# TENBY TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE TENBY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD <u>15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022</u>

PRESENT:	Cllr Mrs S Skyrme-Blackhall Cllr Mrs T Evans	Mayor
	Cllr Mr J Cornwell	
	Cllr Mr P Rapi	
	Cllr Mrs C Brown	
	Cllr Mrs S Lane	
	Cllr Mrs T Rossiter	
	Cllr Mr L Blackhall	
	Cllr Mr D Morgan	
	Cllr Mr T Hallett	
	Cllr Mr M Evans	

IN ATTENDANCE:	Mr A Davies	Clerk
	Mrs S Thompson	Assistant to the Clerk
	Cllr Michael Williams	PCC North Ward

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the first 'in person meeting' since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic and thanked staff for getting the parlour ready. Their assistance was greatly appreciated.

# 350. <u>TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES</u>

None received.

# 351. <u>TO DISCLOSE ANY PERSONAL INTERESTS IN ITEMS OF BUSINESS</u> <u>LISTED BELOW</u>

Cllr Mrs Rossiter declared interest in item 12a.

# 352. <u>TO AGREE ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMITTEE MINUTES</u> <u>OTHER THAN THOSE MARKED NOT FOR PUBLICATION BEING GIVEN</u> <u>TO MEMBERS OF THE PRESS PRESENT</u>

Proposed by Cllr Hallett and seconded by Cllr Mrs Evans.

#### RESOLVED

That items of Correspondence and Committee Minutes other than those items marked Not for Publication be given to members of the Press present.

# 353. <u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES</u>

Resolved that the Minutes of the Tenby Town Council meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021 be confirmed and signed as accurate.

# 354. <u>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND IF FURTHER ACTION IS</u> <u>REQUIRED</u>

# a. <u>Transition to monthly meetings and review of operating structures and</u> processes – Cllr Blackhall

Cllr Blackhall thanked Cllr Rapi and the Clerk for recent discussions looking at options following the transition to monthly meetings.

He said that, looking at monthly meetings, we had to make sure we were just not replacing full council meetings with lots of committees and sub-committees as this would mean that the clerk and the assistant clerk would still be spending a great deal of time on the processes of servicing meetings.

The idea was to look to see if there is a way to do this more effectively with fewer meetings and more action

We have agreed to have a planning committee, a personnel committee and a new suggestion is possibly an ad hoc policy group that could look at consultations and undertake preparation work to bring back to full council.

Instead of a finance working party in December which reports to full council we would have an annual budget meeting for full council which would be specifically about finance.

The Mayor would sit on these committees as now but not necessarily chair the meetings.

For the rest of the council's functions, we would look to specific action groups. Full council would allocate a budget and the action groups could get on with the project without having to have formal meetings and produce minutes etc.

Any councillor could be part of whichever action groups but no-one could make unilateral decisions. They would have to involve the Clerk who would agree what needs to be done and by when and if it is within the allocated budget.

At start of council year, councillors could indicate their interest in specific areas i.e., environmental, sport major events, museum, culture, gardens, voluntary work and then as items come in to full council those who have expressed interest deal with matters with a record of the action being reported to full council at the next meeting.

Cllr. Blackhall said one example was that every year TTC give a certain budget over to floral displays. The selection of the bedding plants with PCC is not discussed by full council, it is dealt with by the Clerk and one councillor.

This is how it is envisaged these action groups will work. With emerging technology, you do not even have to meet physically every time. This would free up time for the office

There will be an issue over training needs, to enable councillors to undertake these roles but a Training Plan is now a legislative requirement going forward.

Full council would make policy decisions then the action groups would report back to council on what has been done and what will be done next time.

Cllr Blackhall felt this approach was worth trying as it was more focused on doing than on talking.

Cllr Mrs Lane said she had no problem with this concept as long as individual councillors make unilateral decision. Councillors were not allowed to do this TTC needs to be working together, and every councillor has a right to be involved in everything.

Cllr Blackhall said that the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer will still be the person that says it can be done and will do so only if it is within the policy and budget agreed by full council.

Cllr Mrs Brown was concerned about the possible involvement of other organisations in projects. She agreed with Cllr Mrs Lane that councillors cannot do anything until agreed by Clerk and feels this should apply to the other groups too.

