



# Yeovil Town Council

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## Minutes of the meeting of the Promotions and Activities Committee of Yeovil Town Council held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 7.00pm in the Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil BA20 1PQ

**Present:** Cllrs D Recardo (Chairman), P Chandler, S Lowery, F Purbrick, W Read (Vice Chairman), M Roper and A Smith; D Shutler arrives 8.45pm.

**In Attendance:** S Freemantle (Deputy Town Clerk), Steve Haigh and two colleagues.

There was 1 member of the public and no members of the press present.

**7.00pm – Public Comment.** There were no comments from members of the public.

Before the meeting commenced, Steve Haigh introduced and showed a film about the Westland World Helicopter Speed Record made by students of Yeovil College.

**7.20pm** - Meeting commenced.

### **9/76. Apologies for Absence and to Consider the Reasons Given.**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs J Conway (union conference), and P Lock (holiday); and from Cllr D Shutler for the start of the meeting (Mayoral duties).

**Resolved:** To accept the apologies with the reason given.

### **9/77. Declarations of Interest.**

Members to declare Interests that accord with the Council's adopted Code of Conduct. This does not preclude any later declarations.

Cllrs Recardo and Read declared a personal interest in agenda item 9/79 as they were involved in making parts for the G-Lynx in 1986.

### **9/78. Minutes of Last Meeting.**

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

**Resolved:** That the Minutes of the meeting of the Promotions and Activities Committee held on 10<sup>th</sup> May and 17<sup>th</sup> May 2016 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**9/79. Westland World Helicopter Speed Record.**

The opportunity to discuss any matters arising from the viewing of the film before the commencement of the meeting.

It was suggested that a Blue Plaque be made with a view to locating it on the building in the Town Centre on the site of the former Petters Factory, and that tokens of appreciation be made in posthumous recognition of the flight pilot's achievement, and in recognition of the co-pilot's achievement.

**Resolved:** that the detail of the Blue Plaque and the token of recognition for the pilots be delegated to the Deputy Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

**9/80. New initiatives- LED Screen.**

The Chairman provided an update on this proposed New Initiative and discussion took place regarding the details required before a decision on the matter could be made, including the cost of a secure cabinet, the time (and relative cost) in uploading content and keeping the information current, and the potential advertising rates (to assist in offsetting other expenses relating to this scheme). It was agreed that Councillors research this required information and send it to the Deputy Town Clerk by the end of August.

**Resolved:** (1) that the update be noted, and (2) that Councillors investigate the suggested information and forward their findings to the Deputy Town Clerk by the end of August.

**9/81. Christmas Lights.**

To nominate and confirm three Members to form a Working Party to review the provision of Christmas Lights in the Town Centre.

**Resolved:** that Cllrs P Lock, D Recardo and A Smith form the Working Party for Christmas Lights.

**8.45pm** – Cllr D Shutler arrives at the meeting.

**9/82. Christmas Lights Competition.**

To consider the report by the Deputy Town Clerk.

Cllr F Purbrick declares a personal interest in this agenda item as her neighbour regularly enters the competition.

**Resolved:** (1) that Cllrs S Lowery, W Read, M Roper and D Shutler, form the Working Party to judge the Christmas Lights Competition, and that Audrey Spencer, Emma Slee, and representatives from Brympton, West Coker and Yeovil Without Parish Councils also be invited, and (2) that the judging date be set for Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

**9/83. Yeovil in Bloom Minutes.**

Members to note the minutes of the Yeovil in Bloom Steering Group meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

The Chairman gave an overview of the South West in Bloom judge's visit to Yeovil and informed the Committee that the results would not be announced until early October this year.

**Resolved:** that the minutes and the update from the Chairman be noted.

**9/84. Financial Statement – April/May 2016.**

Members to consider the Financial Statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016.

**Resolved:** that the Financial Statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016 be noted.

**Public Comment.** There were no members of the public present.

The meeting closed at 9:05pm.

Signed: ..... (Chairman)                      Date: .....