

**MINUTES**  
of  
**An Especial Meeting of New Romney Town Council**  
**Held in the Assembly Rooms, New Romney,**  
**on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024**  
**Commencing at 6.45pm**

**PRESENT:** The Right Worshipful the Mayor of New Romney and Speaker of the Cinque Ports, Councillor John Rivers

**Town Ward:**

**Councillors:** J Davies, J Rivers, P Carey

**Coast Ward:**

**Councillors:** P Coe, K Terry and S O'Hare

**In Attendance:**

Town Clerk	-	Mrs C Newcombe
Members of Public	-	1

**IN THE CHAIR**

The Town Mayor – Councillor J Rivers

The business of the Council commenced @ **6.45PM**

551/2023-24 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and noted, as follows:

Councillor Hiscock	-	Who was unwell
Councillor Hodges	-	For personal reasons
Councillor Thomas	-	Who was attending a District Council Budget Meeting

NB: Apologies were subsequently also received from Councillor Rev Cn McLachlan for personal reasons.

552/2023-24 **DISPENSATION TO PARTICIPATE**

It was reported that no new applications for Dispensation to Participate had been received.

553/2023-24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

554/2023-24 **NEW ROMNEY BEACON**

Having duly considered proposed designs and associated costings for the replacement beacon at The Greens, Littlestone, it was:

(i)

**PROPOSED BY:** Councillor Rivers

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Coe

**RESOLVED – that the option of a stainless steel (grade 316) basket (dimensions 1.2 metres high x 1.3 metres top diameter and 1.0 metre base diameter) with 3.6 metre hot dipped, galvanised mild steel post, decorated with alternating Cinque Ports Crests and New Romney Ships and inclusive of installation of the replacement beacon and removal and disposal of the existing beacon, be hereby approved.**

(ii)

**PROPOSED BY:** Councillor Terry

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor O'Hare

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY – that the total cost, in the amount of £7,973.00, be funded from the Play and Miscellaneous Equipment Reserve Fund and the Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) be authorised to settle the relevant invoice, when received, having first ascertained that all is in order.**

The Chairman thanked the Councillors and Clerk for their attendance and the meeting then concluded @ **7.01PM**.

NB: All documents referred to herein are available at the Town Hall for perusal on request, except for those documents of a sensitive / legal nature discussed in private session, including documents relating to staff matters which remain Private and Confidential in accordance with Data Protection legislation.

Minutes prepared by the Town Clerk