



MANNINGTREE TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Full Town Council Meeting held at the Masonic Lodge in South Street, Manningtree, CO11 1BG on Thursday 19th January at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Cllr. M. Taylor (Mayor) Cllr. R Stocks (Deputy Mayor) Cllr. B. Brown
Cllr. L. Dunnett Cllr. J. Charlesworth

In attendance: Mrs J Spear (Clerk) and 1 member of the public

01.23.202 To receive and approve any Apologies for Absence

Cllr L. Lay- Flurrie sent her apologies and these were accepted by the Council

01.23.203 To receive any Declarations of Interest

None declared

01.23.204 Minutes of the 15th December 2022 meeting to be approved and signed.

Resolved that the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on the 15th December 2022 are to be approved as a correct record and signed by Cllr. M. Taylor

01.23.205 Public Announcements

- **To Note that Manningtree Town Council have become the 813th Council to sign up to the Civility and Respect Pledge.**
- **2nd February 2023 between 11:00 and 12:30 - TDC Community Safety Drop In**

01.23.206 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and matters of mutual interest

None raised

01.23.207 Reports from the District and County Councils – circulated prior to the meeting.

These are also available on the councils website.

01.23.208 Report from Essex Police

None Received

01.23.209 Progress report from the Clerk

- Red lines on the High Street and the motorcycle space on Quay Street, have chased Cllr Guglielmi but have not heard back.
- Still waiting for the 20 is plenty website wording from the 20 is plenty working group.
- The trees have all now been trimmed through the Town and the feedback has been very good

from the residents.

- £650 has been transferred to Manningtree from Great Bentley for the cost of the clerks CiLca.
- Although we have a price for a tree the Coop are giving away trees, so instead of paying for one we could see if we can get a free tree rather than paying for one.
- Cllrs organised and distributed the salt bags around Manningtree.

01.23.210 Reports from other committees and representatives

a) Street Keepers

Cllr L. Dunnett advised that there is nothing to report as the weather conditions have been so cold, but will be back out next week.

To discuss this coming years, volunteers agreement and objectives.

Resolved - That Cllr L. Dunnett will liaise with the head of the Street Keepers to ensure all volunteer forms are in place and also to attend the March meeting to go through this and anything the Streetkeepers may need for the coming year funding wise.

Action - Clerk and Cllr L. Dunnett

b) Business Chamber

The meeting did not take place. However Cllr R. Stocks did reach out to a contact at Rose builders, who advised they were already doing something that day but can lend staging etc if needed.

c) Dementia Friendly Update

Cllr M. Taylor attended the Tendring Districts Alzheimer's Alliance online, they are happy with the progress made by Manningtree Town Council, we need to be added to the local register (which will be done by them) and we need to update our website with our updates. All Cllrs (except Cllr A. Marsh) have conducted the training.

The next meeting will be on the 24th February for the Manningtree, Mistley, Lawford Group.

d) 20 is Plenty

Cllr A. Marsh and Cllr B. Brown attended a meeting on zoom, to find out what is needed to further progress the proposal. They need to focus on local civil society groups to gain support for it. Two have already been received but others need to be contacted. Further to this a member of the 20 is plenty working group needs to propose this to Mistley and Lawford Parish Councils to garner as much support as possible.

01.23.211 To consider the following planning applications:

APPLICATION NO: 22/02058/FUL

PROPOSAL: Proposed installation of a HT1 Gas Cooler at roof level.

LOCATION: 32 - 34 High Street Manningtree Essex CO11 1AJ

Resolved - The Council have no comment on this planning application.

01.23.212 Planning Decisions:

22/01066/FULHH - 59 South Street Manningtree

Approval - Full

21.12.2022

Delegated Decision Mr Ashe

Proposed alteration, improvement and extension to a Grade II Listed Building, including a new outbuilding to the rear garden to provide off-street parking.

Resolved - This planning decision was noted.

01.23.213 To discuss writing to our MP to ask them to support the Early Day motion to support the civility and Respect Project.