Cllr Blackhall said this is an opportunity to work with other organisations but not for them to go off on their own. Council would be saying we would be interested in working together on certain projects but at the end of the day anything would be the decision of council.

Cllr Rapi said he was wary initially but, at the meeting, he realised that this idea follows lines similar to County Council with task groups which move things along quicker. As long as everything these task groups undertook was agreed by full council, he was happy to support.

The Mayor thanked those involved in the meeting and felt it had been really useful in clarifying the way forward.

#### RESOLVED

That the council and committee meeting structure remain as previously agreed with more work being done with action groups and working parties reporting back to full council.

**b.** <u>Page 180 Item 334b - Council Committees</u>: Cllr Mrs Brown feels she knows that Tenby in Bloom has always been separate from the council.

The current Tenby in Bloom committee was formed as an amalgamation of Keep Tenby Tidy and the original Tenby in Bloom committee established by Major John Evans in the 1970s.

Membership of both committees were aging and they were on the verge of folding. At that time, TTC had its own gardeners and gardens committee and we realised that there was a crossover in our collective aims and objectives.

Mrs Joan Scanlon (Cllr. Mrs. Lane's mother) tried taking on running of Tenby in Bloom but it got too much for her and it was suggested that Cllr. Mrs. Lane helped her out.

Cllr. Mrs. Lane introduced the poster competition and it was agreed that TTC helped by printing leaflets and posters but there was never any formal connection with TTC other than that.

Tenby in Bloom raises its own money and has only been given donations from TTC when asked for through our normal grant procedure.

Our Wales in Bloom success was due to Cllr Mrs Lane although the TTC office staff have given assistance where needed.

Cllr Blackhall thanked Cllr Mrs Brown for the explanation saying that he had just been querying an apparent anomaly. He was proud of the work Tenby in Bloom did.

Cllr Mrs Rossiter said she was a member of the Tenby in Bloom committee in her own right before Cllr. Mrs. Lane joined.

Cllr Mrs Lane recalled that Major John Evans used to keep in touch with the Clerk right up to his death and followed all Bloom activities in Tenby Observer.

Funds held by Keep Tenby Tidy had been transferred to Tenby in Bloom when it was agreed that, as there was too much work to do for their dwindling committee, the two bodies merged as 'Bloom' and 'Tidy' initiatives were now part and parcel of both Wales and Britain in Bloom remits.

The Mayor thanked the Tenby in Bloom committee for all the work done.

c. <u>Page 181 Item 334e - St Florence Parade</u>: Cllr Mrs Lane wished to clarify that members had just been coming up with ideas. The idea was not to change the name of St Florence Parade, as it was known that this was the postal address.

The idea was to use the area of St Florence Parade which was sadly more in use as a 'dog loo' to further utilise EPF grants. The idea was to remove the hedge, tidy up the area, install a commemorative bench and some some planters and name the area Queen Elizabeth II Walk. Nothing is being done to the Belmont Arch display.

d. <u>Page 182 Item 334g – Castle View House</u>: The Clerk told members that a site meeting had been held and asked if those councillors who had attended have a view as to how we can respond to this application. Cllr Hallett said he was

quite happy with what was seen and proposed approval. Cllr. Cornwell seconded.

## RECOMMEND

Approval. Following a site meeting with the applicant, members feel their concerns have been addressed and can support this proposal.

e. <u>Page 187 Item 341b - Tenby Market</u>: The Clerk told members that he has heard nothing back for PCC's Helen McLeod-Baikie.

## 355. <u>TO RECEIVE THE NOTES OF THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE PARADE SCOPING</u> <u>PARTY HELD 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH AND CONSIDER ANY ACTION IN RESPONSE</u> <u>TO PROPOSALS</u>

Cllr Cornwell opened by telling fellow members that he had visit the Harbourmaster regarding the lighting of the beacon and they had discussed the possible locations.

The flat area in front of the statute of Prince Albert was favoured as the beacon will visible across the town. The Harbourmaster had contacted PCC's Marc Owen who had no objection. The beacon will be lit at 9.45 pm.

Cllr Cornwell is pleased that progress has been made in this area and the Mayor thanked Cllr Cornwell for all his work.

The Clerk said he had been asked for, and provided, risk assessments by the Harbourmaster giving options for the beacon to go either on the Harbour Pier or on Castle Hill.

