

LYME REGIS TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26 JULY 2017

Present

Chairman: The Mayor, Cllr Mrs M. Ellis

Councillors: Cllr J. Broom, Cllr R. Doney, Cllr D. Hallett, Cllr P. Hicks, Cllr B. Larcombe, Cllr S. Larcombe, Cllr O. Lovell, Cllr S. Miller, Cllr Mrs C. Reynolds, Cllr J. Scowen, Cllr S. Williams

Officers: Mr M. Green (deputy town clerk), Mrs A. Mullins (administrative officer)

17/49/C Public Forum

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

17/50/C Apologies for Absence

Cllr G. Turner

17/51/C Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were none.

17/52/C Dispensations

There was no grant of dispensations made by the town clerk in relation to the business of this meeting.

17/53/C Appointment of a Park and Ride Operator

Proposed by Cllr S. Miller and seconded by Cllr Mrs C. Reynolds, members **RESOLVED** that under Section 1, Paragraph 2 of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for this item of business as it included confidential information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person within the meaning of paragraphs 1 and 8 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (see Section 1 and Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985), as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

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17/55/C Exempt Business

(a) Appointment of a Park and Ride Operator

The deputy town clerk updated members following further discussions with the bus operator, First Group. He said First had indicated it no longer required the council to underwrite the costs of the service. Until this was confirmed, the deputy town clerk asked members to retain the option to use the £20,000 budgeted for the provision of park and ride.

The deputy town clerk said First would be using double deckers, as they were the only vehicles available due to commitments to other contracts.

There was general agreement that double deckers were not ideal, but if this was all that was available, it was preferable to no service at all. It was agreed discussions could take place with First if problems arose regarding double deckers meeting in Church Street.

In response to a member question, the deputy town clerk said any possibility of extending the service beyond 3 September 2017, as proposed, would need to be discussed with First.

Proposed by Cllr S. Miller and seconded by Cllr Mrs C. Reynolds, members **RESOLVED** to approve a proposal from First Group to operate a summer park and ride service for Lyme Regis for the period to 3 September 2017, and for the council to underwrite the service up to £5,000.

(b) Member Complaints' Panel

Proposed by Cllr S. Miller and seconded by Cllr S. Williams, members **RESOLVED** to endorse the finding of the member complaints' panel constituted to consider four complaints relating to charges for the parking of vehicles on Monmouth (Western) Beach levied on the owners of the 11 new chalets in that location, and agreed that the sum of £500 is deducted from the 2017 site licence fee for all 11 chalet owners.

The meeting closed at 7.13pm.