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POLEGATE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Town Council held on Thursday 18th February 2010 in the Council Chamber, 49 High Street Polegate at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr Mrs M Piper (Chair), Cllrs, G Carter, T Voyce, Mrs J Voyce, T Wright, J Rogers, J Harmer, S Shing (arrived at 7.55pm), A Watkins, Mrs C Berry, R Martin (arrived at 7.30pm) Mrs D Joy and M Cunningham.

3 members of the public for items 9011-9012

13 Members of the public for items 9014 - 9017

9011 Apologies for absence

The following Apologies had been received and accepted – Cllr S Barber due to work commitments and Cllrs Mrs J Bigsby due to leave.

9012 Declarations of interest

None

9013 Resolution to take business into Confidential Session

It was resolved to take business into confidential Session to discus legal proceedings.

9015 Resolution to take business into Public Session

It was resolved to take business into Public Session.

9016 Opportunity for Public Comment

It was resolved to suspend Standing Orders to allow members of the Public to make comment.

Suspend Standing Orders

- 7 Members of the public wished to speak. They spoke on the following subjects -
- 1 in favour of the Application for Town and Village Green.
- 3 against the Application for Town and Village Green
- 1 Polegate Town Football Club in relation to lease
- 1 Polegate Recreational Sports Alliance in relation to letting of Wannock Offices
- 1 Polegate Pre-School in relation to letting of Wannock Offices

Reinstate Standing Orders

9017 Minutes of the Meeting Held on 14th December 2009

These minutes had been discussed at the previous Council Meeting on January 2010. The amendments had been agreed. The Clerk added the Amendment on item 8934 in the last bullet point.

It was resolved by 9 for and 4 abstentions (ClIrs Shing, Watkins, Martin and Mrs Berry) to adopt the minutes of the 14th December with the amendments that had been agreed on 25th January 2010 together with item 8934, last bullet point, which read –

An Agreement from the Pre-School to proceed (or not) on the terms and conditions set by the Council.

9018 Polegate War Memorial Recreation Ground

a) Town and Village Green Application

It was resolved by 9 in favour and 4 against (Cllrs Shing, Watkins, Martin and Mrs Berry) that Polegate Town Council object to the application for the registration of the Polegate War Memorial Recreation Ground as a Town and Village Green.

It was resolved by 9 in favour and 4 against (Cllrs Shing, Watkins, Martin and Mrs Berry) that we engage our Legal Representative to represent Polegate Town Council in this matter and that we instruct them to submit a letter of objection to ESCC by 25th February 2010 on our behalf, siting relevant legal arguments.

It was resolved by 9 in favour and 4 against (Cllrs Shing, Watkins, Martin and Mrs Berry) to convene a Special Council Meeting, called by Cllr M Cunningham and Cllr G Carter, in order to discuss the financial implications.

b) Letting of Wannock Offices

It was resolved by 9 in favour and 4 abstentions (Cllrs Shing, Watkins, Martin and Mrs Berry) not to proceed with the letting of the Wannock Offices until the application for Town and Village Green had been determined.

c) Polegate Football Club

It was resolved by 9 in favour, 3 against and 1 abstention (Cllr Mrs Berry) that a lease would be granted to Polegate Football Club for 1 year with a clause which clearly states that if Town and Village Green Status is granted, the license may be cancelled and the Club may not be able to continue to hire the facilities as currently.