Cllr Mrs Lane asked if there had been any progress in getting someone to man the beacon as it needed someone staying with it to supervise while it was lit.

The Clerk said that he expected to do this but Cllr. Mrs. Lane felt TTC should look to employ someone to do this as ideas for the Jubilee would impact the Clerk's time and he was entitled to enjoy the Bank Holiday as much as anyone else. There should be a budget to pay for a support person.

Regarding the Sunday afternoon picnic, Cllr Cornwell told members that the Clerk had put him in touch with the Salvation Army, who were more than happy to play at the Band Stand

Cllr Rapi had read that Cllr Mrs Lane had suggested bunting and he has heard from a few shops who have said they would buy it. An added advantage was that the noise of bunting flapping appeared to scare off seagulls.

Cllr Cornwell had suggested involving the Tenby retail trade with a best dressed window competition and he offered to go around with printed material, engages and enhances the town.

Cllr Mrs Lane said she did discuss events for the Jubilee with the Clerk and she felt that TTC could buy the bunting so it would be uniform around the town. We could then give a 'starter pack' for each street,

She added that Cllr Ronowitz had indicated that he could arrange for it to be erected in the High Street.

Cllr Mrs Lane proposed that bunting be purchased and Cllr Rapi seconded.

Cllr Mrs Evans told fellow members that it had been a good productive meeting and she had already been asked by residents what Tenby was planning to do to celebrate. .

We had developed a four-day plan but not necessarily involving TTC on all four days.

The Thursday would see the proclamation at 2pm, the beacon lighting at 9.45pm and a concert by Tenby Male Choir in St Mary's.

On the Friday, Tenby estates would be encouraged to hold street parties.

For the Saturday a parade was planned through town. This was intended to be not only a celebration of Her Majesty's jubilee and her duty and service over 70 years but also a celebration of all that the local organisations had done to help the town through the difficult times over the past 2 years. It was hoped that schools, scouts, guides, pharmacies, medical staff and others would get involved.

Sunday will see the Salvation Army playing at the Band Stand on Castle Hill and people will be encouraged to picnic on the hill to listen to them.

This is a strong four days and I would like to propose we go ahead with the programme as discussed, she said.

Cllr Mrs Brown asked how we were to attract groups in to taking part in the parade adding that historically people we invite don't always come. She suggested we include a walking carnival within the parade with children encouraged to dress up on the theme of Jubilee. This may attract more people.

Cllr Mrs Lane mindful of people working and was anxious that there may be no spare people from these organisations available.

Cllr. Rapi felt that we were now lacking a 'community'. We need to work on our community to get it back and get them involved.

Cllr Mrs Evans agreed. She felt all of the community should be involved and she would work on engaging everyone. Not everybody works, she commented, and those who do probably have someone who looks after their children so we need to get them to bring them along.

The Mayor felt we needed to try, as an event like this will not happen again in our lifetime.

Failure in past is not a reason not to try again said Cllr Mrs Evans.

Cllr Mrs Evans reminded councillors that the idea was that Samba Doc lead the parade and this in itself will be creating a carnival atmosphere. Cllr Mrs Evans proposed that Samba Doc be engaged and Mayor seconded.

The Clerk reminded members that they were making a financial decision but no budget had been agreed for the various Jubilee event proposals.

Cllr Blackhall felt we could commit money from our tourism budget from next year.

He suggested up to  $\pounds 2,000$ . He realised that this was over the tourism budget agreed but felt funding could be vired from reserves. Cllr. Mrs. Lane agreed that if we were going over budget the situation could be revisited by the council.

The Clerk told member that County Council are proposing a blanket road closure for the whole county. He has been asked to inform them what closures we require and they will be included in the blanket order.

There would therefore be no charge for any road closure associated with the parade. However, PCC had said that, to enable the parade to take place we needed to create a safe, sterile walking area, and would have to use a registered traffic management company to provide this and only qualified traffic management officers had the legal authority to hold vehicles.

He had contacted one TMO firm who had quoted in excess of  $\pounds 400$  for the hour's work. He will be contacting other firms for comparison quotes but believes that this is roughly what the cost will be as it will be a holiday weekend.

As such he felt the proposed budget may not be sufficient and Cllr. Blackhall amended his proposal to increase the budget to £2500.

Cllr Mrs Brown asked if TTC are going to write to associations to encourage participation or are we just going to chance it?

