



# TOWN CLERKS' REPORT

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 73/13

9 SEPTEMBER 2013

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

## No. DETAIL

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### 1) NEW STAFF

- a) The Town Council now has two additional part-time staff as Timebank Support Workers.
  - b) Sarah Makin started her 10-hour a week post with us on Friday 6 September and Jon Idle his 6-hour a week post started on Monday 9 September.
  - c) Both posts are fully funded by an Awards for All Grant to 31 May 2014.
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### 2) PUTTING GREEN

- a) The arrangements for the operation of the Putting Green following the retirement of Sue and Chris Cooper agreed by the Town Council at its August meeting have now been implemented.
  - b) We have agreed to the request from its new operators, Jackie and Richard Tiller, that they start from 1 October as they are keen to use any good weather days and half term to extend the opening hours and ease their way in to their new role.
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### 3) PADDLING POOL

- a) The Paddling Pool, as agreed by the Town Council, will close on Sunday 29 September.
  - b) We will of course be discussing with Merv Ringer and Mick Wade, the two workers who have ensured that the Pool's daily maintenance requirement was completely fulfilled, about their availability for next year as we would like to have them back.
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### 4) BEACH SAFETY PROJECT

- a) The Beach Safety project will end for this season, as agreed by the Town Council, on Friday 13 September.
  - b) The usual end-of-season report will be available for the Town Council meeting on 14 October.
  - c) We intend to extend David Gray's contract to 31 October to provide the annual maintenance input to the Memorial benches for which the Town Council is still responsible.
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### 5) CAR PARKS: EXPRESSION ON INTEREST

- a) The completion of the Isle of Wight Council's Expression of Interest form that needs to be submitted by the 30 September for Ventnor Town Council to take over management of the town's car parks and Esplanade parking has reach final draft stage.
  - b) The draft will be considered for amendment and then formal approval by the Town Council in this meeting's Private Agenda as the details are commercially sensitive.
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### 6) VENTNOR COMMUNITY EVENT

- a) Plans are being finalised for the Community Event on Saturday 21 September at St Catherine's Church, hosted by Southern Housing Group and supported by Ventnor Timebank and Ventnor Town Council.
  - b) An occasion of fun and family activities including sumo wrestling suits and face painting also aims to make information and advice available to members of the public to help ameliorate the effects of the recent changes in the housing and welfare systems.
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