

**MINUTES**  
**of**  
**An Especial Meeting of New Romney Town Council**  
**Held in the Council Chamber, New Romney**  
**on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025**  
**Commencing at 6.45pm**

**PRESENT:** The Right Worshipful the Mayor of New Romney,  
Councillor John Rivers

**Town Ward:**  
**Councillors:** J Davies, P Carey, L Phillips, S Hodges

**Coast Ward:**  
**Councillors:** P Coe, P Thomas, J Hiscock, S O'Hare, K Terry and  
P Peacock

**In Attendance:**  
Town Clerk - Mrs C Newcombe

**IN THE CHAIR**  
The Mayor – Councillor J Rivers

**642/2024-25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received and noted, as below:

Councillor Rev Cn S McLachlan	-	for personal reasons
Councillor W D Wimble	-	for personal reasons

**643/2024-25 DISPENSATION TO PARTICIPATE**

No new applications for Dispensation to Participate had been processed by the Town Clerk.

**644/2024-25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**645/2023-24 CIL FUNDS ALLOCATION**

Having duly considered the need for funding for furniture, furnishings and fittings as well as an exterior area of rubber crumb surface for completion and delivery of the new Maude Community Centre to a standard befitting of this brand new community facility, and having duly noted that the Town Council is currently holding CIL funding in the total amount of £30,921.04, which is to be used to benefit the community, it was:

**PROPOSED BY:** Councillor Thomas  
**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Peacock

**RESOLVED – that £30,000.00 of CIL funding shall be allocated to the Maude Community Centre Project.**

Councillor Carey abstained from voting and requested that his abstention be recorded.

646/2023-24 **TEMPORARY PARKING PROVISION**

**@7.04PM** two members of public left the meeting.

Having duly considered the impact on the local community and local organisations in respect of the imminent closure of Coast Road Car Park whilst delivery of the FHDC Coastal Destination Project is in progress, it was:

**PROPOSED BY:** Councillor Rivers

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Hiscock

**RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY – that New Romney Town Council shall offer Folkestone & Hythe District Council, in principle, use of a designated area of The Greens, Littlestone, for temporary parking provision whilst the District Council beach hut project works are being carried out, subject to identified\* protective clauses being applied to any agreement.**

Protective clauses to be applied to any agreement with FHDC in respect of temporary parking provision on The Greens, are as below

- 1) A height barrier to be installed in the perimeter line (currently bollard and rail) of The Greens adjacent the car park entry road, together with security fencing or concrete blocks to partition off the designated parking area. This must be undertaken at FHDC cost.
- 2) The area to be fully reinstated by FHDC and at FHDC cost. once the area is no longer required
- 3) FHDC – with the support of NRTC – must seek and obtain any consent required from Natural England due to the SSSI status of The Greens.
- 4) It will not be possible for NRTC to install and police a payment kiosk / ticketing facility, so the Town Council should consider requesting a compensatory sum to be payable in advance to NRTC for temporary parking provision (Sum to be agreed) or installation of ticket machine and policing of payment to be undertaken at FHDC cost and all ticket proceeds payable to NRTC.
- 5) The Town Council should consider the additional protection of a legal agreement being drafted to identify all conditions of temporary provision (to be prepared by NRTC solicitor at FHDC cost)

The Chairman thanked the Councillors and Clerk for their attendance and the meeting then concluded **@ 7.50PM.**

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

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