

MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF
HYTHE TOWN COUNCIL'S
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
HELD ON THURSDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2008

Present: Councillor J A Schoner (In the Chair)

Councillors Mrs K T Belcourt, R H Carroll, A J Ewart-James,
Mrs Z Harris, S W Hayward, A Smith and D Owen

Also Present: The Town Clerk

Apologies: Councillors A Mayne, Mrs A Mayne and R Watson

**211/08 MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4TH SEPTEMBER 2008**

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R H Carroll
SECONDED BY: Councillor S W Hayward and

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th September 2008, having been circulated, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

212/08 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors S W Hayward, J A Schoner, Mrs K T Belcourt, A Smith and the Town Clerk declared personal interests in Min No 228 – Hythe Twinning Association – Members of Hythe Twinning Association.

Councillor S W Hayward declared a personal interest in Min No 219 – Arts, Culture & Leisure Fund – Grandson plays for Hythe Town FC Under 18's.

**213/08 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING FOR PUBLIC INCLUSION IN
ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER NO. 70**

There were no written or verbal questions from the public.

**214/08 APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD TO 30TH
SEPTEMBER 2008**

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R H Carroll
SECONDED BY: Councillor A J Ewart-James and

RESOLVED – That the payments for the period to 30th September 2008, covering cheque numbers 011086 - 011113 be authorised, as appended to these Minutes.

Councillor Mrs Z Harris entered the Chamber.

215/08 APPROVAL OF BUDGET STATEMENT TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2008

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor A J Ewart-James
SECONDED BY: Councillor S W Hayward and

RESOLVED – That the Budget Statement to 30th September 2008 be approved.

216/08 APPROVAL OF BALANCE SHEET & INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2008

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor D Owen
SECONDED BY: Councillor R H Carroll and

RESOLVED – That the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account to 30th September 2008 be approved.

217/08 REPORT OF RECEIPTS TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2008

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Mrs Z Harris
SECONDED BY: Councillor D Owen and

RESOLVED - That the Receipts for the period to 30th September 2008 be accepted.

218/08 TRANSFER OF FUNDS

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt
SECONDED BY: Councillor A Smith and

RESOLVED – That the transfer of the Phillips Trust grant of £1,536.00 from Revenue to Capital – Eaton Lands Capital Fund be authorised.

219/08 ARTS, CULTURE & LEISURE FUND

Members considered the previously circulated application from Hythe Town FC Under 18's in respect of funding for a new away football kit.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R H Carroll
SECONDED BY: Councillor A J Ewart-James and

RECOMMENDED – That £200.00 be granted to the Hythe Town FC Under 18's in respect of funding for a new away football kit, subject to the usual conditions' being met.

220/08 HYPHE FESTIVAL 2010

Members considered the previously circulated request from the Hythe Festival Company for the use of Hythe Town Council property and land for its 2010 Festival.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R H Carroll
SECONDED BY: Councillor S W Hayward and

RECOMMENDED – That:

1. The Hythe Festival Company provide a detailed plan, with dates and locations in 12 months time.
2. The above schedule of dates and venues must be provided by the Hythe Festival Company before the Town Council can accede to its request for the use of Hythe Town Council property and land for its 2010 Festival.

221/08 GRAFFITI VANDALISM AT HYTHE SKATEPARK

Members consider the previously circulated correspondence from Kent Police in respect of the above.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor J A Schoner
SECONDED BY: Councillor D Owen and

RECOMMENDED – That the names and addresses of the individuals who caused criminal damage at the Skatepark be requested to be provided to the Town Council by the District Commander in order to facilitate a civil claim's being made.

222/08 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT – RESOLVED MIN NO 418/07 REFERS

Members discussed the renewal of the Shepway District Council Maintenance Contract.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor J A Schoner
SECONDED BY: Councillor Mrs Z Harris and

RECOMMENDED – That the Grounds Maintenance Contract for 2009/2010 be placed out to tender.

223/08 FOLKESTONE RUNNING CLUB

Members discussed the previously circulated request from the Folkestone Running Club to use the Green on the 10th April 2009 for its Annual 10 mile road race.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Mrs Z Harris
SECONDED BY: Councillor D Owen and

RECOMMENDED – That the Folkestone Running Club be granted use of the Green on the 10th April 2009 for its Annual Running Club 10 mile road race, subject to the usual conditions' being met.

224/08 FOOTBALL FOUNDATION APPLICATION FOR FUNDING / FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Members discussed the previously circulated Football Foundation Application and Football Development Plan. The Appendices had been made available in the Office for Members' perusal.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R H Carroll
SECONDED BY: Councillor A Smith and

RESOLVED – That:

1. The Football Foundation Application and Football Development Plan be endorsed and the application and appendices be submitted to the Football Foundation.
2. Congratulations to be given to the Town Clerk and to all those involved in the preparing of the submissions.

225/08 MINUTES OF THE SPORTS PAVILION SUB-COMMITTEE

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R H Carroll
SECONDED BY: Councillor A Smith and

RECOMMENDED – That the Minutes of the Sports Pavilion Sub-Committee Meeting held on the 1st October 2008 be received and the decisions made therein be endorsed.

226/08 INVESTMENT OF COUNCIL FUNDS

The Town Clerk reported on alternative investment vehicles in respect of the current turbulent financial situation.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor J A Schoner
SECONDED BY: Councillor R H Carroll and

RECOMMENDED – That the bulk of the treasury account reserves be placed in the appropriate existing NSI accounts.

227/08 PORTRAIT OF CHARLES JAMES FOX – RESOLVED MIN NO 147/08 REFERS

Members discussed the previously circulated correspondence in respect of the above. The Town Clerk read out preliminary advice from Bonhams in respect of the estimated value of the painting of between £3,000 and £10,000 at auction.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R H Carroll
SECONDED BY: Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt and

RECOMMENDED – That the Town Clerk pursue a detailed valuation, subject to the cost for such a valuation's being of a minor nature.

228/08 HYTHE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Members considered a partial refund of the Hythe Twinning Association's Boot Fair charge for the past season which had been cancelled due to adverse weather conditions.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor A J Ewart-James

SECONDED BY: Councillor A Smith and

RECOMMENDED – That a 50% refund be granted to the Hythe Twinning Association in respect of its cancelled Boot Fair in the light of the fact that an alternative date for a Boot Fair could not be offered.

Meeting closed at 7.45 p.m.

Dated the Day of 2008

.....CHAIRMAN