) Assets and Services Working Group:
Councillors Stephen Cockett, Brian Lucas, Julie Hutchison, Mark Jefferies, James Toogood, Phil Warren, Ian Bond and Colm Watling
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48/18 GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

- a) It was noted that the requirements a Town or Parish Council must fulfil to be eligible to exercise the General Power of Competence are:
 - o two-thirds of its Members must have been elected or stood for election;
 - o the Town Clerk must hold one of the recognised qualifications including that for the General Power of Competence.
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b) The Town Clerk confirmed that these criteria are complied with at this time.

It was proposed by Councillor Brian Lucas, seconded by Councillor Mark Jefferies and resolved unanimously that:

Ventnor Town Council notes that as it meets the conditions of eligibility required to exercise the General Power of Competence as set out in the Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 it continues to be eligible for its use.

The Meeting closed at 6.20pm.

SIGNED BY THE MAYOR

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