

HORLEY TOWN COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Horley Town Council held at the Albert Rooms, Albert Road, Horley on Tuesday 28 August 2012 at 7.30 pm.

Present: Councillor Richard Olliver – Chairman & Town Mayor
Councillors J Baird, R Bethell, J Chapman,
M George, M Goldsmith, Samantha Marshall,
Simon Marshall, V Marshall, M Miller, M Robinson,
T Schofield, R Sherwin and F Stimpson

Also present: A Jones Town Clerk
C Fenton Deputy Town Clerk

C 3119 Apologies and Reasons for Absence

RESOLVED: that the apologies of Cllrs Austin, Powell and Spratt be accepted, for reasons as specified in the Attendance Register. (Cllr Hagerty was absent.)

RESOLVED: noted.

C 3120 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Miller, Olliver and Simon Marshall declared personal interests in the item about Recognition of Service of Past Chairmen.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 3121 Public Forum

No members of the public were present.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 3122 Ordinary Meeting of the Council, 26 June 2012

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council were presented for confirmation by members and signature by the Chairman of the Council.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 26 June 2012, including all confidential items, be approved.

C 3123 Leisure & Amenities Committee, 29 May 2012

RESOLVED: that the approved minutes of the above meeting of the Leisure & Amenities Committee, including all confidential items, be received.

C 3124 Leisure & Amenities Committee, 10 July 2012

RESOLVED: that the unapproved minutes of the above meeting of the Leisure & Amenities Committee, including all confidential items, be received.

C 3125 Finance & General Purposes Committee, 12 June 2012

RESOLVED: that the approved minutes of the above meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee, including all confidential items, be received.

C 3126 Finance & General Purposes Committee, 31 July 2012

RESOLVED: that the unapproved minutes of the above meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee, including all confidential items, be received.

C 3127 Planning & Development Committee, 19 June 2012

RESOLVED: that the approved minutes of the above meeting of the Planning & Development Committee be received.

C 3128 Planning & Development Committee, 17 July 2012

RESOLVED: that the approved minutes of the above meeting of the Planning & Development Committee be received.

C 3129 Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that he had attended the following:

Reigate & Banstead Civic Service
Crawley Civic Service
High Sheriff's Garden Party
Accompanying the judges for South & South East in Bloom
Informal meeting at St Catherine's Hospice
Member Conduct Training at Reigate Town Hall (Localism Bill)
Visit to Churchyards

RESOLVED: noted.

C 3130 Recognition of Service of Past Chairmen

The Clerk reported that the working group had recently met and was considering that a badge might be created that was based on the current Town Award. Quotations were currently being sought.

RESOLVED: that the matter be re-considered at a future meeting.

C 3131 Town Awards

The Clerk reported that one nomination had been received.

RESOLVED: that a meeting of the Awards Sub-Committee be called.

C 3132 Localisation of Council Tax Support

RESOLVED: that responses to the consultations issued by the Department for Communities and Local Government and Reigate & Banstead Borough Council be considered at the next meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee

Member Conduct under the Localism Act

C 3133 Members agreed that the recent training session held at Reigate Town Hall had been very useful. It was noted that members, when declaring a Pecuniary Interest, would no longer have the right to speak on that matter in the Public Forum part of a meeting.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 3134 ***RESOLVED: that the power point presentation from the training session be distributed to members via e mail and be placed on the intranet.***

C 3135 The Clerk confirmed that details from Members' Notification of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests had now been placed on the Town Council and Borough Council web sites, with any information about spouses / partners removed.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 3136 Strategy and Forward Planning Advisory Group (S&FP Group)

RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of notes of recent meetings. (Copies are appended to these minutes.)

C 3137 Horley Health Check – Residents' Questionnaire

It was noted that an updated version of the questionnaire had been produced which was easier to analyse. Cllr Bethell reported that it had been used at the recent "Meet Your Councillor" session.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 3138 Liaison Meetings with Surrey Police

It was noted that the last meeting had taken place on 13 July, when a large number of opportunist burglaries and car thefts had been reported. Cllr George advised that he had attended the recent open meeting at Reigate Town Hall about the financial challenges facing Surrey Police and options for future policing.

RESOLVED: that the power point presentation from the meeting be forwarded to all members.

C 3139 Environment Matters

Cllr Bethell reported that, following recent meetings, it seemed unlikely that the planned schools' recycled art competition would be Borough-wide, despite significant sponsorship having been pledged by Toyota. Cllr Miller added that

C 3139) no decision had yet been taken by the Borough Council's Executive.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 3140 Horley Edmonds Community Fund – Annual Fund Report

RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the report.

C 3141 Diary Dates

RESOLVED: that future events be noted.

C 3142 Meetings held in August

Cllr Miller requested that, in future years, these be kept to a minimum.

Meeting closed at 8.06 pm.

Date of Next Meeting: 16 October 2012