

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Town Council held at the Town Hall, Rye, on Monday 10 May 2010

PRESENT Councillors Granville Bantick, John Breeds (**Mayor**), Brian Elliott, Lorna Hall (**Deputy Mayor**), Sonia Holmes, Jo Kirkham, Paul Osborne, Frank Palmer, Ian Potter, Shaun Rogers, David Russell, Mary Smith, David Wright

IN ATTENDANCE Richard Farhall - Town Clerk; 5 members of the public

The meeting commenced at 6.30

14 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence – and the reason for it (as notified to the Clerk) - were accepted from Cllr Sam Souster,

15 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Cllr Sonia Holmes *personal* **item 27** Communicated with applicant as a RDC Member

Cllr David Russell *personal* **item 27** Communicated with applicant as a RDC Member

16 COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED To adopt the Minutes of the Council meetings held on: 29 March 2010 (C10), 12 April 2010 (C11) and 3 May 2010 (C1 – Mayor Making).

17 COMMITTEE MINUTES

(a) Planning & Townscape

RESOLVED To adopt the Minutes of the meetings of the Planning & Townscape Committee held on 29 March 2010 (PT23), 12 April 2010 (PT24) and 26 April 2010 (PT25).

(b) Policy, Resources & GP

RESOLVED To adopt the Minutes of the meeting of the Policy, Resources & GP Committee held on 12 April 2010 (PR05).

(c) Leisure & Tourism

RESOLVED To adopt the Minutes of the meeting of the Leisure & Tourism Committee held on 26 April 2010 (LT05).

18 RECORD OF ATTENDANCES

RESOLVED To receive and note the Record of Attendances for 2009-10 (as at 26.4.10) (Appendix B).

19 MEETINGS START TIME

RESOLVED That Rye Town Council's usual meeting start time should remain at 6.30pm.

20 COMMITTEE FORMATION

- a) Number and title of Committees and number of Members appointed to each Committee

RESOLVED 1 That the Committees following be confirmed:

- (i) Policy, Resources & GP
- (ii) Planning & Townscape
- (iii) Public Services

Whilst Members recognised the great importance of tourism to the local economy it was felt that most of the activity in this area – including resource allocation – took place outside of the Council, particularly through the Rye Marketing Group (which RTC is a member of and partly funds).

RESOLVED 2 To assimilate the work of the Leisure & Tourism Committee into meetings of the full Council.

- b) Members appointed to Committees

RESOLVED Appointment of Members to Committees as specified in Appendix C.

*The meeting adjourned and each Committee convened and appointed Chairmen (see **Appendix C**).*

The Public Services Committee resolved to consider the appointment of a Vice Chairman at its next meeting.

The meeting reconvened.

21 COUNCIL REPRESENTATION TO ORGANISATIONS

RESOLVED The appointment of representatives as recorded at Appendix D.

22 FIXED TERM/DETERMINED REPRESENTATION

RESOLVED The appointment of representatives as recorded at Appendix D.

23 RYE RELIEF IN NEED

RESOLVED To amend the *Terms of Reference for Council and Committees* so that Rye Relief in Need business is considered at separate (non public) meetings of the corporate trustee (The Council), as and when necessary. Clerk

24 EVENTS

- a) Rother Annual Parish Conference, Brede Village Hall, Thursday 24 June, 1.45-4.45

Members were invited consider appointing up to four representatives.

RESOLVED To appoint Cllrs Hall and Palmer.

Clerk

b) Transport & Environment Annual Parish/Town Councils Meeting, Uckfield Civic Centre, Friday 23 July, all day

Members were invited to consider appointing up to two representatives.

RESOLVED To appoint Cllr Smith.

Clerk

25 URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items to consider.

26 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 (1)(2): to exclude the public and press from the item following on the grounds that it includes personal financial information.

27 RYE RELIEF IN NEED APPLICATION

Members considered an application from Mr E for a contribution of £3,000 towards the preservation of the exterior of his home.

Confidential – not included (see Appendix A)

The meeting ended at 7.55.