She was informed that a press release would be sent out detailing what the plans are for the Jubilee weekend and informing people how they may get involved.

Cllr Mrs Evans proposed the 4 days of celebrations as set out in the report and this was seconded by Cllr Rapi.

#### RESOLVED

That the programme of events for the Jubilee be as set out in the report.

Further that under Section 144 of the LGA 1972, a sum of £2500 be set aside from the Tourism budget to finance the proposals. Should the budget as set out for the year be insufficient to meet all projected tourism expenditure, that any required virements from reserves be reported back to members.

# 356. <u>TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND TO</u> <u>AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS</u>:

Cllr. Mike Evans declared an interest as a member of PCNPA's Development Management committee. He would remain in the room to offer guidance on planning policy only.

Cllr Hallett moved taking the comments of Civic Society at Agenda item 9 with this item. Cllr. Blackhall seconded.

# a. <u>NP/22/0114/FUL -- Façade upgrade works to front and rear facades</u> including window and door replacement; to rear yard a new single storey glazed extension is to formed with widened opening to kitchen - 6 Norton Cottages, The Norton, Tenby

Cllr Cornwell had been to see the property and noticed it was similar to the property next door. This property is in a bad way and will benefit from the works. Cllr Cornwell moved approval of the application and Cllr Hallett seconded.

Cllr Rapi queried lines on the front facade shown on the plans. Cllr Morgan believed this relates to the re-rendering.

# RECOMMEND

Approval. Considered against all the relevant policies within the LDP, members feel that this proposal will have no detrimental impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties.

b. <u>NP/22/0128/FUL – Replacement of defective mansard roof structure with</u> <u>new mansard roof to match existing lines, though approx. 250 mm higher;</u> <u>replacement of existing mansard upvc windows with new anodised</u> <u>aluminium windows; replacement of modern upvc windows on rear</u> <u>elevation with timber sash windows to match original; replacement of one</u> <u>existing upvc window on rear elevation with pair of opening inwards</u> <u>French doors with metal Juliet balustrade on facade; creation of external</u> <u>terrace behind existing boundary wall at ground floor over external flat</u> <u>roof of basement apartment; various internal alterations to modern stud</u> <u>walling to change footprint of some apartments which will result in reduced</u> <u>number of individual apartments – Croft House, 2 The Croft, Tenby</u>

The Mayor asked if councillors were happy for both this and the following application to be taken together. Members were.

Cllr Blackhall said there is some significant items and the Civic Society notes draw us to those. There were particular issues in relation to the size of the building and size of features, and the Civic Society's' notes were helpful to inform our decision making. Cllr Hallett moved approval of both this application and NP/22/0129/LBA. <u>Cllr Cornwell seconded the proposal</u>.

# RECOMMEND

Approval. Considered against all the relevant policies within the LDP, members feel that this proposal will have no detrimental impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties or the Conservation Area.

c. <u>NP/22/0129/LBA – Replacement of defective mansard roof structure with</u> new mansard roof to match existing lines, though approx. 250 mm higher; replacement of existing mansard upvc windows with new anodised aluminium windows; replacement of modern upvc windows on rear elevation with timber sash windows to match original; replacement of one existing upvc window on rear elevation with pair of opening inwards French doors with metal Juliet balustrade on façade; creation of external terrace behind existing boundary wall at ground floor over external flat roof of basement apartment; various internal alterations to modern stud walling to change footprint of some apartments which will result in reduced number of individual apartments – Croft House, 2 The Croft, Tenby

#### RECOMMEND

Approval. Considered against all the relevant policies within the LDP, members feel that this proposal will have no detrimental impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties or the Conservation Area.

#### ТО 357. **CONSIDER FOLLOWING** OF **PLANNING** THE ITEMS CORRESPONDENCE AND AGREE ACTION IN **RESPONSE** TO **PROPOSALS:**

a. Tenby Civic Society - Comments on recent applications

Considered under previous item.

## 358. <u>TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND</u> <u>AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS</u>:

a. <u>Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales – Annual Report 2022/23</u>

The Clerk explained that the Panel's draft report had been before members in November. The final report had not changed.

Cllr Hallett moved accepting the report. Cllr Cornwell seconded.

