13 High Street Lydd ROMNEY MARSH Kent TN29 9AF

#### **MEETING OF LYDD TOWN COUNCIL**

# Monday 9th 2023 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber at the Guild Hall

All Councillors are summoned to the above meeting.

#### **AGENDA**

PRAYERS - Rev. Chris Maclean will lead the Council in prayers.

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

## 2. MINUTES (Enclosures)

- a) The minutes of the Council meeting held on 7th<sup>t</sup> November 2022 to be approved and signed as a true record
- b) To receive the already approved minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 7th November 2022

Only questions on the accuracy of the minutes are accepted

Councillors are requested to inform the clerk in advance of the meeting of any queries. No later than 12 noon on the day of the meeting and not at the meeting.

#### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Council's Code of Conduct and by the Localism Act 2011.

### 4. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

At the Chairman's discretion, 15 minutes duration in total and 3 minutes per member of the public submitting their written question in full on items on the agenda during which the meeting will be adjourned. No question will be accepted without a notice in writing delivered to the Clerk by no later than 9 am on the day of the meeting which states the question in full.

Members of the public will remain seated during public questions

# 5. ALLOTMENTS (enclosures)

- a) To review the charges for allotment plots to include water for rents falling due 1st October 2023
- **b)** To review the annual Allotment Association Management Team allowance for the upkeep of the allotments in line with the self- management agreement
- c) To consider the annual project to be partly financed by Lydd Town Council at the Allotments land to re-felt the cabin roof and to upgrade the picnic area behind the cabin with more block paving and grass. The amount requested from the Town Council is £1,701.15 and extra costs will be met by the association.

### 6. COUNCILLORS REPORTS (enclosure)

To receive a written report from KCC Member for Romney Marsh, Cllr Tony Hills

### 7. FINANCIAL MATTERS (enclosures)

### A. BUDGET PAPERWORK 2023-24

To receive and adopt the final approved budget following consideration of the draft budget at the meeting of Lydd Town Council on 7th November 2022

# **B. PRECEPT SETTING (enclosure)**

- i. To receive and note the Council Tax base for 2022-23 which is set as 2,165.45
- ii. To set the precept request to be made to Folkestone and Hythe District Council for 2023-24 in line with the agreed budget which must be notified to Folkestone and Hythe District Council by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023

#### C. DONATION FROM LYDD MUNICIPAL CHARITIES

To note the donation of £5,000 from Lydd Municipal Charities on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 and that this money is to be used for funding of small grant applications from local charity and voluntary groups and the agreed donations to Lydd Club Day and Twinning of £1,000 each.

#### D. NOTIFICIATION OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR APPOINTMENT FOR 2022-23

To receive and note the briefing note detailing the notification of the external auditor appointment for the 2022-23 financial year for the 5-year period until 2023-27.

#### 8. GURKHA BAND CONCERT AND POPPY APPEAL

To receive a report from Cllr Clive Goddard regarding

- a) Gurkha Band Concert 2022
- b) Poppy Appeal 2022

#### 9. TREE INSPECTION SURVEY

- a) To receive and note the independent Arboricultural condition reports for The Rype, The Banks and the Memorial Garden and that work will be carried out by Gibbs in accordance with the instructions in the reports.
- b) To note that a plan has been prepared with 18 positions for the planting of Memorial tree plots available to the community in accordance with the Memorial Tree scheme. These are located either side of Paine Avenue and that the species can be either Holm Oak or Corsican/Black pine.

#### 10. D- DAY 80

To note that we have been advised by the Pageantmaster that Beacons will be lit on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024 as the principal leading event in celebration/commemoration/tribute to D-Day 80, the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the D-Day landings in Normandy.

## 11. CIVIC ENGAGEMENTS (enclosure)

To note the civic engagements at which the Town Council has been represented.

### 12. PRESS AND PUBLIC EXCLUDED

To consider that the public and press be excluded from the following agenda item which is confidential and commercially sensitive and exempt as defined in Schedule 12 of the Local Gov Act 1972.

#### 13. RYPE PLAY PROJECT

- A) To receive an update on Phase 1 of the project
- B) To receive and consider the final quotation for Phase 2 of the project (included in the budget for 2023-24)

#### 14. TENNIS COURT PROJECT

To receive an update on the progress of the tennis court project from Cllr R.S. Jones and to consider a request from the contractors.

#### 15. CCTV FEASABILITY

To receive and note the update

A. Alexander, B.A. (Hons.) Town Clerk 4th January 2023