



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

LG1, SALISBURY GARDENS

9AM

6 JANUARY 2025

Members present:-

Councillors: Mark Jefferies (Chair), Ian Bond, Steve Milford, Julie Hutchison

Clerk: Katherine Baldwin

MINUTE SUBJECT

DRAFT

01/25

PUBLIC FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

02/25

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There was an apology received from Cllr Steve Cooper.

03/25

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

04/25

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING – 4 NOVEMBER 2024

The Minutes of the Environment and Transport Committee meeting of 4 November 2024, having been previously circulated to Members were taken as read.

It was unanimously resolved to:

Accept the minutes of the Environment and Transport Committee meeting of 4 November 2024.

05/25

No.31 Bus

Cllr Steve Milford gave an overview of the usage of the No.31 bus. It was noted that there had been an increase in usage. It was noted that a smaller bus is used which provides eight seats rather than twelve.

Approximately £3000 of the grant had been spent so far. There was a discussion about whether further grants should be pursued or if the price should be increased. The grant runs out in June 2026 and the money needs to be spread out to cover this period. It was suggested that a tendering exercise would need to be done a year in advance of the grant expiring as expressions of interest had been received in respect of running the service. The Town Clerk raised that the Local Government reorganisation may have an impact on accessibility to grants and the decision-making process. It was suggested that any further decisions are put on hold until there is more information.

It was suggested that the service is promoted in the Ventnor Town Council newsletter which is due to be published in mid-January.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 3rd March 2025 at 09.00am

The meeting closed at 9.15 am

SIGNED BY THE CHAIR

DATE