#### b. <u>Residents of St Florence Parade – HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee</u> proposals relating to St Florence Parade (two letters)

Cllr Mrs Lane said hopefully the queries raised had been covered earlier and asked if TTC could reply to these letters with what had been said tonight.

Cllr Blackhall agreed with Cllr Mrs Lane. This was a proposed enhancement of this space which many, including PCC appeared to support.

## c. <u>Tenby Civic Society – Finger posts</u>

Cllr Cornwell asked who is responsible for the finger posts, to which the Clerk replied PCC.

Cllr Cornwell had taken a look at the main fingerpost mentioned in the letter and only one directional arrow remained relevant.

He said he is happy to photograph them and make proposals and then see if PCC County would be available to work on this if we were to make a recommendation.

Members commented that this had been something on the radar for a long time. They had been looked at by one officer but this had not taken up by anyone else following this officer no longer being with the authority.

Cllr. Mrs. Lane felt there was more chance of PCC taking them all away than repaired.

Cllr Mrs Brown commented on heritage plaques around the town e.g. in Augustus Place. We had been promised that they were to be cleaned and tidied up but nothing had happened. Could we include this in PCC's programme of repair and renewal.

Cllr Hallett believes that the Civic Society had painted some of the blue heritage signs but all need recording and upgrading.

Cllr Mrs Lane, referring to the stone plaques, wondered if it would be beneficial to get in touch with PCC for stone masons who could come in and work on them as a project.

Cllr Hallett recalled that the last time the one on Castle Hill had been mentioned we had been informed that it needed a specialist as it was of a delicate material.

Cllr Rapi commented that he had been complaining about the infrastructure of the town being in a dreadful state for a number of months. No repairs have been done.

Three years ago, he remembers seeing a council worker cleaning bins on The Esplanade, now PCC are just taking them away. We need to put our foot down and PCC must start investing in town he said.

Cllr Rapi offered to go around Tenby with Cllr Cornwell and take photos to send on to PCC.

Cllr Mrs Brown suggested that Cllr Cornwell create a photographic record for us to include in a letter PCC.

All agreed.

Cllr Blackhall reminded members that some works are being done as part of the EPF project.

# 359. <u>TO RECEIVE THE ACCOUNTS FOR FEBRUARY (INCLUDING</u> <u>SCHEDULED PAYMENTS, UNPRESENTED CHEQUES, RECEIPTS,</u> <u>ACCOUNT BALANCES, BUDGET MONITORING TO DATE AND BANK</u> <u>RECONCILIATIONS) AND CONSIDER ANY ISSUES ARISING</u>

The Clerk had nothing to bring to members' attention. Cllr Mrs Rossiter moved approval and Cllr Hallett seconded.

#### RESOLVED

THAT the accounts for February (including scheduled payments, unpresented cheques, receipts, account balances, budget monitoring to date and bank reconciliations) be approved.

# 360. <u>TO CONSIDER ANY UPDATES ON TENBY TOWN WALLS AND AGREE</u> <u>ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS</u>

The Clerk had nothing new to tell councillors.

Cllr Mrs Brown said although TTC have no money, tomorrow there is a Pembrokeshire Place Plan meeting and TTC should ask if proposed enhancement of the town walls would this come under a Place Plan.

Cllr Mrs Brown asked if this could be put this forward on her behalf as she is unable to attend.

The Clerk commented that several similar consultations had identified enhancement of the town walls. There was no harm in mentioning it again.

# 361. <u>TO CONSIDER ANY UPDATES ON THE PROPOSED BRYNHIR</u> <u>DEVELOPMENT.</u>

The consultation event was held today and looked to be very well attended, not only in relation to Brynhir but other aspects including how people get on the housing list, or check they were on it

Speaking to PCC representatives following the event, the Clerk said that they had felt it a very beneficial meeting and had been pleased with attendance and the positive reactions.

Cllr Mrs Brown said she had asked if the proposed designs were just for the social housing element or for the open-market as well and the indication was that the whole project would work from the same design book.

Cllr Rapi asked if there had been any indication as to the building contractors. PCC said they were not certain at this time but were hopeful to engage one that could provide both the social and open-market elements.

Cllr Blackhall agreed that this was one of PCC's ambitions and they were looking at, and learning from, other projects that has worked well There were a lot of positives, in terms of design certain features and PCC were here to listen to the local population and look at all the issues. While challenging, this was a very positive process that they are embarking on and it was very nice to have senior members of PCC here to engage with local people. They had also been impressed with the building and asked that this be passed back to the Trust.

