



FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

A

Minutes Council

Time and date

7.00pm on Thursday 3 June 2010

Place

The Council Chamber, South Street, Farnham

- * Cllr J Ward (Town Mayor)
- * Cllr G Hargreaves (Deputy Town Mayor)
- o Cllr D Attfield
- * Cllr G Beel
- * Cllr C Cockburn
- * Cllr V Duckett
- o Cllr (Mrs) P Frost
- o Cllr R Frost
- * Cllr L Fleming
- * Cllr C Genziani
- * Cllr S Hill
- o Cllr D Le Gal
- o Cllr A Lovell
- * Cllr J Maines
- * Cllr S O'Grady
- o Cllr R Steel
- * Cllr C Storey
- Cllr A Thorp

- * Present
- o Apologies for absence

Officers Present:

Roland Potter (Town Clerk)

Wendy Coulter (Members and Committee Services Co-ordinator) (recorded minutes of meeting).

Ginny Gordon (Town Clerk's Secretary)

The proceedings of the meeting of Farnham Town Council held on Thursday 3rd June 2010 were digitally recorded.

QUESTIONS BY THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from the Public.

C 015/10 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D Attfield, Mrs P Frost, R Frost, D Le Gal, A Lovell and R Steel.

C 016/10 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Farnham Town Council Meetings held on Thursday 11 March 2010 and 13 May 2010 and the minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting were signed by the Town Mayor as a correct record.

C 017/10 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Name of Councillor	Agenda/Minute Number	Subject	Type of Interest	Reason
J Maines	Agenda Item7	Grant Applications – 40 Degreez	Personal/ Prejudicial	Chairman of Trustees
V Duckett	Agenda Item 7	Grant Applications – 40 Degreez	Personal	Partner of Chairman of Trustees

C 018/10 STATEMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

There were no statements by the public.

C 019/10 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Mayor gave an update on the events that he had attended since the last meeting.

Since attending the Rowledge School Trim Trail he had been voted Surrey's fittest mayor!

He attended the British Legion where he had presented Long Service Awards.

The Mayor also informed Members that he had attended a ceremony in Belgium. He had been invited by the Farnham Branch of the Queens Association. The Village in Belgium had been decked out in Union Flags. They had attended Mass, laid wreaths and taken a Salute.

The Farnham in Bloom had a successful launch and many people had commented on how much they had enjoyed it.

The Mayor reminded Members that the Civic Service would take place on Sunday 13 June 2010 at 2.30pm in St Peter's Church, Wrecclesham.

The Festival of Transport would take place on Saturday 12 June 2010.

Part 1 – Items for Decision

C 020/10 FARNHAM DESIGN STATEMENT

Members received the Final Version of the Farnham Design Statement, which was introduced by the Town Mayor.

The Mayor thanked Councillors Cockburn and Steel for all the time and effort that they had put into the project and explained that the document had gone through extensive consultation with input from the members of public of Farnham. The Mayor explained how important the Design Statement was, as during a recent planning application for the development of the East Street site, the Waverley Borough Council Planning Officers referred to the Design Statement whilst it was still a Draft Document.

The Mayor asked Councillor Cockburn to explain the process and document to the Council.

Councillor Cockburn thanked all the Organisations who helped to put the document together. She explained that the document came entirely from the Residents of Farnham, through Residents Associations and the exhibitions.

The exhibitions helped to provide further comments and input from the public.

The whole point of the Design Statement was that it must be the Residents desires.

Councillor Cockburn explained that the intention was that no one would need to read the document from beginning to end, but that planning inspectors would use it for the specific area they were considering and perhaps read the introduction.

Councillor Cockburn explained that the document was not divided into political wards as the Residents, who provided the information and wording, were not split by political wards.

The map at the front of the document showed, roughly, how the residents had divided up the area of Farnham.

Councillor Cockburn thanked the Local Organisations again, the Officers of the Town Council and the Officers of Waverley Borough Council, who had been very supportive and helpful.

She explained that if the Town Council adopted the document it could then be submitted to Waverley Borough Council who would be asked to adopt it formally as Material Planning Consideration and it would then give Farnham more protection in the future.

She hoped that the Town Council would use every opportunity to use the document especially when submitting observations on planning applications.

Resolved:

- 1. That the Farnham Design Statement be adopted – (attached to record minutes).**
- 2. To recommend the Farnham Design Statement to Waverley Borough Council, the Planning Authority for adoption as Material Planning Guidance.**

C 021/10 GRANT APPLICATIONS

Members were asked to consider grant applications from:

- 40 Degreez
- Surrey Youth Focus
- Hale Carnival

At 7.15 pm Councillor Maines withdrew from the meeting whilst the 40 Degreez grant application was considered having declared a prejudicial interest.

Members discussed the grant applications and it was agreed that 40 Degreez should be awarded £250 for the Summer Activities.

AT 7.21 pm Councillor Maines returned to the meeting.

Members considered an application from Surrey Youth Focus. However as only 10% of the membership lived in Farnham it was agreed that only 10% of the grant should be awarded totalling £250.

Members considered the grant application from the Hale Carnival separately as it was funded from another budget. It was agreed that in line with the Community Grants already awarded for 2010/2011, the grant to Hale Carnival should be reduced by 20%, therefore it was agreed that funding would be awarded for the marquee (£1010) and the insurance (£200).

Resolved:

That the following grants be awarded:

- 1. 40 Degreez - £250 towards Summer Activities**
- 2. Surrey Youth Focus - £250 towards Celebration of Youth 2010**
- 3. Hale Carnival - £1210 towards a marquee and insurance for the Hale Carnival 2010.**

Part 2 – Items Noted

C 022/10 **RECOGNISING THE CONTRIBUTION OF LOCAL ARMED FORCES**

Members noted the receipt of the Certificate from Waverley borough Council recognising Farnham Town Council's participation in the 'Recognising the Contribution of Local Armed Forces' scheme.

C 023/10 **THE FARNHAM SOCIETY EMENITY AWARDS 2010**

Members noted that Farnham Town Council received a 'Highly Commended Award' from the Farnham Society for the Bandstand in Gostrey Meadow – Architect Michael Blower.

C 024/10 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members received the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Consultative Group held on 4 March 2010, 18 March 2010, 1 April 2010, 15 April 2010, 29 April 2010 and 10 May 2010.

RESOLVED: That the observations made by the Planning Consultative Group held on, 4 March 2010, 18 March 2010, 1 April 2010, 15 April 2010, 29 April 2010 and 10 May 2010 and dealt with in accordance with delegated authority, be noted.

The Town Mayor closed the meeting at 7.30pm.

Date

Chairman