



# TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

12 SEPTEMBER 2011

The purpose of this report is to provide members with information on some areas of the Town Council's work.

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#### 1) FIRST AID HUT LEASE

- a) The advice from the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) on the draft lease supplied by solicitors acting for the Isle of Wight Council confirmed the report to the August meeting that it was unsuitable for the First Aid Hut
  - b) The lease has accordingly been returned to the Isle of Wight Council together with NALC's proposals for its adjustment.
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#### 2) CENTRAL CAR PARK USE

- a) The unannounced arrival of a Fun Fair in the Central Car Park during the Carnival caused concern.
  - b) The Isle of Wight Council have apologised for the failure to inform Ventnor Town Council of the arrangement.
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#### 3) TRAINING PROGRAMME

- a) The three training sessions for Members run by Sue Chilton of Parish Solutions in the evenings of 10, 18 and 31 August were very successful and much appreciated particularly by the newer members of the Town Council.
  - b) The total cost was £300.
  - c) Members are encouraged to sign up for the free courses run by the Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils (IWALC) over the next six months.
  - d) It might be sensible to invite Sue Chilton to provide another customised training session once the provisions of the new Localism Bill are clarified and approved.
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#### 4) MEMORIAL BENCHES

- a) Two further requests from Memorial Benches have been received since the last meeting and are being progressed.
  - b) The charge of £400 for each covers the costs of manufacture by the Prison, the provision of a plaque, installation and a contribution to maintenance costs.
  - c) A planned maintenance programme will be developed and presented to a future meeting of the Town Council for implementation from April 2012.
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#### 5) OUTDOOR FITNESS AREA

We have now been informed by the Big Lottery Grants Officer that we will be informed of the decision on funding for the Outdoor Fitness Area in the first week of October.

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#### 6) ISLAND PLAN

- a) The final consultative stage for the new Island Plan is now scheduled for next month.
  - b) Councillor Harry Rees will bring members up to date with this development.
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