

COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday 15th January 2018

Present: Cllrs Shaw, J. Bayford, B. Bayford, J. Buckley, Binks, Hayton, Matterface, Parsons, D. Saunders, M. Saunders, Savage, Taylor-Smith

Town Clerk: Danielle Dunn

330 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Leys, Cllr Dexter, Cllr Moore

331 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Matterface declared an interest in Min 336- as a Trustee of the CT10 Parochial Charities Culmer's Amenity Land is in the ownership of the charity.

332 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED to APPROVE and Chair to SIGN the minutes of the meeting held on the 13th December 2017, proposed Cllr D. Saunders, second Cllr B. Bayford, agreed

333 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

RESOLVED to RECEIVE the minutes of the Planning Committee Meetings held on the 11th December 2017 (confirmed), 8th January (unconfirmed) RESOLVED to RECEIVE the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 13th November 2017 (unconfirmed). proposed Cllr M. Saunders, second Cllr J. Bayford, agreed

334 QUESTIONS

None

335 COMMUNICATIONS

DISCUSSED The Town Clerk set before the Council the ongoing issues with the roof at Pierremont Hall. This included that all of the lead had been stolen in recent weeks, the police had been informed but unfortunately could not identify the perpetrators

TDC had sent contractors to carryout emergency repairs and were looking into repairing the roof through insurance, the option of replacing the led with a composite lookalike product was set out by TDC as an option. The Community Buildings and Assets sub-committee had met on Friday 12th January 2018 to discuss the implications of the loss of the roof on the building purchase, the minutes would be available for the 29th January F&GP.

336 CULMER'S AMENITY LAND AND LOCAL GREEN SPACE (LGS) DESIGNATION

PRESENTATION Cllr Matterface provided a three-minute presentation regarding the role of the CT10 Charities, the Charities history and how the potential of a Local Green Space Designation could disrupt the future ability of the charity to provide for the poor in the CT10 postcode area. Cllr Matterface explained that following guidance from the Charities Commission that the work for the charity should take precedence over her role as Town Councillor. It was explained that the CT10 Charities had taken legal advice and would challenge the future TDC Local Plan should the Culmer's Amenity Land remain in.

DISCUSSION A lengthy discussion was held regarding why the Culmer's Amenity Land had originally been put forward by the Town Council. It was set out that this was because the Town Council had a duty to the residents of the Town and wanted to safeguard greenspaces for the residents and future generations. It was also DISCUSSED that the current rental income from the land and the CT10 allotments provided enough rental income for the CT10 Charities to carry out their charitable work. The Town Clerk explained that the Town Council's lease of the Culmer's Amenity Land, which would extend to 2033 once signed, would be beyond the designation of the LGS which would end in 2031, the end of the Local Plan period.

PROPOSAL- Cllr B. Bayford, seconded Cllr Hayton
To keep the Culmer's Amenity Land as a Local Green Space in the Thanet
Local Plan. AGREED by UNANIMOUS vote

RESOLVED that the Town Council would not withdraw the Culmer's Amenity land from inclusion in the publication Thanet Local Plan

337 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

29th January 2018 following the F&GP meeting

Meeting closed at 7:02pm Town Clerk