Resolved - All in favour

Action - Clerk

01.23.214 To discuss an update on the school engagement plans - Cllr Brown

Cllr B. Brown advised that there is a meeting at Manningtree High on the 5th February to discuss how best to progress this idea within the school.

01.23.215 Highways/Environment

a) To discuss the purchase of posts for the South Street Green

Resolved - All the council are in favour of the price of the posts provided from Thorogoods. Cllr J. Charlesworth will go and collect them and fit them and then provide the invoices to the clerk for reimbursement. Cllr L. Dunnett pointed out to make sure that the invoices are made out to MTC to ensure VAT can be reclaimed.

Action - Cllr J. Charlesworth

b) To discuss the quote for works to replace the tree at the market place

Resolved - All council in favour that the clerk needs to find out the size of the tree quoted from Environmental Design and if it's a small one find out the price of a larger tree that is more established and then come back to the next meeting. We do not need to look at the Coop trees as they will be too small.

Action - Clerk

c) To discuss the Grit Bins being refilled

Resolved - Cllr M. Taylor and Cllr J. Charlesworth and Cllr L. Dunnett filled the bins up on Monday 16th January, using the salt supplied from the Salt Bag Partnership. Cllr M. Taylor advised that all the bins are now full and with what is left there is enough for three more replenishments.

01.23.216 Beach

a) To discuss the water dispenser for the beach

Resolved - All in favour of applying for the funding, and looking into how and if one could be fitted on the beach.

Action - Clerk

b) To discuss purchasing some spades for the Beach Toy Library.

Resolved - That the council put a post out on the recycling pages and also in the newspaper for spades.

Action - Clerk

01.213.217 To put forward any concerns for the new Police District Commander.

Cllr R. Stocks and Cllr J. Charlesworth will be attending the meeting, on behalf of the Council.

- What has happened to the crime reports that used to be sent over
- Anti-social behaviour around the Marketplace
- what are they doing about the County Lines issues that are going on.
- Feedback on the difference for a 20 is plenty in the area.

Any other questions please forward to Cllr R. Stocks and Cllr J. Charlesworth.

01.23.218 Coronation

a) To agree the date of the Kings Coronation Celebration

Resolved - Cllr M. Taylor proposed the 7th June, all in Favour.

b) To agree the road closure, date, time and roads to be closed

Resolved - Cllr M. Taylor proposed a road closure from 10:00am to 18:00am along the High Street, with the party going on between 12:00 and 18:00pm. From the Bull to Wherry Corner, the only issue that is being foreseen is possibly the bus diversion that may be needed. All in favour of applying for

the road closure.

Action - Clerk

01.23.219 To discuss and appoint the new clerk as recommended by the Personnel committee.

Resolved - Cllr R. Stocks proposed employing the proposed candidate, all in favour.

Action - Personnel Committee

01.23.220 To note the response from our TDC and ECC representatives regarding the letter of December 19th 2022.

Resolved - This has been noted by the Council, Cllr B. Brown wanted to thank the Manningtree Town Council for their support.

01.23.221 Finance

a) To review the monthly financial Bank Reconciliation - as of 30th December 2022 there was a total of £21,185.39 in both bank accounts.

Resolved – The Council has seen this reconciliation and this has been confirmed and signed by the chair.

b) To approve new payments for January, in accordance with the 2022/23 budget – please see attached payment list.

Resolved – Cllr Dunnnett proposed and Cllr Stocks seconded the payments – all in favour.

Action - Clerk

Payments Received:

Bank Interest of £12.74

Noted by the Council

01.23.222 Items from councillors to be added to the next agenda

- Cllr R. Stocks proposed a small event for Pride this year on behalf of Rowan Hunter.
- Defibrillator down by the Beach, possibly at the Fire Station.

01.23.223 To note date and time of the next meeting.

Resolved - That the next council meeting is to be held on the 23rd February 2023.

Due to the location and date change required for the meeting, Rowan and Manshed who are both booked for next months meeting will need to be notified and the Church Hall will need to be booked.

Action - Clerk

There being no further business the chair closed the meeting at 21:02 pm

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