



GILLINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL

FULL COUNCIL

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Dear Sir/Madam

All members of the Gillingham Town Council are summoned to the **Full Council** meeting to be held on **Monday, 27th March 2017**, in The Jubilee Room, Town Hall, School Road, Gillingham, commencing at 7.30pm.

22nd March 2017

Sylvia J Dobie
Town Clerk

Prior to the start of the meeting Members are invited to join the Mayor in the Council Chamber at 7.28pm for an Opening Statement.

All in attendance should be aware that filming, recording, photographing or otherwise being reported about may occur during the meeting. A designated area is set aside for members of the public not actively participating in the meeting where there will be no filming or photographs taken.

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence.
2. To approve the minutes of the Full Town Council meeting held on Monday, 27th February 2017.
3. Questions.
4. Declarations of Interest: Members are required to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, section 27 disclosable pecuniary interests.
5. To receive an application for the Town Ward vacancy (referred from the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 20th March 2017, min no. 221 Matters Pertinent) – copy of letter attached for information.
6. To receive written reports from outside bodies, if available, for consideration and approval:
 - a) Three Rivers Partnership (3RP) and Three Rivers Community Partnership Board of Trustees, the Gillingham Community Leisure Trust (GCLT)
 - b) Community Resource Worker
 - c) Gillingham Neighbourhood Plan Group (Cllr V Potheary)
 - d) Town Meadow Group (Cllr Joyce)

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6. To receive written reports from outside bodies (continued):
 - e) The Blackmore Vale Tourism Company Ltd (Cllr Milsted)
 - f) Gillingham Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Cllr Von Clemens/Cllr Walsh)
 - g) DAPTC (Larger Towns: Cllr Mrs Beckley,)
 - h) Health Forum (Cllr Mrs Beckley)
 - i) Transport Forum (Cllr Mrs Ridout)
7. To receive the following Committee reports for consideration and adoption:
 - a) General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday, 6th March 2017.
 - b) Planning Committee interim meeting held on Monday, 27th February 2017 and Planning Committee meeting held on the Monday, 13th March 2017.
 - c) Staff and Salaries Committee meeting held on Monday, 20th March 2017.
 - d) Policy and Resources Committee meeting held on Monday, 20th March 2017.
8. To confirm the appointment of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for Gillingham for the Council Year 2017/18 as nominations received by the Policy and Resources Committee on Monday 20st March 2017.

Town Mayor

Cllr Mrs Belinda Ridout, proposed by Cllr Mrs Su Hunt, seconded by Cllr Mrs Val Pothercary.

Deputy Mayor

Cllr Mrs Su Hunt, proposed by Cllr Alan Frith, seconded by Cllr David Walsh.

Cllr Roger Monksummers, proposed by Cllr David Milsted, seconded by Cllr Mrs Anne Beckley.

9. To receive an update on the future of Thorngrove (Cllr Von Clemens to lead).
10. To receive an update from the Community Resilience Working Party and consider recommendations contained therein (Cllr Harris to Lead).
11. To receive a report on the Mayor's and Deputy Mayor's activities for the last month.
12. To receive in writing matters pertinent to this meeting. Note: Members are advised that inclusion of any item is at the Chairman's discretion and that 'A Council cannot lawfully decide upon any matter which is not specified in the summons (agenda)'.

Closure.

County Councillor's written reports

District Councillors' written reports

Public Questions

Attached:

- Blackmore Vale Tourism Accounts.
- Town Ward Vacancy. Letter of application
- Mayor's Report
- District Councillor's Report – Cllr Mrs B Ridout

Tabled (or emailed if received prior to the meeting):

- Community Resilience Working Party Report
- County Councillor's Report, if available.
- District Councillors' reports, if available.

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Profit and Loss

From: Month 11, January 2017

To: Month 11, January 2017

Chart of Accounts:

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	<u>Period</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	
Sales			
Grants Received	0.00	2,160.00	
Donations Received	0.00	125.00	
Books	188.96	2,788.37	
Poster space	534.00	3,336.41	
Gifts	132.68	5,411.87	
Map books	37.57	363.95	
Maps	93.17	1,424.52	
Town Map	9.89	591.64	
Stamps	598.88	8,607.00	
Postcards	40.12	1,243.53	
Calenders	30.94	303.71	
Accommodation fees	0.00	38.10	
Booking fees	2.00	178.40	
Commission - Gill Festival	0.00	106.65	
Commission - Cards for good causes	0.00	1,341.46	
Commission - Bus tickets	17.33	310.70	
Commission - Arts Centre	23.43	312.43	
Commission - Steam fair	0.00	274.40	
Commission - Other festivals and events	0.00	1,222.05	
Commission - Paypoint	227.49	2,101.84	
Commission - Salisbury Hospice	81.20	81.20	
Commission - Telecom Plus	1.88	15.12	
Commission-Western Union	0.00	19.56	
Bank interest received	0.18	5.60	
	2,019.72	32,363.51	
Purchases			
Books	411.28	1,681.55	
Gifts	0.00	222.28	
Map books	0.00	426.28	
Maps	351.56	986.39	
Stamps	0.00	5,914.55	
Postcards	84.18	84.18	
Calenders	68.96	399.23	
Cards	113.00	317.48	
Other purchases	829.66	3,823.34	
	1,858.64	13,855.28	
Direct Expenses			
	0.00	0.00	
Gross Profit/(Loss):	<u>161.08</u>	<u>18,508.23</u>	
Overheads			

