

PEACEHAVEN TOWN COUNCIL

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TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE MERIDIAN CENTRE MERIDIAN WAY **PEACEHAVEN** EAST SUSSEX 3rd April 2018

MEMBER 5 OF PEACEHAVEN TOWN COUNCIL are summoned to an EXTRA ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting to be held in th € ANZAC MEETING ROOM, MERIDIAN CENTRE, PEACEHAVEN on Friday 6th April 2018 at 6.30pm

Cllr. Robert Robertson Amber Robertson

AGENDA

GEN ERAL BUSINESS

- 1 TO CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 3 RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT A CONFIDENTIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

CONFIDENTIAL

In accordance with Standing Order No. 11 and the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Section 1, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press may be excluded from the discussion on the following items

- CALL FOR EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING 4
- COMPLAINTS TO THE COUNCIL 5
- **RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL** 6

NEXT MEETING

TO CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Annual Town Meeting Tuesday 17th April 2018 at 6:00pm 7 - Annual Council Meeting Tuesday 15th May 2018 at 7:30pm



Minutes of the EXTRA ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held in the ANZAC ROOM, Meridian Centre, Peacehaven, on Friday 6th April 2018 at 6:30pm

Members

Councillors:

Wayne Botting

Jackie Harrison-Hicks

Daryll Brindley Rachael Coles Lynda Duhigg Andy Loraine Ron Maskell Dave Neave

Jean Farmiloe Reg Farmiloe (Vice Chair) Brian Gosling (Chair) Amber Robertson Robbie Robertson Melvyn Simmons

Job Harris

Andy Smith

Ann Harrison

Present:

Councillors:

Wayne Botting
Daryll Brindley
Rachael Coles

Andy Loraine Ron Maskell Dave Neave

Lynda Duhigg

Robbie Robertson

Job Harris

Melvyn Simmons (Chair)

In Attendance

Campbell McBryer - Leisure & Amenities Manager

GENERAL BUSINESS

C324 TO CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. J Farmiloe - accepted (due to Cllr. R Farmiloe's illness)

Cllr. R Farmiloe - accepted (illness)

Cllr. B Gosling - noted (prior commitment)

Cllr. A Harrison - noted (prior commitment)

Cllr. J Harrison-Hicks - noted (prior commitment)

Cllr. A Robertson - noted (attendance at a funeral)

Cllr. A Smith - noted (prior commitment)

C325 DECLARATIONS

None

C326 RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT A CONFIDENTIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

The Council DOES NOT AGREE to exclude members of the public and press from this meeting

Clir. R Coles proposed

Cllr. D Brindley seconded

Agreed

Debate:-

None

Date:

Signature:

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C327 CALL FOR EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING

Standing Orders 6 Extra-ordinary meetings of the Council & Committees & Sub-Committees

- a The Chairman of the Council may convene an extraordinary meeting of the Council at any time.
- b If the Chairman of the Council does not or refuses to call an extraordinary meeting of the Council within seven days of having been requested in writing to do so by two Councillors, any two Councillors may convene an extraordinary meeting of the Council. The public notice giving the time, place and agenda for such a meeting must be signed by the two Councillors.

Councillor name

Signature

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Debate:-

Cllr. R Robertson explained that he and Cllr. A Robertson had requested a meeting two weeks previously. The request was made of Cllr. B Gosling but there had been no reply, as such Cllr. R Robertson requested this meeting.

Cllr. R Coles explained that the complaints procedure of Council meant that the complaint from residents must be dealt with within a period of two weeks; as such the meeting was called.

All Councillors agreed to go ahead with the meeting.

Signature:

Date:

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C328 COMPLAINTS TO THE COUNCIL

Debate:-

Cllr. R Robertson outlined the complaints before Council he stated that he felt the complaints to be very serious and asked, "How do we take this further?"

Cllr. R Coles stated that the roll of Mayor's Consort was agreed by Council on the understanding that the Consort would abide with the Code of Conduct as prescribed for the Mayor. Cllr. R Coles continued by proposing that as a result of the reported behavior of the Mayor's Consort she be asked to step down from her roll with immediate effect and return her chain of office to Council.

It was confirmed by Cllr. W Botting and Cllr. J Harris that a resolution was made on 16th May 2017 that the Mayor's Consort abides by the Code of Conduct as set out for the Mayor.

C329 RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL

The Council AGREES that Sandra Gosling has breached the Code of Conduct required of her office. Sandra Gosling is to stand down as Mayor's Consort with immediate effect and to return her Chain of Office.

Cllr. R Coles proposed Cllr. L Duhigg seconded

Agreed

Debate:-

Cllr. R Maskell said that he felt the punishment a little harsh, as the Consort had only a month left of her term of office; he agreed that action should be taken and voted in favour of the resolution.

Cllr. D Brindley said that he was concerned that the Mayor's Consort could cause problems for the Council if removed from office

C McBryer explained that Council may allow Mrs. S Gosling to attend events with her husband but that the resolution would prevent her from speaking on behalf of the Council

A discussion was then held in relation to the Mayor and the behavior of other Councillors, Cllr. R Maskell asked that this discussion not be minuted as it had not been shown on the agenda before the meeting

This was agreed.

NEXT MEETING

C330 TO CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Annual Town Meeting 17th April 2018 at 6:00pm - Annual Council Meeting 15th May 2018 at 7:30pm

THE MEETING ENDED AT 7:40pm

Signature:

Date:

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ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING, HELD IN THE ANZAC MEETING ROOM, COMMUNITY HOUSE, MERIDIAN CENTRE, PEACEHAVEN, ON TUESDAY 15TH MAY 2018 AT 7:00PM

TOWN MAYOR - COUNCILLOR BRIAN GOSLING

Council Members: Brian Gosling, Jean Farmiloe, Reg Farmiloe, Jackie Harrison Hicks, Lynda Duhigg, Dave Neave, Rachael Coles, Wayne Botting, Andy Loraine, Andy Smith, Ron Maskell, Job Harris, Daryl Brindley, Ann Harrison, Melvyn Simmons, Amber Robertson

Attended:

Brian Gosling, Jean Farmiloe, Jackie Harrison Hicks, Lynda Duhigg, Dave Neave, Rachael Coles, Wayne Botting, Andy Smith, Ron Maskell, Job Harris, Daryl Brindley, Ann Harrison, Melvyn Simmons, Amber Robertson

Officers:

Claire Lacey (Town Manager), Campbell McBryer (Leisure and Amenities Manager), Tony Lopes (RFO), Debbie Donovan (Civic and Marketing Officer), Matt Gunn (Apprentice)

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairs Announcements May 15th 2018

Welcome to Peacehaven Town Council Annual Council this evening where our primary focus will be to Elect a new Chair of the Council.

The Admin arrangements under General Governance Procedures are detailed in your agendas. We hope it will go according to plan this evening.

Being my last meeting as Chair I wanted to thank everyone who has supported me during this year and to wish the new incoming Mayor every success in their term.

First some basic housekeeping and then the new Chair will provide you with some updates on Council business.

We are not expecting any fire alarms or evacuations this evening, although should the alarm sound, please leave the building by the closest fire door and meet in the South Service Car Park.

This meeting is being recorded for administrative purposes. The procedure on recording meetings is available from the Main Council Office.

This evenings priority announcements are -

Councillor Melvyn Simmons has resigned from the Conservative Party with immediate effect, although he will stay on as an Independent Member to represent his North Ward residents.

