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Annual Town Meeting

You are invited to the Deal Annual Town Meeting which is to be held at 7.15pm on Tuesday 30 April 2024 in the Town Hall Chamber

This is an open meeting for the Electors of Deal to raise and discuss matters of general interest.

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.

1	Chairperson's welcome and opening remarks	Cllr Richardson
2	Councillor apologies for absence	Town Clerk
3	The minutes of the previous Annual Town Meeting held on 25 April 2023 for approval and signing.	Attach 1
4	Visual Presentation: The Town Plan One Year On.	Officers
5	Presentation from STEM sustainability on Climate emergency including an update on the councils target to reach Net Zero by 2025	STEM Sustainability
6	Presentation from Samphire Project	Samphire Project
7	Feedback from those awarded Deal Town Council grants, and from representatives of other local groups and organisations	Various
8	Open session for questions, comments, and suggestions from members of the public on any issues of general interest	All
9	Chairperson's closing remarks	Cllr Richardson

Councillor O Richardson Chairperson of the Council Date: 23 April 2024

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The minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on Tuesday 25th April 2023

Present:

Cllr C Turner (Chairperson) Cllr B Bano Cllr C Oliver Cllr E Rowbotham

Officers in attendance:

Cllr S Beer Cllr M Eddy Cllr T Grist Cllr T Thompson

Others: 23 Members of the Public

Town Clerk: Lorna Crow Responsible Finance Officer: Paul Bone Assistant to The Town Clerk/Event Manager: Joanne Harper Committee Clerk: Laura Marney Climate Change/Communications officer: Nadine Miller

1.	Chairperson's opening remarks: Cllr C Turner welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the fire evacuation instructions.	
2.	Councillor Apologies for absence received: Cllr A Friend, Cllr A Farrington, Cllr A Stroud and Cllr O Richardson.	
3.	The minutes of the previous Annual Town Meeting held on Friday 26 th April 2022 for approval and signing. RESOLVED: to accept the minutes of the previous meeting held on Friday 26 th April 2022 as a true and accurate record. (P)BB (S)ME. All Agreed. The minutes were duly signed by the Chairperson.	
4.	Presentation from STEM sustainability: Matthew Morris from STEM sustainability gave an update on the council's progress to reach Net Zero by 2025 and answered queries from members of the public.	
5.	Presentation from Deal Fairtrade Network: Representatives from Deal Fairtrade Network Jeff Loffman and Jeanette Timmins gave a presentation about the organisation.	
6	Feedback from those awarded Deal Town Council grants, and from representatives of other local groups and organisations: Representatives from local organisations in Deal introduced themselves and those present who had received a financial grant from Deal Town Council gave updates on what the funding would be used for.	
7.	Questions, comments, and suggestions from members of the public on any issues of general interest: Members of the public asked questions about the council's e-bikes scheme, charity stalls in the Undercroft, the sculpture that used to be at Deal Pier and the lack of police presence in Deal. The Chairperson, Town Clerk and the Responsible Finance Officer responded to the questions.	
8	Chairman's closing remarks : Cllr Turner thanked everyone who attended and participated in the meeting and closed the meeting at 8.36pm.	