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Gross Wages	867.50	9,542.50	
Rent and Rates	0.00	338.06	
Heat,Light and Power	143.69	1,114.74	
Travelling	0.00	1,985.00	
Printing and Stationery	188.87	2,387.16	
Professional Fees	280.00	1,913.00	
Office Costs	0.00	270.00	
Maintenance	72.56	965.78	
Credit card charges	5.21	580.29	
General Expenses	64.36	433.02	
		1,622.19	19,529.55
Net Profit/(Loss):	<u>(1,461.11)</u>		<u>(1,021.32)</u>

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15th March 2017

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to apply for the vacant position in the office of Councillor to the town ward of Gillingham, Dorset.

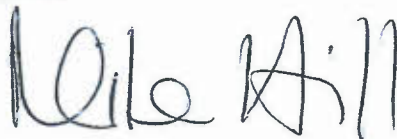
As a resident of Gillingham I feel I can make a positive contribution to the town and its community. I attend regular council meetings and have become familiar with the day to day issues and agenda's that are dealt with. I have at times contributed to discussion as a member of the public and would like to take this a stage further.

Gillingham is a great town that has a well run local Council, I would like to be part of that team and help to continue its good work.

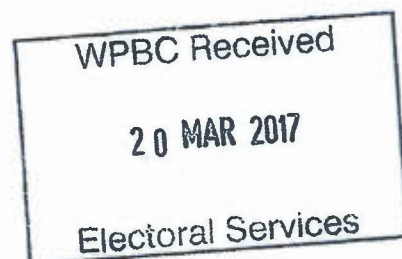
If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,



Mick Hill.



Gillingham Town Council

Mayor's Report

22nd February – 20th March 2017

Date	Event	Comments
26 Feb	Verwood Civic Service	A beautiful service with tea & cake to follow with a chance to see one of Verwood's lovely churches.
27 Feb	Tree Planting at Upper Lodden	I joined the Town Council's ground staff, pupils from Gillingham School, Mrs Lyons and the rangers to celebrate the completion of the avenue of trees marking the 500 th year of Gillingham School
3 rd Mar	Hall & Woodhouse Community Chest	The launch event of this fabulous example of how local business gives back to the local community every year.
3 rd Mar	Talkaoke	I popped in to hear local resident's views and ideas on how we can use our local libraries and their spaces to promote the arts at a local level.
9 th Mar	Dementia Friends Meeting	As Chairman of this group and Mayor, I was proud to hear how the work of our Dementia Champions has progressed and their plans to make our town a 'Dementia Friendly Town'. A huge well done to everyone who has worked so hard.
11 th Mar	Girl Guiding Celebration (Deputy Mayor Attended)	Attended with my lifelong friend – Wendy Higgins – both Brownies at Bourton 1 st Pack in our day. Nice to see what modern Brownies and Guides get up to. Very welcoming reception and inspiring talk by Avril Owton, ex Tiller Girl who transformed a Hampshire hotel and led her to be crowned Businesswoman of the year.
11 th Mar	Mayors Dinner Dance	A lovely evening and a massive thank you to all our wonderful local businesses who supported the event to raise money for my Mayors fund. The proceeds will go to North Dorset Rugby Club to help with the fabulous work they do with young people.
17 th Mar	Carnival Committee AGM	Great to hear how well everything is going with our wonderful carnival and I would like to wish them all the best for Carnival 2017

Wednesday, 1st March 2017 – Overview & Scrutiny Committee, Blandford

A presentation was given on the role of the Community Safety & Protection Officer and an overview of community safety in North Dorset. The Officer advised that Local Authorities were no longer given crime figures from the Police. It was reported that there had been a slight decrease in crime from last year and that Dorset had a low crime rate, second lowest in terms of incidents per thousand of population. The Officer provided detailed responses to 12 questions provided prior to the meeting and these can be found in the minutes of the meeting on dorsetforyou.

