Minutes of a Meeting of the Milford Haven Town Council

held at the Town Hall, Milford Haven

on Monday 28th March 2022 at 7 pm

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PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Miss K. F. Gray)

Councillors: A. E. Byrne T. J. Davies

B. Phillips M. P. Rickard

C. A. Sharp D. R. Sinnett

Mrs Y. G. Southwell

Mrs B. J. Fitzgerald, Town Clerk

J. Riley (Western Telegraph Reporter)

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PRAYERS:

Father Andrew Johnson led prayers at 7 pm with a minute’s silence to mark the passing of sitting Central Ward Councillor Anthony “Tony” Miles (Mayor of Milford Haven 2007-2008) and Mr. Alan Sharp from Sittingbourne, Kent, the father of Councillor Colin Sharp.

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247. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P. Coe, E. A. Davies DipSM FJOIFF, R. D. Gray, E. R. Harries, Mrs L. E. Turner and G. Woodham MBA (Open) LL.B (Hons).

Late apologies were received from Councillors W. D. Elliott BA QTS and R. Williams.

No apologies were received from the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Mrs C. Stevens.

248. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

249. NEWS FROM THE MAYOR

The Mayor had no updates to give.

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

No items were raised.

251. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON 28th FEBRUARY 2022

**RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of the Meeting of

the Full Council held on 28th February 2022 be accepted

and that they be signed by the Mayor as a true record.

252. TO RECEIVE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE PLANNING, POLICY AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE HELD ON 10th MARCH 2022

In the absence of the Chairman of the Planning, Policy and Community Committee, Councillor R. Williams, and as the Vice Chair of the Committee, Councillor C. A. Sharp, was not present at this Meeting, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning, Policy and Community Committee held on 10th March 2022 were moved by Councillor T. J. Davies.

**RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of the Meeting of the

Planning, Policy and Community Committee held on 10th March

2022 be approved and adopted.

253. TO RECEIVE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE FINANCE, GOVERNANCE AND PROJECTS COMMITTEEE HELD ON 14th MARCH 2022

In the absence of the Chairman of the Finance, Governance and Projects Committee, Councillor W. D. Elliott BA QTS, and the Vice Chair, Councillor E. A. Davies DipSM FJOIFF, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance, Governance and Projects Committee held on 14th March 2022 were moved by Councillor Mrs Y. G. Southwell.

**RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of the Meeting of the

Finance, Governance and Projects Committee held on 14th March 2022 be approved and adopted.

254. QUEEN’S PLATINUM JUBILEE EVENT

A short update was given by the Clerk, Mrs B. J. Fitzgerald. The plans agreed by the Queen’s Jubilee Group are coming together well with a few items still to be confirmed.

**RESOLVED THAT** the information is received.

255. TO REVIEW THE COUNCIL’S MEETING STRUCTURE

Members considered a Report relating to this Council’s present Meeting structure. Opinions as to the structure were sought from Councillors and detailed in the Report. A number of Councillors have also expressed a preference for smaller meetings to be conducted via the Zoom software.

**RESOLVED THAT** this matter will be reviewed after the elections take place in May 2022.

256. THE REGENERATION OF MILFORD HAVEN

Members considered a Report and attached plan (from July 2018) regarding regeneration possibilities for Milford Haven.

Members felt that the plan from 2018 was too far out of date, with the banks and the market mentioned in the plan no longer existing, and that the plan needs to be refreshed. A request is to be made for an officer of the Regeneration Unit at Pembrokeshire County Council along with a representative from the consultants to attend a meeting with the Town Council.

**RESOLVED THAT** an Officer from the Regeneration Unit at Pembrokeshire County Council and a representative from the BE Group (working with PER Consulting) be invited to attend a Meeting with the Town Council to discuss the regeneration of Milford Haven.

257. DONATION BY M. PURL, AMERICAN AUTHOR OF NOVELS/NOVELLAS CALLED MILFORD-HAVEN

Members considered a Report relating to a project initiated by Ms Purl, in which donations could be awarded to organisations in Milford Haven with a historical/environmental slant. This matter had previously been discussed at the Meeting of the Full Council on 28th February 2022.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

(i) clarification be sought as to whether individuals

can apply for such a donation, or whether the project

is open to groups/organisations only;

(ii) once clarification is received, an advertisement is to

be displayed across the Council’s social media pages;

(iii) Ms Purl, who will be in Britain with her husband from

26th April 2022, may award the donations herself during

her stay in this country.

258. MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MILFORD HAVEN AND NEYLAND MULTI AGENCY WORK GROUP (MAWG) HELD ON 9th MARCH 2022

Members noted the minutes of the second Meeting of the Milford Haven and Neyland Multi Agency Work Group (MAWG) which took place via the Microsoft Teams software on 9th March 2022.

Members felt that an ‘Amber’ alert relating to anti-social behaviour at the Havens Head Retail Park should be moved to ‘Red’.

**RESOLVED THAT** subject to the above, the minutes

of a Meeting of the Milford Haven and Neyland Multi Agency

Work Group (MAWG) held on 9th March 2022 be received.

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