

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with updates on some areas of the Town Council's ongoing work.

NO. DETAIL

I) OUTFIT LAUNCH

- a) The event, organised by Stephanie Toogood and Evelyn Knowles, in bright sunshine on Monday 2 January was an outstanding success with over 150 visiting the site sometime during the two hours from 11am to 1pm.
- **b)** Refreshments were provided by Sue and Chris Cooper and a brass band provided provided both entertainment and atmosphere.
- c) The Town Council, as agreed, has taken over formal responsibility for the area and it is now included in the Town Council's insurance cover.
- d) Two agreements are yet to the finalised: a Maintenance Agreement with the equipment supplier, Fresh Air Fitness, and a Lease Agreement with the Isle of Wight Council.

2) PUTTING GREEN

- a) Eleven application forms were sent out to people who responded to the advertisement for the concession.
- **b**) The completed forms will be evaluated at a meeting with Isle of Wight Council officers on Friday 6 January.

3) WAR MEMORIAL

- a) The Ventnor Branch of the British Legion have confirmed their offer to contribute £1,100 towards the cost of the 10 metre bore hole to determine the condition of the ground under the War Memorial.
- b) The work is now scheduled to be carried out on Wednesday 11 January 2012.

4) GRIT BINS

- a) We have been unable to place the order for the Grit Bins as we are still awaiting permission from the Isle of Wight Council's Highways department to install them on the identified sites.
- **b)** The Assistant Town Clerk has provided photographs of all of them and will continue progress chasing.

5) BEACH SAFETY

- a) Subject to final approval by the February meeting of the full Council, the Isle of Wight Council have informed the Clerks of Ryde, Sandown, Shanklin and Ventnor that the £25,000 contribution to Beach Safety distributed this year is to be retained in the 2011/12 budget.
- b) This means that Ventnor Town Council will be able to draw down the same £6,250 as last summer to run its First Aid Project during the season.