

## FOLKESTONE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held at the Town Hall, 1 – 2 Guildhall Street, Folkestone, CT20 1DY on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Councillors Bridget Chapman, Jane Darling, Peter Gane, Lucy McGirr, Belinda Walker and Roger West

**In attendance:** Toni Brenchley – Town Clerk  
Vicky Deakin - Communities & Events Officer

### 1270. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

### 1271. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

The Committee were asked to appoint a Chair for the 2024/25 Municipal Year.

**RESOLVED: That Councillor Roger West be appointed Chair for the 2024/25 Municipal Year.**

Proposed: Councillor Peter Gane

Seconded: Councillor Lucy McGirr

Voting: F: 6, Ag: 0, Ab: 0

### 1272. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

The Committee were asked to appoint a Vice Chair for the 2024/25 Municipal Year.

**RESOLVED: That Councillor Jane Darling be appointed Vice Chair for the 2024/25 Municipal Year.**

Proposed: Councillor Peter Gane

Seconded: Councillor Belinda Walker

Voting: F: 6, Ag: 0, Ab: 0

### 1273. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

### 1274. MINUTES

The Committee was asked to receive the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2024 and to authorise the Chair of the Committee to sign them as a correct record.

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2024 be received and signed as a correct record.**

Proposed: Councillor Peter Gane

Seconded: Councillor Lucy McGirr

Voting: F: 6, Ag: 0, Ab: 0

**1275. REVIEW OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE**

In line with the Town Council's adopted Standing Orders, the Committee was asked to consider the Terms of Reference for the Community Services Committee.

**RESOLVED: That the existing Terms of Reference for the Community Services Committee remain unchanged.**

Proposed: Councillor Lucy McGirr

Seconded: Councillor Jane Darling

Voting: F: 6, Ag: 0, Ab: 0

**1276. WORKING GROUPS 2024/25**

The Committee was asked to consider whether any Working Groups were necessary and if so, to approve nominations (as follows) for membership for 2024/25:

**RESOLVED: To approve the nominations (as follows) for membership for 2024/25:**

**Museum: Cllrs Akuffo-Kelly, Chapman, Walker and McGirr**

**Events Forum: (All Town Councillors to be contacted with an invite to become a member of the Events Forum).**

Proposed: Councillor Peter Gane

Seconded: Councillor Belinda Walker

Voting: F: 6, Ag: 0, Ab: 0

**1277. ARMED FORCES DAY – SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024**

The Communities & Events Officer updated the Committee in respect of plans for and all elements of the event.

**1278. CITIZENS ADVICE INITIATIVE FOR TOWN HALL**

Members views were sought in respect of whether the KALC scheme to provide a tablet device to assist residents with financial issues would benefit Folkestone Town Council in complementing the KCC ReferKent initiative that it began supporting earlier this year.

**RESOLVED: That Folkestone Town Council implement the Citizens Advice Bureau Scheme 'Kent Money Advice Hub' including installing and making available a tablet device to assist local residents.**

Proposed: Councillor Peter Gane

Seconded: Councillor Lucy McGirr

Voting: F: 6, Ag: 0, Ab: 0

**1279. FOLKESTONE MUSEUM REPORT CS/24/361**

Members were asked to receive, note and consider the recommendations in the Report CS/24/364.

**RESOLVED:**

- 1. To receive and note Report CS/24/364**
- 2. To approve the disposal of redundant duplicate items from the collection**

Proposed: Councillor Bridget Chapman

Seconded: Councillor Lucy McGirr

Voting: F: 6, Ag: 0, Ab: 0

**1280. BUS SHELTER**

The Communities and Estates Officer updated the Committee on the installation of an FTC funded bus shelter at the bus stop opposite 11 Lynwood, Folkestone and advised that a response from Stagecoach is still awaited.

**RESOLVED:**

That this item be deferred to the next meeting for consideration.

Proposed: Councillor Peter Gane

Seconded: Councillor Belinda Walker

Voting: F: 6, Ag: 0, Ab: 0

**1281. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at **7pm** (TBC)

The meeting concluded at 7.45pm

Chair.....

Date.....