



# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF VENTNOR TOWN COUNCIL

ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH

6PM

15 MAY 2023

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors: Steph Toogood, Mark Jefferies, Phil Warren, Julie Hutchison, John Watkins, Steve Cooper, Dave Logan, Brian Lucas, Ian Bond

## ITEM SUBJECT

### 36/23 ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR

Steph Toogood chaired this item as the Town Mayor for 2022/23.

*It was resolved unanimously that:*

Councillor Steve Cooper be elected Town Mayor for the year 2023/24.

*Councillor Steve Cooper Toogood took the Chair for the remainder of the meeting*

### 37/23 ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

*It was resolved unanimously that:*

Councillor Mark Jefferies be elected Deputy Town Mayor for the year 2023/4.

### 38/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest at this time.

### 39/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no Apologies for Absence as all Members were present.

### 40/18 OTHER APPOINTMENTS

The Mayor read the list of proposed other appointments as that were then responded to by Members.

It was proposed by Councillor Mark Jefferies, seconded by Councillor Ian Bond and unanimously agreed to appoint:

- i. Councillor Phil Warren as the Chair of the Planning Committee with members Councillors Steph Toogood, Brian Lucas and John Watkins;
- ii. Councillor Brian Lucas as the Chair of the Community Support Fund Committee with Councillor Phil Warren as its other Member and Penny Cameron-Watt and Leigh Geddes as its resident members;
- iii. Councillor Steve Cooper as the Chair of the HR Committee with Members Councillors Julie Hutchison, Ian Bond, Brian Lucas, Phil Warren and Mark Jefferies;
- iv. Councillors Julie Hutchison, Ian Bond and Phil Warren as members of the Assets and Services Working Group;
- v. Councillors Steph Toogood, Phil Warren, Mark Jefferies, John Watkins and Dave Logan as members of the Community Development Working Group; and
- vi. Councillors Julie Hutchison, Mark Jefferies, Steve Cooper, Dave Logan and Phil Warren as members of the Sustainability and Biodiversity Working Group.

### 41/18 GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

- a) It was noted that the requirements a Town or Parish Council must fulfil to be eligible to exercise the General Power of Competence are:
  - o two-thirds of its Members must have been elected or stood for election;
  - o the Town Clerk must hold one of the recognised qualifications including that for the General Power of Competence.

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b) The Town Clerk confirmed that these criteria are complied with at this time.

*It was proposed by Councillor Mark Jefferies, seconded by Councillor Steve Cooper and resolved unanimously that:*

Ventnor Town Council notes that at this time it does not meet the conditions of eligibility required to exercise the General Power of Competence as set out in the Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012.

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The Meeting closed at 6.10pm.

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SIGNED BY THE MAYOR

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