

MINUTES

OF THE ANNUAL STATUTORY MEETING OF

HYTHE TOWN COUNCIL

HELD ON THURSDAY 10TH MAY 2007

Present: The Right Worshipful Mayor of Hythe
N A Matthews (In the Chair)

Councillors Mrs K T Belcourt, R Belcourt, R H Carroll,
M J Dearden, Mrs Z Harris, S W Hayward, M J Lyons,
Mrs A Mayne, A Mayne, Mrs L Oliver, J Oliver, D Owen,
J A Schoner, A Smith and R Watson

Also Present: The Town Clerk and Revered B Barnes

Apologies: None

The Mayor welcomed those civic dignatories present, distinguished guests, Town Councillors and members of the public. The Mayor then called upon Reverend Barnes to open the proceedings with prayers.

01/07 ELECTION OF MAYOR – CIVIC YEAR 2007/2008

The Mayor requested nominations for the appointment of Mayor for the ensuing Civic Year.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R Belcourt
SECONDED BY: Councillor R H Carroll

That Councillor A J Ewart-James be elected as Town Mayor for the ensuing Civic Year.

The matter was put to the vote and it was unanimously

RESOLVED – That Councillor A J Ewart-James be elected Town Mayor of Hythe for the ensuing Civic Year.

Councillor A J Ewart-James in the Chair.

02/07 DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

1. The Mayor signed his declaration of acceptance of office as Chairman of the Council.
2. The Town Clerk reported that all individual Councillors' Declarations had been previously received.
3. Those Declarations that were previously received by the Town Clerk were recorded.

The Mayor announced that Mrs Rosemary Ewart-James had agreed to be his Mayoress and Reverend Brian Barnes was to be the Town Council's Chaplain for the ensuing Civic Year. His personal Chaplain was to be the Reverend Barry Armson. The Mayor then presented Mrs Ewart-James with her Escort's medallion.

Mr N A Matthews gave a speech and made presentations to the staff. The Mayor then presented him with his Past Mayor's Badge.

03/07 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR – CIVIC YEAR 2007/2008

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor A J Ewart-James
SECONDED BY: Councillor M J Dearden and

RESOLVED – That Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt be elected Deputy Mayor of Hythe for the ensuing Civic Year.

The Mayor then invested the Deputy Mayor with her Badge of Office.

It was then

PROPOSED BY: Councillor J A Schoner
SECONDED BY: Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt and

RESOLVED – That in accordance with resolved Min No 431/01 of Council that the meeting stand adjourned until 6.45 pm later that day.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor J A Schoner
SECONDED BY: Councillor M J Dearden and

RESOLVED – That the meeting be reconvened.

04/07 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF 19TH APRIL 2007

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor J A Schoner
SECONDED BY: Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt and

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on the 19th April 2007, having been circulated, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

05/07 REGISTERING DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor A J Ewart-James declared a prejudicial interest in Min. No. 09/07 – Civic Allowance for the ensuing Civic Year.

06/07 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There were no written or verbal questions from the public.

07/07 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

08/07 QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER NO 24(2)

There were none received.

The Mayor left the Chamber for the discussion and vote on the following item:

09/07 CIVIC ANNUAL ALLOWANCE FOR 2007/2008

Deputy Mayor in the Chair

Members were referred to the agreed budget provision of £3,217 for the Civic Year 2007/2008.

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor J A Schoner
SECONDED BY: Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt and

RESOLVED – That the Civic Allowance be set at £3,217 for the ensuing Civic Year.

The Mayor returned to the Chamber and resumed the Chair.

Councillor M J Lyons entered the Chamber.

10/07 APPOINTMENTS TO THE TWO STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE ENSUING CIVIC YEAR

It was

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

RESOLVED - That the following appointments be made:

Finance & General Purposes Committee

Mayor and Deputy Mayor – Ex Officio, together with Councillors R H Carroll, Mrs Z Harris, S W Hayward, Mrs A Mayne, A Mayne, Mrs L Oliver, J Oliver, D Owen, J A Schoner, A Smith and R Watson.

Plans and Works Committee

Mayor and Deputy Mayor – Ex Officio, together with Councillors R Belcourt, M J Dearden, S W Hayward, M J Lyons, A Mayne and J Oliver.