With regard to rural crime, there are three relevant initiatives with a focus on rural crime: the re-organisation of policing in North Dorset to create a Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team; a dedicated Force Wide Rural Crime Team launched in August 2016 and a Community Safety Rural Crime Initiative. The Officer described the Dorset Police Rural Crime Team by quoting the Police and Crime Commissioner, who said:

“The Rural Crime Team will consist of a dedicated rural crime team coordinator, a rural engagement officer and a rural crime analyst. It will also include nominated officers who will act as points of contact for each of Dorset’s five rural sections: Bridport, Dorchester and Sherborne, Purbeck, East Dorset and North Dorset. I know, from the many rural residents and business owners I have met in Dorset, that the fear of crime is high in rural areas. I also know the severe impact rural crime has on victims and their livelihoods. Introducing a dedicated team will ensure that more proactive work is done to target this type of criminality, and that we can make people living and working in Dorset’s many rural areas feel safe. It also introduces consistency across intelligence, investigation and crime prevention.”

The Community Safety Rural Crime Initiative was set up by Community Safety Officers in the County. It is co-ordinated by Purbeck’s Community Safety Officer and focuses on poaching. The group says its work addresses 3 key aims:

- To improve the intelligence we have on Poaching, specifically regarding Victim, Offender and Location, and establish clear mechanisms for information sharing between agencies;
- To identify and engage with key voluntary and community groups to enhance existing partnership working; and
- To identify key messages for dissemination internally and externally to raise awareness of Poaching, enhancing reporting and intelligence gathering.

13th March – Joint Advisory Overview & Scrutiny Committee, Dorchester

Only the second meeting of this new joint committee which has a role in **performance monitoring** of the three council’s services, corporate priorities and finances. The agenda included the review of business review quarter 3, 2016/17 report, as previously considered by Cabinet, Executive Committee and Management Committee of the Dorset Council Partnership. Members were asked to identify specific service areas which may require further scrutiny with the potential to invite the relevant portfolio/brief holders to future meetings of the committee to discuss service performance and to determine whether any specific areas within the report warrant further consideration through a scrutiny review.

The **Draft Forward Work Plan** was discussed. Three topics have been chosen for current scrutiny include Planning Enforcement, Access to Services and IT Resilience.

- A working party met with the three portfolio holders for Planning on 15th March, to discuss Enforcement issues and the new DCP Planning Enforcement policy. To report to the next JAO&SC meeting.
- A working party, including myself, is to meet next week to discuss a scoping document for Access to Services (physical access to services).
- The committee considered an Outcomes based Joint Scrutiny Report on IT resilience conducted by members of the JAO&SC. The baseline for this report came from the committee's question for the need to "merge" ICT functions and aspirations before any Unitary Council was formed. The County Council was seen as moving forward to more advanced technological solutions such as Office 365 and 'cloud based' backup systems. The purpose of the report was to have an understanding of the work taking place within the DCP to achieve integrated systems compatible with future needs; looking at areas, particularly 'cloud based', of operations in a Unitary Council environment. How do current aspirations match County Council aspirations and other potential partners? Are we ready for unitary? The conclusion was that there are a number of streams being tested towards Office 365 and other 'cloud based' applications. The working party was satisfied that the Head of Service was ahead of the curve, and up to date with changes and that no further action was required. ICT will be presenting their Digital Strategy to the JAO&SC in 6 months' time.

Tuesday, 21st – Planning Committee – Blandford

Nothing of relevance to Gillingham with regard to applications. Appeals lodged between 20th February 2017 and 10th March 2017 included application no. 2/2016/1031/HOUSE, Mr M Hooper, Erect single storey rear extension. Rivers Meet, High Street, Gillingham. The application was refused under delegated powers at North due to the future impact of the development on the health of a Horse Chestnut tree.

This was a historic and quite sad meeting for two reasons: the last meeting of the NDDC Planning Committee at Nordon, Blandford (future meetings to be held at Durweston Village Hall) and Cllr David Milsted's last planning meeting, ever, for North Dorset and I take this opportunity to wish David and Annie all the very best in Orkney. We shall certainly miss David's knowledge and debate on the planning committee.

Community Transport Day – 6th April, 10am – 3pm at the Town Hall, Gillingham

North Dorset Community Transport operators, Car Link Schemes, Age Concern, Wheels2Work, plus others yet to confirm will be in attendance. Please encourage anyone you know who might benefit from this to come along or arrange to bring them along. This applies to all ages and anyone who now finds it difficult to get transport to nearby towns to access services, to get to work or further education/training, as a result of the recent withdrawal of public bus services by DCC. We need everyone's views so that we can progress forward with new/replacement routes run by community transport operators.

Agendas and minutes for all meetings are available at www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk