Minutes of a Meeting of the Youth Working Group

held at the Town Hall

on Thursday, 14th February, 2019 at 6:00 pm

PRESENT

Councillor R. D. Gray (Mayor)

Councillor T. J. Davies (Deputy Mayor)

Councillors: M. P. Rickard C. A. Sharp

Youth

Representatives: Miss A. Coaker Miss B. Roberts

 Mrs M. L. Galliford, Town Clerk

206. APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors W. D. Elliott BA QTS and R. Williams.

207. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN:

 RESOLVED THAT this be deferred until the next

 meeting of the Youth Working Group.

208. YOUTH REPRESENTATION ON THE MILFORD HAVEN TOWN COUNCIL:

 Councillor M. P. Rickard joined the meeting during the discussion.

 The Mayor advised that the Youth Representatives – Miss A. Coaker and Miss B. Roberts - two-year term would be ending in April.

 The Mayor said that she would like Miss Coaker and Miss Roberts to speak freely about their experience with the Town Council.

 The Youth Representatives said that they felt that they would have benefited from a clearly defined role. They had some concerns regarding protocol and the Mayor said that she and the Clerk were in the process of compiling a Handbook for New Councillors and would incorporate a section for Youth Representatives.

 A discussion followed in which it was agreed that it was important to fully utilise the skills of any youth representatives and to learn lessons from the last two years.

 It was RECOMMENDED THAT:

 (i) the Youth Representatives be requested

 to remain in their position for a limited time,

 which is to be agreed, to assist with defining

 the role of Youth Representative within the

 Milford Haven Town Council;

 (ii) the Youth Working Group is to meet, where

 possible, before every Thursday’s meeting of

 the Full Council;

 (iii) the next meeting of the Youth Working Group

 is to take place before the next Full Council

 meeting on Thursday, 7th March;

 (iv) the Role Descriptor, which was distributed before

 the Youth Representatives’ appointment, is to

 be circulated to Members of the Youth Working

 Group for discussion at the next meeting;

 (v) the Mayor and Clerk are to incorporate a section

 on Youth Representatives into the New Councillor

 Handbook.

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