SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL 5 JUNE 2017 MINUTES of the MEETING of the SPECIAL SWANSCOMBE & GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at THE COUNCIL OFFICES, THE GROVE, SWANSCOMBE on MONDAY 5 JUNE 2017 at 7.00 PM

PRESENT:

Councillor Ms L M Cross (Town Mayor) Councillor K G Basson Councillor Mrs S P Butterfill Councillor Ms L M Hall Councillor P M Harman Councillor P C Harris Councillor K M Kelly Councillor Mrs M B Kelly Councillor Mrs L Manchester Councillor Mrs L Manchester Councillor D J Mote Councillor B R Parry Councillor A S Reach Councillor B E Read Councillor S J Ryan

ALSO PRESENT:

Graham Blew – Town Clerk Martin Harding – Assistant Town Clerk/RFO

ABSENT:

None

A minutes silence was observed in memory of those who had been affected by the recent terrorist atrocities in the United Kingdom.

34/17-18. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors' Mrs A E D Barham, Ms L C Howes, Dr J M Harman, J A Hayes and Mrs I A Read

35/17-18. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

Councillor S J Ryan declared a prejudicial interest as he was working with a client that consulted with Dartford Borough Council on land transfers and Leases.

The Chairman gave the opportunity for the meeting to be adjourned at this point to accept questions from the public.

36/17-18. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

MOVED BY Councillor B E Read and seconded by Councillor P M Harman;

RESOLVED:

That, pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press leave the meeting during consideration of the following item(s).

No members of the press or public were present during discussion of the following item of business.

Having already declared a prejudicial interest Councillor S J Ryan left the chamber and took no part in the debate or discussion of the following item.

37/17-18. EAGLES ROAD PLAY AREA – GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS.

Further to minutes 417/16-17 and 32/17-18, members discussed the content of the information provided by Dartford Borough Council (DBC). Members noted that DBC had a less frequent schedule of maintenance and litter picking for its play areas than that currently undertaken by the Town Council.

After discussion it was duly proposed, seconded and agreed;

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 10 of the Open Spaces Act 1906, the Town Council agree, in principle, to enter into an agreement with DBC to manage and maintain Eagles Road Play Area.

That the Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk be delegated authority to undertake the ongoing discussions regarding the Lease/Management Agreement for the above..

There being no further business to transact the Meeting closed at 7.15 pm.

Signed:

(Chairman)

Date:-