

41st Annual Town Meeting

To be signed at the next meeting 2015

Minutes of the 41st Town Meeting held in the Council House, 44 Old Street, Clevedon, 7.30pm, Monday 14th April 2014

Present

Cllr Pat McNeill – Chairman of Clevedon Town Council Presiding

District/Town Councillors C. Blades, C Francis-Pester, B Garner, J. Geldart, C. Hall, B. Hatch, L. Knott, L Little, J Middleton, N. Pennycott, A. Shopland, D Shopland, G. Watkins, C Wring.

Town Clerk – Ms P Heath MILCM, Deputy Town Clerk Mrs Johnson

1 Local Government Elector.

Mr Hale & Mr Rostron filming the meeting on behalf of Clevedon News.

North Somerset Times Reporter

Apologies for nonattendance had been given by Cllr Bussey (work commitment) Cllr Giles-Townsend (illness) Cllr Hill (family commitment) Cllr Norton-Sealey (family commitments)

TM 14/1 MINUTES OF THE 40TH TOWN MEETING

Proposed and seconded that the minutes of the 40th Annual Town Meeting held on 13th May 2013 are a true record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

TM 14/2 ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL.

The Council Chairman and Committee Chairman reports were circulated prior to the meeting. Copies of which are attached for information only.

14.2.1 The Chairman's Report – The Chairman read his report, there were no questions

14.2. 2 Allotment Committee – The Chairman of the Committee Cllr Wring read the report; there were no questions

14.2.3 Environment & Property Committee – The Chairman Cllr D. Shopland spoke to the report; there were no questions

14.2.4 Finance and General Policy Committee – The Chairman Cllr Francis-Pester spoke to his report highlighting the problems that had been experienced before and during the transfer of the toilets which had resulted in increased costs; there were no questions.

14.2.5 Planning Committee – A member of the Committee in the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman spoke to the report; there were no questions

14.2.6 Town Events & Amenity Committee – The Chairman Cllr Francis-Pester spoke to the report highlighting the ongoing work with North Somerset Council on the HLF Grant for Marine Lake, also the work undertaken by Cllrs who sit as observers on outside bodies on behalf of the Council.

In response to questions the Committee Chairman explained that it was not always possible to list all the projects and work undertaken by the Committee in the report and acknowledged the work done by a sub-committee to take over the Tennis Courts on Salthouse Field.

In response to a question the Committee Chairman explained that the initially funded work on the bandstand had been completed but the officer at North Somerset was seeking additional funding from other sources to complete the additional work needed to fully restore the Bandstand; the officer would be reporting to the next Town Events & Amenity Committee meeting.

14.2.7 Transport & Highways Committee – The Chairman Cllr Pennycott read his report.

In response to a question the Committee Chairman of TEA explained that the flags on the sea front were the responsibility north Somerset Council and it is understood they are being replaced before Easter holidays.

Proposed, seconded and **AGREED** by the meeting to accept the reports.

TM 14/3 FINANCIAL REPORT

The Town clerk presented the circulated audited annual accounts to 31st March 2013, and the 2014/2015 budget.

Proposed, seconded and **AGREED** by the meeting to accept the financial report

TM 14/4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTOR PARTICIPATION

Mr Shopland

Noted the absence of public at the meeting and asked that the Council reconsiders holding the Annual Town Meeting on the same night as the Annual Statutory Meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm

CHAIRMAN Date