

SHANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Council held at Falcon Cross Hall, Shanklin, Isle of Wight on Thursday 31 July 2025 at 19.00.

PRESENT: Town Mayor Councillor S. Sheath (in the Chair)

Deputy Town Mayor Cllr. A. Whittaker, Councillors: D. Larner, D. Williams, M. Beston, L. Fleming, R. Patel, R. May, P. Barry, S. Goodyear, W. Cooper, C. Quirk, T. Sheath, Town Clerk RFO, Deputy Town Clerk 3 members of the public & 4 Co-Option candidates.

Town Mayor Cllr S. Sheath welcomed the four Co-Option candidates to the meeting, each candidate introduced themselves and members asked them questions.

PUBLIC FORUM

Points raised: None.

Town Mayor Cllr S. Sheath welcomed Rev. Mark Williams from the Parochial Church Council of Christ Church Sandown to the meeting to talk about Breakfast in the Bay. (Cllr Quirk declared an interest having been a school governor).

The breakfast club has been running since January and have grants from Sandown Rotary, southern water, Lake parish council & Sandown Town council. All the monies go on food for the children. The breakfast club is run by volunteers & they have funding for two years. 2 of the 5 schools in Shanklin partake in the scheme which runs during term time only. The school allows volunteers to use their kitchen. During the week the children receive cereal, toast, on Fridays they have sausages and bacon. There has been a noticeable difference in some of the children in the scheme they have come along leaps and bounds. The Town Mayor thanked Mark & his colleague for attending and they left the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors' none.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATIONS

2.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Members were invited to declare any interest, including the nature & extent of such interests, that they may have in any items to be considered at the meeting. (If the interest was pecuniary, members should have left the meeting at the appropriate time). Members' to declare by voicing and/or completing the form distributed at the meeting or emailing the Town Clerk RFO before the meeting.

**2.2 DISPENSATIONS TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR
DISPENSATIONS FOR DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS (If any).**

2.3 TO GRANT REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS AS APPROPRIATE

Councillors C. Quirk & M. Beston have dispensations to participate (speak & vote) granted to them until May 2029 (or until the next election if sooner) with regard to IW Council items, & Shanklin theatre & community trust.

3. REPORT OF THE TOWN MAYOR

I hope this report finds you all well as summer is in full swing.

I start this report with a reflection on Sandown & Shanklin's Independent lifeboat's new launch tractor. Students from the Bay CE schools blue house council unveiled the newly named launch tractor. The vehicle now officially called "Sandy Mc Puller" was named by students following their fundraising efforts last October which raised £1,216.39. The funds were presented during a visit where students met members of the crew and had a ride in the lifeboat as it was towed by the tractor. A memorable moment was meeting crew member Kirren – a former blue house captain. Who was inspired to join the team after a school visit over 10 years ago. Mark Birch and the lifeboat team thanked the students for their generosity and enthusiasm highlighting the importance of community support in helping to save lives along the coast.

I need to now draw members attention of the following important events in our town next month. Which deserve our support. Shanklin main carnival on the 6 of August followed by the illuminated on the 9 August. This is followed by Shanklin regatta on the 14 August and finally on the 16 of August is Dash & Splash which starts at Shanklin and ends at Sandown seafront.

I would like to wish all councillors and their families a wonderful summer recess.

4. MINUTES TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 26 JUNE 2025

That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 26 June 2025 having been previously circulated be approved and signed & to note matters arising that do not require formal resolution.

Members duly proposed, seconded and voted unanimously to approve & sign the minutes.

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes from the meeting of 26 June 2025.

MATTERS ARISING: None.

5. ACCOUNTS:

5.1 ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL JUNE 2025

Town Mayor S. Sheath declared an interest in this item having been paid her mayoral allowance.

Members duly proposed, seconded and voted unanimously to approve the accounts.

RESOLVED: To approve the accounts for June in the sum of £27280.99.

5.2 BANK RECONCILIATION JUNE 2025

Town Mayor Cllr. S. Sheath confirmed the bank reconciliation for June 2025 correct.

5.3 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW

RESOLVED: Members noted the quarterly budget review.

