

# MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Monday 26 February 2018 in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Maryport at 7.00pm.

## Present

Councillor S Ashworth	Councillor B Carter
Councillor G Hampson	Councillor Mrs A Kendall (Chairman)
Councillor P Kendall	Councillor P McCarthy
Councillor Mrs C McCarron Holmes	Councillor W Pegram
Councillor Mrs L Radcliffe	Councillor I Tyson
Councillor Mrs J Wood	Councillor M Wood

## In Attendance

P Bramley (Clerk)  
Mrs L Douglas (Clerk)  
Mrs V Patterson (Press)

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, a minute's silence was held in memory of Mr Harry Bennett, former Town Councillor, who had served the town as a member of many organisations in the past, & who had recently died.

### **37/17 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ms N Shaw, Ms S Stamper & Ms C Tindall.

### **38/17 Declarations of Interest**

Declarations of interest were received from P Bramley, Clerk, Item 8, Personal & Prejudicial Interest as an employee of Maryport Town Council, & Mrs L Douglas, Item 8, Personal & Prejudicial Interest as an employee of Maryport Town Council.

### **39/17 Requests for Dispensation**

None received.

### **40/17 Minutes of Meeting held on 11 December 2017**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 11 December 2017 be confirmed as a correct record & signed by the Chairman.

### **41/17 Minutes of Meeting held on 22 January 2018**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 22 January 2018 be confirmed as a correct record & signed by the Chairman.

**42/17 Risk Assessment & Management Review 2017/18**

**Resolved** that the Risk Assessment & Management Review 2017/18 be accepted & the proposals for the management of identified risks & supporting actions be agreed.

**43/17 Review of Effectiveness of Internal Audit 2017/18**

**Resolved** that, taking into account the evidence available & the size of the Council & its range of operations, the Council's arrangements complied with the Accounts & Audit (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2006, & that the Internal Audit Plan be noted.

**44/17 Calendar of Meetings 2018/19**

**Resolved** that the Calendar of Meetings for 2018/19 be agreed as follows:

Monday 9 April	Annual Town Assembly
Monday 23 April	Committees
Monday 14 May	Mayor Making
Monday 11 June	Full Council & Committees
Monday 9 July	Full Council & Planning & Economic Development
Monday 6 August	Committees
Monday 10 September	Committees
Monday 22 October	Budget
Monday 5 November	Committees
Monday 10 December	Full Council and Planning & Economic Development
Monday 28 January	Full Council & Committees
Monday 25 February	Full Council and Planning & Economic Development
Monday 25 March	Committees

**45/17 Maryport Public Realm Feature**

**Resolved** that:

- 1) Progress on the development of a suitable display feature at the southern entrance to Maryport be noted & disappointment be expressed at Cumbria County Council’s delayed approach in advising on the siting of the proposed feature.
- 2) Disappointment be expressed at Cumbria County Council’s recent decision to turn down the feature with the phased mood lighting as provided in a video demonstration, reported as being based on safety with the lights considered likely to cause distraction to road users, particularly when comparing this to flashing & other light displays beside the highway, such as Christmas lighting & Blackpool illuminations.
- 3) It be agreed to continue to negotiate with the County Council on the matter & that the Chairman & Chairman of Finance & General Purposes Committee be authorised to sign a suitable memorandum of agreement.

**46/17**

**Resolved** that the public & press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business by reason of its confidential nature.

**47/17 Council Staff Appraisal**

Note that Mr P Bramley & Mrs L Douglas left the room whilst this item was discussed.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) The continued progress made in Council administrative operations & improvements made in specified areas be noted.
- 2) The Clerks’ salaries be increased by one increment with effect from 1 April 2018 to National Joint Council for Local Government Services Spinal Column Point 34, pro rata.

**48/17 Items for Next Agenda**

None received.

Following the conclusion of the Council Meeting, a meeting of the Planning & Economic Development Committee took place.

Signed .....

Chairman

Date .....