Date Chairman

RYE TOWN COUNCIL**APPENDIX B****C2 ITEM 18****RECORD OF ATTENDANCES 2009-10**

(to 26 April 2010)

Name	Policy 5	Planning 25	L&T 5	Public 3	Council 11
Bantick	3	N/A	3	N/A	11
Breeds John	5	23	5	N/A	10
Breeds Jonathan	1	8	N/A	N/A	4
Elliott	N/A	N/A	2	2	6
Fiddimore	N/A	19	4	N/A	9
Hall	5	N/A	5	N/A	10
Holmes	5	N/A	4	3	8
Kirkham	4	22	N/A	N/A	11
Osborne	5	17	N/A	N/A	10
Palmer	5	21	N/A	N/A	9
Potter	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	5
Rogers	4	17	N/A	N/A	8
Russell	5	N/A	3	N/A	11
Smith	N/A	N/A	5	3	10
Souster	4	16	3	1	10
Wright	4	19	N/A	N/A	9

APPENDIX C

Rye Town Council

Committee Membership 2010-11

Policy (13)	Planning (9)	Public Services (5 + co-opted)
Potter (Ch)	Palmer (Ch)	Smith (Ch)
Osborne(VC)	Wright (VC)	<i>vacant</i> (VC)
Bantick	Breeds, John	Breeds, John
Breeds, John	Breeds, Jonathan	Elliott
Fiddimore	Fiddimore	Hall
Hall	Hall	Holmes
Holmes	Kirkham	
Kirkham	Osborne	
Palmer	Rogers	
Rogers		
Russell		
Souster		
Wright		

as at 10.5.10

**OTHER ORGANISATIONS/COMMITTEES:
COUNCIL REPRESENTATION 2010-11**

Organisation/Committee	Representative
Action in Rural Sussex	(Clerk)
Age Concern	Paul Osborne
Chamber of Commerce	Brian Elliott
Community Centre Association	John Izod*
Defend Our Coasts	Granville Bantick
East Sussex Community Rail Partnership	Mary Smith
East Sussex CC Liaison Committee (SLR)	Clerk, Granville Bantick, Paul Osborne, Frank Palmer, Sam Souster
Fair Trade Steering Group	Mary Smith
Marsh Link Action Group	Mary Smith [sub:Bernardine Fiddimore]
Rother Assoc of Local Councils	Mary Smith, John Breeds [sub: Clerk]
Rother Crime & Anti Social Behaviour Meeting	Brian Elliott
Rother DC Liaison Committee	Granville Bantick, Jo Kirkham, Frank Palmer, Sam Souster, David Wright; Clerk
Rye & District Council for Voluntary Service	(Jo Kirkham, Ian Potter)
Rye Farmers Market	Lorna Hall
Rye Fund - Local Panel	(Clerk)
Rye Harbour Nature Reserve Management Committee	Frank Palmer
Rye HotCats	Brian Elliott
Rye in Bloom <i>[officially inactive]</i>	Bernardine Fiddimore
Rye Local Action Team	Sonia Holmes
Rye Low Carbon Group	Ian Potter, Clerk
Rye Marketing Group (Partnership)	Lorna Hall, David Wright [sub: Sam Souster]
Rye Network	(Jo Kirkham)
Rye Partnership Members' Meetings	John Breeds, Shaun Rogers, <i>vacancy</i>
Safer Rother Partnership	Sonia Holmes [sub: Brian Elliott]
Sports Hall Management Committee	Sam Souster [sub: John Breeds]
Sussex Assoc of Parish & Town Councils Executive Committee	(Clerk)

FIXED TERM/DETERMINED REPRESENTATION

Organisation/Committee	Representative/s
Cinque Ports Confederation Standing Committee	The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Clerk
Harbour of Rye Advisory Committee (HORAC)	Sam Souster (30/09/12)
Rye Art Gallery	John Breeds (5/2010 – and continuing)
Rye Grammar School Exhibition Foundation Governors	Jo Kirkham, Frank Palmer and the Mayor

Notes () = appointed independently but Councillor/Clerk has offered to report anything of interest to the Council.

* Non-Councillor appointed by Council