

**To ALL MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**

You are hereby summoned to attend an Additional Meeting of **Rye Town Council** to be held on **Monday 19 April 2021, 6.30pm**.

**The meeting will be held via the Zoom video conferencing platform. Members of the public wishing to attend should request the joining details by emailing [townhall@ryetowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:townhall@ryetowncouncil.gov.uk) no later than noon on the day of the meeting and provide their name and Zoom user name (if different – and if known).**

It is proposed to transact the business set out below:

<i>Chairman/Mayor</i>	Councillor Rebekah Gilbert, Speaker of the Cinque Ports
<i>Host</i>	Richard Farhall, Town Clerk
<i>Co-Host</i>	Jessica Neame, Deputy Town Clerk

**85 APOLOGIES**

To accept any apologies for absence.

**86 CODE OF CONDUCT**

To receive any declarations of interest required under the Council's Code of Conduct – and to consider any written applications made by Members to the Clerk for a dispensation to allow them to participate in, and vote on, an agenda item for which they have a Disclosable Interest.

**87 COUNCIL MINUTES**

To approve and to authorise the Chairman to sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2021 (C12).

*The Mayor to adjourn the meeting for an update from the Rye Heritage Centre CIO.*

**88 K6 KIOSKS**

To consider whether to apply to adopt the kiosks (for £1 each) at the bottom of Conduit Hill and Mermaid Street. **Clerk**

*Note If RTC is unwilling - and no-one else can be found - the HC CIO has expressed an interest in adopting one/both.*

**89 REMOTE MEETINGS**

To note that the Government has announced that it will not make Parliamentary time available to extend the regulations allowing local authorities to meet remotely after 6 May 2021 and to consider whether to submit a 'corporate' response to the *Local Authority Remote Meetings: Call for Evidence* consultation (deadline: 16.6.21).

*Note The outcome of a legal challenge (which, if successful, would allow remote meetings to continue) is expected by the end of April. If this fails, Council will be invited to consider how to proceed from 7.5.21.*

**90 PLANNING & TOWNSCAPE COMMITTEE**

To consider appointing Cllr Fiddimore to the Committee. **Clerk**

**91 RYE BLOOMS 2021**

**a)** To note that, in support of this initiative, Heringtons has arranged for the public bench outside its premises to be refurbished and has offered £100 towards the cost of replacing the adjacent litter bin.

**b)** To consider purchasing a replacement black & gold, pyramid-topped Derby litter bin at a cost of £194 + VAT (after the deduction of a gift of £100 from Heringtons) –

on the basis that RDC would, in accordance with its current practice, install it without a charge.  
**Clerk**

**92 RESERVES**

To consider adopting the Draft Reserves policy.

Notes

- a) The Accountability & Governance Practitioner's Guide requires a council to have adopted a reserves policy.
- b) As at 1.4.21 RTC's (proposed) ideal General Reserve level was c£62,000 – however, the estimated level was c£18,500.

**Clerk**

**93 CONFEDERATION OF THE CINQUE PORTS**

**a) Speakership**

To note that a proposal has been that Rye be permitted to hold the Speakership for another year (21 May 2021-21 May 2022 – and to consider whether RTC would be minded to accept (assuming there was sufficient support within the Confederation).

**Clerk**

**b) Face covering**

To consider whether to express an interest in purchasing a quantity of the covering proposed.

**Clerk**

**94 LANDGATE TOWER**

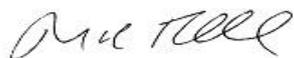
To consider RTC's preferences for it in the short, medium and long term.

**Mayor**

**ROBES WILL NOT BE WORN**

**Supporting/Associated documents distributed with this agenda**

<b>87</b> Minutes	<b>89</b> Consultation	<b>91</b> Photograph of existing bin	<b>92</b> Draft policy
<b>93a)</b> Letter from C Barkshire-Jones and R Cowan	<b>93b)</b> Letter; proof		



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