

Minutes of the **EXTRAORDINARY MEETING** of the
Swanage Town Council held via Zoom on **MONDAY,**
7th DECEMBER 2020 at 6.00 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor M.P. Bonfield – Chairman

Councillor A. Harris (from 6.05 p.m.)

Councillor D. Monkhouse

Councillor C. Moreton

Councillor W. Trite

Councillor M. Whitwam (from 6.15 p.m.)

Public Participation Time

There were no members of the public in attendance.

67. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for their inability to attend the Meeting were received from Councillors Finch, Foster, Page and Rogers.

68. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were invited to declare their interests and consider any requests for Grants of Dispensations in accordance with paragraphs 9 - 13 of the Council's Code of Conduct and regulations made under chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011.

There were no declarations to record on this occasion.

69. **ITEMS OF INFORMATION AND MATTERS FOR FORTHCOMING AGENDAS**

(a) It was reported that a member of the public had requested that consideration be given to commemoration of the service given to the town by the former mayor and long-serving councillor Mrs Julie Wheeldon. It was agreed that this would be an item on a forthcoming agenda for a full Council meeting.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Trite, and RESOLVED: -

That, under Standing Order No. 1 c), in the public interest, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted under agenda items 4 and 5 for reasons of legal and commercial confidentiality.

Councillor Harris joined the meeting at 6.05 p.m.

70. **CAR PARK AND DE MOULHAM ESTATE SERVICE ROAD RESURFACING - AWARD OF CONTRACT**

Consideration was given to a briefing note prepared by the Operations Manager setting out the tender process undertaken for the resurfacing of Main Beach and North Beach car parks and De Moulham estate back roads, together with electrical installation works. Having been advertised on the Contracts Finder website five submissions had been received and assessed against both quality and financial criteria. The briefing note identified the highest scoring tender following analysis by Dorset Property.

It was proposed by Councillor Trite, seconded by Councillor Moreton and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:

That the contract for the resurfacing of car parks and De Moulham estate back roads, together with electrical installation works at Main Beach car park, be awarded to NMC Contracting in the sum of £143,996.46.

71. **RENTS AND LICENCES PANEL – CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTE NO. 11 OF THE POLICY, FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3RD NOVEMBER 2020**

Consideration was given to a briefing note prepared by the Town Clerk setting out the latest position in respect of rent arrears in relation to commercial property.

Councillor Whitwam joined the meeting at 6.15 p.m.

The content of the briefing note, including legal advice received, was noted. It was agreed that if consideration of the matter was required between full council meetings then it should be referred to the rents and licences panel, convened in pursuance of Minute No. 55(a) of the Council Meeting held on 19th October 2020.

The meeting concluded at 6.25 p.m.