6. GRANT REQUEST – COMMUNITY ACTION ISLE OF WIGHT – S.19 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976 APPLIES

Members duly proposed, seconded and voted thus to pay a grant in the sum of £10,000.00 Cllrs S. Sheath, A. Whittaker, D. Larner, D. Williams, M. Beston, L. Fleming, R. Patel, R. May, P. Barry, S. W. Cooper, C. Quirk, T. Sheath, voted to pay a grant Cllr. S. Goodyear voted against.

RESOLVED: To pay a grant in the sum of £10,000.00.

7. GRANT REQUEST - THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH SANDOWN – BREAKFAST IN THE BAY S.137 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 APPLIES

Members duly proposed, seconded and voted unanimously to pay a grant in the sum of. £1400.00.

RESOLVED: To pay a grant in the sum of £1400.00.

8. PLANNING & LICENSING

- 8.1** No recommendations from the planning application working party.
Members agreed the following:

Councillor M. Beston & Cllr C. Quirk declared an interest being IW Councillors.

RESOLVED: The recommendations of the Town Council on the following applications are as listed below:

NO COMMENT

Application No: 25/00626/RVC Parish(es): Shanklin Ward(s): Shanklin Central Location: Palm Court Hotel 5 Culver Road Shanklin Isle Of Wight PO37 6ER Proposal: Variation of condition 1 on 23/02232/RVC to allow minor alterations to include loss of overhang of roof to western side, internal alterations, change to wall in front of main entrance including new section of wall and loss of parking space, alterations to porch roof over main entrance, change of materials, alterations to pool terrace, new patio/terrace to rear of pool and new steps to patio.

NO COMMENT

Application No: Parish(es): 25/00927/FUL Shanklin Luccombe Manor Popham Road Shanklin Isle Of Wight PO37 6RG Ward(s): Shanklin South Proposed extension to conservatory along northern elevation and alterations to existing conservatory to include replacement windows and roof covering.

The following Councillors declared an interest in application **No: 25/00825** as they know the applicant:

Cllr Quirk, Cllr Beston, Cllr Williams, Cllr S. Sheath, Cllr Goodyear, Cllr Fleming, Cllr Whittaker

NO COMMENT

Application No: 25/00825/HOU Parish(es): Shanklin Ward(s): Shanklin South Parish(es): Shanklin Ward(s): Shanklin South Location: 1 Wentworth Close Shanklin Isle of Wight PO37

6QD Proposal: Proposed detached garden room and gym with roof canopy; decking area (revised application).

8.2 PLANNING APPLICATION WORKING PART

Will email any recommendations on applications during August to Town Clerk on 26 August.

9. MEMBERS UPDATE

Notice board Town Square. Cllr Fleming asked about Men in Sheds grant application RFO updated that we are waiting for acceptable accounts from them.

Lifeguards - IW Council responsibility. Big Mead pond water levels. Town Mayor Cllr. S. Sheath read a letter from IWC & one from the Environment Agency they are both monitoring the situation.

Councillor Whittaker resigned as Deputy Mayor vacated the chair and sat with other Cllrs.

10. IW COUNCILLOR/S UPDATE

Cllr. Quirk - Appley & Osborne steps lift only open half the year.

Big Mead IWC cuts in budgets, STC will monitor the situation.

Cllr. Beston – Beat surgeries are back being held in Falcon Cross Hall during August, October, November & December.

11. CO – OPTION

Those standing for Co-Option were asked to leave the room.

The following Councillors declared non-registrable interests & left the room for this item as they have residents standing for Co-Option:

Cllr S. Sheath, Cllr T. Sheath, Cllr L. Lerner.

Members proposed, seconded & voted for a chair for this item Cllr S. Sheath having left the room. Cllr. Beston took the chair.

Cllr. Beston called for a proposer and seconder for each candidate, voting papers for round one & round two handed out, returned & counted. Cllr Beston declared Mr M. Sheath & Mr D. Beeson as the new councillors for North Ward.

Town Mayor Cllr. S. Sheath, & Cllrs. T. Sheath & D. Lerner re-joined the meeting.

25 September 2025