It was then

PROPOSED BY: Councillor M J Dearden
SECONDED BY: Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt and

RESOLVED – That Council stand adjourned to permit the Principal Committees to carry out their business.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HYTHE TOWN COUNCIL'S
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
HELD ON THURSDAY 10TH MAY 2007**

Present: The Right Worshipful Mayor of Hythe
Councillor A J Ewart - James (In the Chair)

The Deputy Mayor
Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt

Councillors R H Carroll, Mrs Z Harris, S W Hayward,
Mrs A Mayne, A Mayne, Mrs L Oliver, J Oliver, D Owen,
J A Schoner, A Smith and R Watson.

Also Present: Councillors R Belcourt, M J Dearden and M J Lyons

Apologies: None

11/07 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE ENSUING CIVIC YEAR 2007/8

It was

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

AGREED – That Councillor J A Schoner be elected Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee for the ensuing Civic Year.

Councillor J A Schoner in the Chair.

12/07 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE ENSUING CIVIC YEAR 2007/8

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor J A Schoner
SECONDED BY: Councillor R Watson and

AGREED – That Councillor A Mayne be elected as Vice-Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee for the ensuing Civic Year.

13/07 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were none declared.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HYTHE TOWN COUNCIL'S
PLANS & WORKS COMMITTEE
HELD ON THURSDAY 10TH MAY 2007**

Present: The Right Worshipful Mayor of Hythe
Councillor A J Ewart-James (In the Chair)

The Deputy Mayor
Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt

Councillors R Belcourt, M J Dearden, S W Hayward, M J Lyons,
A Mayne and J Oliver

Also Present: Councillors R H Carroll, Mrs Z Harris, Mrs A Mayne,
Mrs L Oliver, D Owen, A Smith, J A Schoner and R Watson

Apologies: None

15/07 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE ENSUING CIVIC YEAR

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor M J Lyons
SECONDED BY: Councillor M J Dearden and

AGREED – That Councillor R Belcourt be elected Chairman for the ensuing Civic Year.

Councillor R Belcourt in the Chair.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE ENSUING CIVIC YEAR

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R Belcourt
SECONDED BY: Councillor J Oliver and

AGREED – That Councillor M J Lyons be elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing Civic Year.

16/07 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were none declared.

It was then

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

RESOLVED – That the Council Meeting be reconvened.

18/07 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERSHIP TO OTHER COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

(i) Standing Orders Committee

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt
SECONDED BY: Councillor S W Hayward and

RESOLVED – That the following Members be appointed to serve: Councillors J A Schoner, M J Dearden, J Oliver and M J Lyons.

(ii) CCTV Committee

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor K T Belcourt
SECONDED BY: Councillor D Owen and

RESOLVED – That the following Members be appointed to serve: Councillors J A Schoner, Mrs A Mayne, A Mayne and M J Lyons.

(iii) Aims & Objectives Committee

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt
SECONDED BY: Councillor S W Hayward and

RESOLVED – That the following appointments be confirmed: Councillors Mrs L Oliver, R H Carroll, D Owen, J Oliver, S W Hayward and M J Dearden.

19/07 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt
SECONDED BY: Councillor M J Dearden and

RESOLVED – That the following Hythe Town Council representatives be appointed to the following outside bodies:

- (a) Age Concern
Councillors S W Hayward and R H Carroll.
- (b) Hythe Twinning Association
Councillors R Belcourt and A Smith.
- (c) Kent Association of Parish Councils – Shepway Area Committee
Councillors Mrs L Oliver and R Watson.
- (d) Shepway Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee
Councillor A Mayne.
- (e) Hythe Chamber of Commerce
Councillor D Owen.
- (f) Hythe Tourism & Public Relations Forum
Councillor Mrs L Oliver.
- (g) Shepway Tourism Action Group
Councillor Mrs L Oliver.

20/07 APPOINTMENT OF TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE HOSPITAL OF ST BARTHOLOMEW & ST JOHN

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor J A Schoner
SECONDED BY: Councillor M J Dearden and

RESOLVED – That Councillor Mrs K T Belcourt be re-appointed as the Town Council representative to the Hospital of St Bartholomew & St John for the ensuing four years.

21/07 APPOINTMENT OF BANDSTAND CO-ORDINATOR

It was

PROPOSED BY: Councillor R Belcourt
SECONDED BY: Councillor R H Carroll and

RESOLVED – That Councillor J A Schoner be appointed as the Town Council's Bandstand Co-ordinator for the forthcoming season.