# 362. <u>TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON</u> <u>OUTSIDE BODIES (IF ANY)</u>

The Clerk said that whilst this agenda item had not been appropriate for a while due to organisations not meeting during the Covid-19 pandemic, with things finally getting back to some sort of normality he felt it would give an opportunity for councillors on Outside Bodies to give an update on those organisations' current activities.

Cllr Cornwell told fellow members that the Sailing Club was doing well with junior sailing starting again soon. Cllr. Blackhall wondered if the Harbour Users Association could be included.

Cllr Rapi had attended an open week for governors at Ysgol Hafan y Mor which had been organised the by the Headteacher. He saw teaching, governors read with children and all governors went away with a better understanding of how it works. Being a governor was an important role and it was important to be aware of what is going on.

Cllr Mrs Brown told councillors that the De Valence is getting back on track and is looking full of events until the end of December. She added that the Trust are holding more community based events, this is needed as local community groups reform.

The Mayor told councillors that she had attended a Dementia Friendly meeting and a number of businesses and organisations had nominated people to attend a Dementia awareness course. The Memory Café is a separate entity at the moment but the hope is to bring it under one canopy was we work towards Dementia Friendly status for the town.

# 363 <u>TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY FOR THE PEOPLE OF</u> <u>UKRAINE – CLLR. MRS. SKYRME-BLACKHALL</u>

The Mayor wished to express support and solidarity to the people of Ukraine at this horrendous time. Our thoughts are with the families at this terrible time.

# 364. <u>HOUSING ACTION GROUP: TO DISCUSS AND DETERMINE THE INITIAL</u> <u>WORK NEEDED TO SET THIS UP. THIS WILL INCLUDE A DATA AND</u> <u>INFORMATION GATHERING EXERCISE – CLLR. MRS. SKYRME-</u> <u>BLACKHALL</u>

The Mayor attended today's event with Cllr Blackhall and had spoken with Michelle Bateman. Feedback had been mostly positive with only 5% negative. Lots of local people attended and could be seen looking positive about what they had been told.

It is important they get their names down on the housing list now. This development could be filled 3 or 4 times over now. Need to work on it. There were actually queues to get in at one stage. There is recognition that this is an onward consultation regarding Brynhir but there is still a housing crisis and the solution is a way away.

What I suggest now is to set up a housing action group, proposed the Mayor. Cllr Evans has already indicated he would like to be involved.

She suggested the action group also involve representatives from outlying areas such as Penally, New Hedges and Saundersfoot to help identify individual needs

Cllr Blackhall seconded. This is a massive issue that is not going away, he said. Let's gather information, experiences and all sorts of ideas; consider opportunities to learn from what is going on elsewhere and then look at the tools to deal with it.

# 365. <u>TO CONSIDER ANY FINANCIAL OFFICER/CLERK'S ITEMS AND TO</u> <u>AGREE ACTION IN RESPONSE TO PROPOSALS</u>

#### a. <u>Town and Community Council Elections 5th May 2022</u>

The Clerk outlined the timetable for the election and the 'dos and don'ts' during the pre-election period.

Nomination papers are available now. They can be handed in to County Hall or submitted on line. As in the past the Clerk will take over nomination papers on behalf of those unable to do so in person or online. He had made an appointment to do this on  $31^{st}$  March so he would need completed nomination papers by  $30^{th}$  March.

He also explained changes to the nomination forms since the last election.

The pre-election period starts on Friday.

Cllr Cornwell offered a vote of thanks to the Clerk for producing this briefing paper, and asked if any information relating to the election would be going into the local press.

The Clerk said that PCC would be publishing this. There is also a candidates Teams meeting tomorrow and another planned for early April.

Is it possible for this council to put out a statement asked Cllr Mrs Lane adding it would be a shame if we end up short of councillors?

Let's try and encourage youngsters to get on board and join the council, she said. Now is the time for them to take our heritage and future in their hands.

The Clerk agreed to prepare a press release.

# 366. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved that the next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

## 367. TO PROPOSE ANY ITEM FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Parking on the North Walk - Cllr P Rapi

# 368. TO RESOLVE TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S) OF BUSINESS UNDER THE "PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT OF 1960"