

Minutes of a meeting of the Sandwich Town Council Advisory and Asset Committee held on 10th January 2022, in the Jury Room, Guildhall, Sandwich, at 6pm.

Present: Cllr PG Graeme, (The Mayor, in the chair)
HJ Bragg
P Carter
AE Fox
J Franklin
DR Friend
K Heaven
M Lintott

Also

Present: Cllr Marie was also in attendance as an observer and one member of the public.

Officer: A Hollobon-Baxter (Minutes)

01.01.22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
None. All members were present.

02.01.22 DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS
No declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests or other significant interests were made.

03.01.22 FISHERGATE
Councillors gave lengthy deliberation to Fishergate, taking into consideration best values obtained for the taxpayer and securing this key heritage asset for the town. Having considered all options, Councillors agreed to offer Fishergate to local community organisation through a peppercorn full repairing lease for three to five years. Local organisations would have until the end of February to apply to Council for their organisation to be considered. If for any reason this option did not receive favour within the town or was not viable, the building would be offered as a commercial let.
RECOMMENDATION: Officers to produce and advertise letting details advising potential organisations of the full repairing lease, responsibilities of health and safety obligations, peppercorn rent, utilities, business rates etc.

04.01.22 TERMS OF REFERENCE
Councillors considered updated terms of reference. The Mayor advised that A & A Committee had some delegated powers which required adding to the document. It was agreed to defer this item to offer Officers time to redraft and return to Committee for consideration.
RECOMMENDATION: Officer to redraft and return to A & A Committee for consideration.
Cllr P Carter requested that his vote against be recorded within the minutes.

05.01.22 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING
To be arranged.

Summary of actions:

Minutes	Action	Member/Officer to complete	Update/record of completion
03.01.22	Officers to produce and advertise letting details advising potential organisations of the full repairing lease, responsibilities of health and safety obligations, peppercorn rent, utilities, business rates etc.	Officers	
04.01.22	Officer to redraft and return to A & A Committee for consideration	Officers	