



APPOINTMENTS

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 50/21

21 JUNE 2021

The purpose of this Report is to ask Members to agree a range of appointments

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1) BACKGROUND

There are four areas of the Town Council's work where additional appointments are required at this time as set out in the following sections of this Report.

2) PLANNING COMMITTEE

- a) The current Terms of Reference of the Planning Committee require a membership of at least five Councillors and only four were appointed at the Annual town Council meeting: Councillors Steph Toogood, Julie Hutchison, Phil Warren and James Toogood.
- b) The current Standing Orders require the Chair of the Committee to be appointed by the full Town Council.

3) STAFFING COMMITTEE

- a) The current Terms of Reference of the Staffing Committee require a membership of at least three Councillors and only two were appointed at the Annual town Council meeting: Councillors Ian Bond and James Toogood.
- b) The current Standing Orders require the Chair of the Committee to be appointed by the full Town Council.

4) SOUTH WIGHT PARISHES HEALTH AND WELLBEING FORUM

- a) The Forum was the Town Council's response to the period of the My Life a Full Life programme as a mechanism for facilitating the engagement of all 13 of the South Wight's Town and Parish Councils with the emerging plans for the area within that programme.
- b) It has continued on the basis of representatives from each of the 13 meeting regularly with leading officers and leaders of the Island's Health and Wellbeing Services, organised by the Town Council's Community Development Officer.

5) VENTNOR LIBRARY

- a) Since the Town Council committed to funding a Librarian, the Library's utility costs and its cleaning to prevent its then proposed closure a Steering Group consisting of representatives from the Library Service, the Friends of Ventnor Library and the Town Council held regular meetings until the Library's temporary closure in response to Covid-19.
- b) The Town Council was represented by its Clerk and Mayor on the Steering Group.
- c) In anticipation of the Library's re-opening, a Member appointment (there is no requirement that it be the Mayor) is required.

6) RECOMMENDATION

The Town Council is recommended to:

- i) appoint at least one other Member to its Planning Committee and its Chair;
- ii) appoint at least one other Member to its Staffing Committee and its Chair;
- iii) appoint two representatives to the South Wight Health and Wellbeing Forum; and
- iv) appoint a representative to the Ventnor Library Steering Group.