



TOWN CLERKS' REPORT

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 82/17

9 OCTOBER 2017

The purpose of this paper is to record developments in the past month not requiring an Agenda item at this meeting.

No. DETAILS

1) CONSULTATION RESPONSES

- a) The Working Group appointed by the September Town Council meeting – Councillors Ed Gouge, Jim Toogood and Tony Marvin with Nick Cox and me – to develop a response to the Isle of Wight Council's invitation to complete an initial survey on its planned Review of its Island Plan met on 20 September.
- b) Ed Gouge summarised our discussions of the relevant section of the Survey and they were submitted in advance of the 29 September deadline.
- c) The Town Council's response to the consultation on proposals for cuts to the Isle of Wight Council's Council Tax Support scheme was submitted on 19 September with the response to the consultation on proposals for changes to its Non-domestic Care Charges Policy being submitted on 20 September.

2) LOCALITY LEADS MEETING

- a) This is the quarterly meeting of the three Town & Parish Councils leading the engagement of all those Councils in each of the My Life a Full Life (MLAFL) three Localities: Ventnor in the South, Freshwater in West & Central and Ryde in North and East.
- b) Tony McCarthy and I attend them for Ventnor and the MLAFL's Communications Consultant Claire Robertson leads them and provides the link to the programme. We met on 27 September at St Mary's.

3) UPPER VENTNOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

- a) The Mayor and I had the latest of our 6-weekly meetings on 11 September with the Association's Committee, always well attended by them with a clear understanding of local issues they bring to the table for shared discussion.
- b) A focus this time on increased traffic as the Free School opened and the increased pressure on already limited parking, overgrowing vegetation, the condition of the old Bus Shelter and concern about losing some town centre shops.

4) WORKING GROUPS

- a) The Community Development Working Group met on 12 September and 3 October.
- b) The Assets and Services Working Group met on 12 September and 28 September with its next one set for 10 October.

5) SALISBURY GARDENS' ROOF REPAIRS

- a) One of the August storms disturbed a small number of slates on the roof and, as the repair requires scaffolding the cost is relatively expensive at £1,236.
 - b) Our insurers have accepted that this is covered by our current policy and have reimbursed us already.
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