

MILFORD HAVEN TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Milford Haven Town Council
held at the Town Hall, Milford Haven
on Monday 25th October 2021 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Miss K. F. Gray)

Councillors: A. E. Byrne P. Coe
 E. A. Davies DipSM FJOIFF T. J. Davies
 W. D. Elliott BA QTS B. Phillips
 C. A. Sharp D. R. Sinnett
 G. Woodham MBA (Open) LL.B (Hons)

Ms F. K. Galliford, Secretary

J. Riley, Western Telegraph Reporter

PRAYERS:

The Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Father Andrew Johnson, led Members in prayer.

134. APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Mrs C. Stevens, and Councillors E. R. Harries, M. P. Rickard, Mrs Y. G. Southwell, Mrs L. E. Turner and R. Williams. Apologies for absence were also received from the Town Clerk, Mrs B. J. Fitzgerald. Apologies for absence were not received from Councillors R. D. Gray and A. H. Miles.

135. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

136. NEWS FROM THE MAYOR

The Mayor, Councillor Miss K. F. Gray, spoke of the Baby Loss Awareness Memorial Service, which had taken place at Thornton Cemetery on Wednesday 13th October. The Service had again been very well attended by the people of Milford Haven.

137. QUESTIONS WITHOUT DEBATE PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO. 6.

No items were raised.

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138. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD ON 20th SEPTEMBER 2021

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Milford Haven Town Council held on the 20th September 2021 be accepted and that they be signed by the Mayor as a true record.

139. MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD ON 12th OCTOBER 2021

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

RESOLVED THAT as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting.

J. Riley and Reverend Johnson left the Council Chamber during discussion of this item.

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Milford Haven Town Council held on the 12th October 2021 be accepted and that they be signed by the Mayor as a true record.

J. Riley and Reverend Johnson returned to the Council Chamber once this matter had been concluded.

A Member expressed concern at the Councillors who were standing up to speak at the Meeting. He wished for Councillors to be gently reminded to remain seated while speaking due to ongoing Covid-19 protocols.

140. PLANNING, POLICY AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE held on 8th October 2021

In the absence of the Chairman of the Planning, Policy and Community Committee, Councillor R. Williams, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Policy and Community Committee held on 8th October 2021 were moved by the Vice Chairman of the Committee, Councillor C. A. Sharp.

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Policy and Community Committee held on 8th October 2021 be approved and adopted.

141. FINANCE, GOVERNANCE AND PROJECTS COMMITTEE held on 11th October 2021

As the Chairman of the Finance, Governance and Projects Committee, Councillor W. D. Elliott BA QTS, was absent from this Meeting, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance, Governance and Projects Committee held on 11th October 2021 were moved by the Vice Chairman of the Committee, Councillor E. A. Davies DipSM FJOIFF.

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RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Finance, Governance and Projects Committee held on 11th October 2021 be moved and adopted.

142. SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CEMETERY MAINTENANCE AND LAND ACQUISITION GROUP held on 14th October 2021

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

RESOLVED THAT as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting.

J. Riley and Reverend Johnson left the Council Chamber during discussion of this item. They did not return to the Chamber until discussion had been concluded regarding Minute No. 144, "Safety of Town Council Staff".

A Member proposed that all matters of a confidential nature be moved to either the beginning or end of future Meetings.

RESOLVED THAT those matters of a confidential nature be discussed at either the beginning or the end of future Meetings of the Full Council.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Cemetery Maintenance and Land Acquisition Group held on 14th October 2021 were moved by the Chairman of this Group, Councillor C. A. Sharp.

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Cemetery Maintenance and Land Acquisition Group held on 14th October 2021 be moved and adopted.

143. MEETING OF THE CEMETERY MAINTENANCE AND LAND ACQUISITION GROUP held on 19th October 2021

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Cemetery Maintenance and Land Acquisition Group held on 19th October 2021 were moved by the Chairman of this Group, Councillor C. A. Sharp.

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Cemetery Maintenance and Land Acquisition Group held on 19th October 2021 be moved and adopted.

144. SAFETY OF TOWN COUNCIL STAFF

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

RESOLVED THAT: as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason

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of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting.

145. DRAFT CALENDAR OF MEETINGS – NOVEMBER 2021 TO MAY 2022

A Member asked whether the landlord of the Town Hall, Mr. B. Evens, could receive a copy of this list.

RESOLVED THAT:

- (i) a copy of this list be sent to Mr. Evens;
 - (ii) the Calendar of Meetings for November 2021 to May 2022 be approved and adopted.
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