

## PETERSFIELD STUDENT COUNCIL

A meeting of the Petersfield Student Council was held in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

**PRESENT:** Cllr J C Crissey (Town Mayor)

**Also in attendance:** Students from Herne Junior  
St.Cllr. Torrance, St.Cllr. Chipperfield,  
St.Cllr. Williams, St.Cllr. Lewelyn-Williams,  
St Cllr. O'Reilly, St.Cllr. Neil, St.Cllr. De  
Giovanni, St.Cllr Alexander, St.Cllr. Ramsey

**1** **TO RECEIVE AND RECORD APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies

**2** **ELECTION OF STUDENT TOWN MAYOR**

Nominations were invited for the position of Student Town Mayor. Proposed St.Cllr. Lev-Morgan (3), St.Cllr. Torrance (0), St.Cllr. Brett (0), St.Cllr. Llewelyn Williams (3), St.Cllr. De Giovanni (5) A vote took place for nominations. As no further nominations were received it was St.Cllr. De Giovanni

**RESOLVED** that St.Cllr. De Giovanni be elected as the Student Town Mayor for 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

**3** **TO RECEIVE THE STUDENT TOWN'S ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE AFFIRMATION**

The Council received the Student Town Mayor's Acceptance of Office.

**4** **ELCTION OF STUDENT DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR**

St.Cllr. Lev-Morgan (10 votes) St.Cllr. Llewelyn Williams (0)

The Town Mayor thanked St.Cllr. Lev-Morgan for fulfilling the role of Student Deputy Town Mayor on a temporary basis.

Nominations were invited for the position of Student Deputy Town Mayor. Proposed St.Cllr. Lev-Morgan and St.Cllr. Llewelyn Williams. As no further nominations were received it was St.Cllr. Lev-Morgan

**RESOLVED** that St.Cllr. Lev-Morgan be elected as the Student Deputy Town Mayor for the 13th October 2023.

5 **STUDENT DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S OATH**

The Council received the Student Deputy Town Mayor's Acceptance of Office.

6 **STUDENT TOWN MAJOR'S ADDRESS**

Major De Giovanni has stated that he will take all people in the community as well as councillors thought into consideration and would like to make a difference.

7 **MINISTER TO OFFER PRAYERS**

The prayers were offered on this occasion by the temporary Town Clerk Cllr J C Crissey

8 **GRANTING OF DISPENSATION UNDER SECTION 33 OF THE LOCALISM ACT (2011)**

There were no requests for dispensations.

9 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

10 **APPOINT CHAIRMENAN OF FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE 10 OCTOBER 2023**

Nominations were invited for the position of chairman of Finance & General purpose. Proposed St.Cllr. Chipperfield (2), St.Cllr. Brett (2), St.Cllr. Neil (4), St.Cllr. Ramsey (4).

St.Cllr. Neil (4), St.Cllr. Ramsey (4) tie between the two councillors.

Revote no further nominations were received it was St.Cllr. Ramsey (5)

**RESOLVED** to appoint St.Cllr. Ramsey to the role of Finance & General Purpose Committee with effect from 13th October 2023

11 **APPROVE APPOINTMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES**

(a) **Planning Committee**

RESOLVED : All members/ councillors except the Mayor (all students)

(b) Grounds Committee

RESOLVED: All members/councillors on the grounds committee although it should only have 5 members

(c) Public Halls Committee

RESOLVED: St.Cllr. Williams, St.Cllr. Lewelyn-Williams, St.Cllr. O'Reilly, St.Cllr. Neil

(d) Town Development Committee

RESOLVED: All members/councillors are on the committee

12 TO APPOINT A CHAIRMAN TO THE PLANNING, GROUNDS, PUBLIC HALLS AND TDC

RESOLVED: to appoint St.Cllr. O'Reilly to the role of Chairman to the Planning, Grounds, Public Halls and TDC with effect from 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023

13 TO APPROVE APPOINTMENT TO THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: to appoint St.Cllr. Lewelyn-Williams to the role of Chairman to the Planning, Grounds, Public Halls and TDC with effect from 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023

14 TO REVIEW THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR PLANNING, GROUNDS, PUBLIC HALLS, TDC AND FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEES

