

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

No. DETAIL

I) ANNUAL CONSULTATION

- a) The Annual Consultation event this year on 25 January was attended by 98 people for a programme aimed at providing the latest information on assets and services the Town Council had taken on in response to the Isle of Wight Council's Budget cuts and asking table-based discussion groups for ideas on the development of other areas of our work.
- b) The first session provided the evidence for a 15% increase in the Precept for 2016/17 an, after a break for refreshments and informal discussion the second produced a wide range of positive suggestions for the development of the Town Council's Youth Offer programme and Network project.

2) LOCAL AREA CO-ORDINATOR APPOINTMENT

- a) We agreed to host and support Public Health's selection process for the appointment of a Local Area Co-ordinator to work in the Ventnor area of the South Wight Locality
- b) Tony McCarthy has recruited a dozen volunteers to act as the Community Panel that he will also be part of while the Mayor is a member of the appointing Panel with the event taking place between 10am and 4pm in our Green Room.

3) GREEN ROOM MEETING ROOMS

- a) The Green Room Meeting Rooms have 16 bookings in February from an encouragingly wide range of community and public service organisations.
- b) This month includes meetings for: the Community Commissioning Group (CCG), Public Health, Age UK, My Life a Full Life, Skatepark, Wight Lite Healers, Citizens Advice Bureau, Carnival Committee, Adult Education and, of course, Ventnor Town Council.

4) SKATE PARK

The Skate Park Committee have successfully completed their application for charitable status.

5) WORKING GROUPS

- a) The Community Development Working Group met on Tuesday 2 February and will meet again on 8 March.
- b) The Public Buildings Working Group met on Tuesday mornings on 12 and 26 of January and will meet again on 16 February.

6) RESIDENT SURVEY RESULTS

The results of the Resident Survey conducted last summer are all now available on our web site by using this link: http://tinyurl.com/hrxfsuw