RESOLVED: Look at the committee guideline documentations

TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE  
FOLLOWING OUTSIDE BODIES AND CONSIDER  
APPOINTMENT TO ADDITIONAL OUTSIDE BODIES

(a) Agencies Working Together

RESOLVED: Explained

(b) Armed forces Champion

RESOLVED: Explained

(c) East Hampshire Association of Parish & Town Council (4 members)

RESOLVED: Explained

(d) East Hampshire Community Rail Partnership

RESOLVED: Explained

(e) Friends of Petersfield Heath

RESOLVED: Explained

(f) John Goodyear Trust

RESOLVED: Explained

(g) Petersfield Community Association

RESOLVED: Explained

(h) Petersfield Open Air Swimming Pool

RESOLVED: Explained

(i) Petersfield Strategy Group

RESOLVED: Explained

(j) Petersfield Town Football Club

RESOLVED: Explained

(k) Twining Committee (Student Town Mayor & Student Town Deputy Mayor)

RESOLVED: Explained

(l) New Savoy Cinema

RESOLVED: Explained

(m) Rural Services Network Group

RESOLVED: Explained

(n) West Sussex Bus Steering Group

RESOLVED: Explained

16 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLVED: Not applicable

17 PUBLIC REPRESENTATION

RESOLVED: Not applicable

18 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Members received the County Councillor's Report (*see Appendix B*).

The County Councillor's Report signifies the progress on various projects, the statue, return of King William 3<sup>rd</sup>, Policing and Safety

Questions: How do we keep everything clean and tidy  
St.Cllr. Morgan

19 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Members received the District Councillor's Report (*see Appendix C*).

20 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Members received the Town Clerk's Report (*see Appendix*

D).

Town Clerk's report covers current activity of Officers and what they have been doing, money spent and money in the bank.

**21**                    **TO APPROVE YEARLY BUDGET AND AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD PRECEPT**

- a. A yearly budget of £10000 and an average household precept of £50
- b. A yearly budget of £20000 and an average household precept of £100
- c. A yearly budget of £30000 and an average household precept of £150

**RESOLVED:**                    **St.Cllr. O'Reily should be based on how much is being used. Postpone the debate on taxes until we achieve a decision on what money will be sent on**

**22**                    **TO CONSIDER CAPITAL OR EXPENSE PROPOSAL**

- a. to spend £5000 on new play equipment on the Heath
- b. to spend £7000 on the purchase of a new field to build a new cricket pitch
- c. to spend £6000 to buy a new field and turn it into a community garden
- d. to spend £11000 to buy a new field and keep it as a green space

- e. to spend £5000 to repair the roof on the Festival Hall
- f. to spend £20 000 to progress the refurbishment project for the Festival Hall
- g. to give £10 00 to local charities to help the less fortunate
- h. to spend £1000 to purchase CCTV cameras for the Square (crime prevention)
- i. to spend £9000 to buy a new space for a community car park
- j. to give £3000 to charities that support traffic speed reduction measures
- k. to spend £5000.00 on measures to routinely litter pick ( and plant flowers)
- l. to spend £5000 to replace old garden equipment
- m. to spend £5000 to replace old rigging equipment in the hall
- n. to approve £6000 for the salaries of the officers and staff

**RESOLVED:** Expenses have been approved for section a, d, e, f, g, h and j yearly budget of £55 000 and an average household precept of £250.00

Meeting came to an end at 11:50

23 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE OPTION OF REPLACING THE CURRENT LATE QUEEN'S PORTRAIT IN THE CHAMBER WITH A PHOTOGRAPH OF KING CHARLES III PENDING THE OFFICAL RELESE OF THE NEW PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPH

**RESOLVED:** No time to address this section

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**RESOLVED:** that the public be asked to leave the meeting.

24 TO CONSIDER ANY STAFF, FINANCIAL OR OTHER RECOMMENDATION FROM COMMITTEES

**RESOLVED:** No time to address this section

Closing comments from Town Clerk

You can be involved in making representation. Chose something that you think is important and take it to your councillors. Trying to get the Fountain returned to its original placement (good for wildlife and the flow of the stream. Also important litter as well as achieving Net Zero)

All Cllr/students received a Petersfield Town Flag



