



Deal Town Council, Town Hall, High Street, Deal, CT14 6TR.

To all Councillors: You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Full Council at the Town Hall on Tuesday 29 July 2025 at 7.15pm to transact the business shown on the agenda below.

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.

Any member of the public may submit a written statement of no more than 500 words relating to any item on this agenda. These must be received by 10am on Monday 28 July 2025 by email to deal.town.council@deal.gov.uk or post to the above address. These statements will be circulated to all councillors present at the meeting and become part of the public record of the meeting, names will be redacted.

Mrs. L Crow - Town Clerk

Date: 22 July 2025

AGENDA

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| 1 | Chairperson's opening remarks: | Chairperson |
| 2 | Apologies for absence received: | Town Clerk |
| 3 | Declarations of interest: To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda. | Attach. 1 |
| 4 | The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 24 June 2025 for approval and signing: Decision required. | Attach. 2 |
| 5 | Public participation and statements received: For councillor information, members of the public may make representations, answer questions, and give evidence at the meeting in respect of the business on the agenda. This shall not exceed 15 minutes. | Town Clerk |
| 6 | Update from PC Kyle Waymark, Deal Town Beat Officer | |
| 7 | Deal Bathing Water quality update: Decisions required | Attach. 3 |
| 8 | List of payments including payments exceeding £500 for approval and signing from the 1 June to 30 June 2025: Decision required. | Attach. 4 |
| 9 | The Kings Visit to Deal: Information to note | Attach. 5 |
| 10 | Project Plan – Deal Together: Decision required | Attach. 6 |
| 11 | General Power of Competence: Decision required | Attach. 7 |
| 12 | Recommendation from the Transport & Infrastructure Committee regarding E Bikes: Decision required | Attach. 8 |
| 13 | Correspondence received: (a) Response received from Minister for Border Security regarding UK Citizenship Policy: Decision required (b) Response received from Confederation of Cinque Ports regarding Installation of Lord Warden booklet: Decision required | Attach. 9 Attach. 10 |
| 14 | Deal Town Council Committee Minutes: Information to note. (a) The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 09.06.25 (b) The minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 16.04.25 (c) The minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 14.05.25 | Attach. 11 |
| | Date of next meeting: 30 September 2025 | |

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)

Where a Member has a new or registered DPI in a matter under consideration, they must disclose that they have an interest and, unless the Monitoring Officer has agreed in advance that the DPI is a 'Sensitive Interest', explain the nature of that interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a DPI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation permitting them to do so. If during the consideration of any item a Member becomes aware that they have a DPI in the matter they should declare the interest immediately and, subject to any dispensation, withdraw from the meeting.

Other Significant Interest (OSI)

Where a Member is declaring an OSI they must also disclose the interest and explain the nature of the interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a OSI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation to do so or the meeting is one at which members of the public are permitted to speak for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the matter. In the latter case, the Member may only participate on the same basis as a member of the public and cannot participate in any discussion of or vote taken on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

Voluntary Announcement of Other Interests (VAOI)

Where a Member does not have either a DPI or OSI but is of the opinion that for transparency reasons alone s/he should make an announcement in respect of a matter under consideration, they can make a VAOI. A Member declaring a VAOI may still remain at the meeting and vote on the matter under consideration.

Note to the Code:

Situations in which a Member may wish to make a VAOI include membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items; where a Member knows a person involved but does not have a close association with that person; or where an item would affect the well-being of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position. It should be emphasised that an effect on the financial position of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. OR an application made by a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. would both probably constitute either an OSI or in some cases a DPI.

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The Minutes of the Full Council meeting held at the Town Hall on 24 June 2025 at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllr M Eddy (Chairperson) Cllr P Findley (Vice Chairperson)
 Cllr B Bano Cllr S Beer
 Cllr T Bond Cllr L Craggs
 Cllr D Cronk Cllr A Friend
 Cllr S Cullen Cllr P Jull
 Cllr D Parks Cllr M Walters

Officers: Mrs L Crow (Town Clerk)
 Mr P Bone (Responsible Finance Officer) Others: 1 Member of Public
 Ms J Harper (Asst. to the Town Clerk)
 N Miller (Climate Change, Projects & Communications Officer)

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| 1 | Chairperson's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the fire evacuation procedures. | Chairperson |
| 2 | Apologies for Absence received: Cllr M Cronk and Cllr S Brookfield due to work commitments and Cllr O Richardson due to a prior commitment. | Town Clerk |
| 3 | Declarations of interest: Cllr A Friend declared a VAOI for item 10 as he is a Trustee of "Talk it Out". Cllr S Beer declared a VAOI for item 8 as she is a beneficiary of the Kent Pension Fund and Cllr B Bano declared a VAOI for item 8 as he is also a beneficiary of the Kent Pension Fund. | |
| 4 | The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 27 May 2025 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 27 May 2025 as a true and accurate record. (P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr D Cronk. 11 For, 1 Abstention. Agreed. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes. | Chairperson |
| 5 | Public participation and statements received: None received. | |
| 6 | List of payments including payments exceeding £500 for approval and signing from the 1 April to 31 May 2025: Members RESOLVED: To accept the list of payments including payments exceeding £500 for approval and signing from the 1 April to 31 May 2025. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr A Friend. All agreed. | Chairperson |
| 7 | Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2024/25: (a) Annual Internal Audit Report 2024/25: Members RESOLVED: To note the Annual Audit Report 2024/25. (P) Cllr B Bano (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed. (b) Annual Governance Statement 2024/25: Members RESOLVED: That assertion 1 is answered 'YES' That assertion 2 is answered 'YES' That assertion 3 is answered 'YES' That assertion 4 is answered 'YES' | |

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| | <p>That assertion 5 is answered 'YES'</p> <p>That assertion 6 is answered 'YES'</p> <p>That assertion 7 is answered 'YES'</p> <p>That assertion 8 is answered 'YES'</p> <p>That assertion 9 is answered 'N/A'</p> <p>That the Chairperson of the Council and Town Clerk are authorised to sign Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2024/25 for Deal Town Council.</p> <p>(P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed.</p> <p>(c) Accounting Statement 2024/25: Members RESOLVED: To approve the Accounting Statements 2024/25 and that the Chairperson of the Council is authorised to sign Section – 2 Annual Accounting Statements 2024/25 for Deal Town Council.</p> <p>(P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed.</p> | <p>R.F.O Town Clerk Chairperson</p> <p>R.F.O Chairperson</p> |
| 8 | <p>Kent Pension Fund Consultation: Members RESOLVED: To delegate to the Finance and General Purposes Committee any further discussion/debate and to decide on the response from Deal Town Council to this consultation.</p> <p>(P) Cllr S Beer (S) Cllr M Walters. 10 For, 1 Against, 1 Abstention. Agreed.</p> | R.F.O |
| 9 | <p>Local Government Reorganisation: Members RESOLVED: To accept the following recommendations:</p> <p>1. To delegate authority to the Town Clerk and R.F.O in liaison with the Chairperson of the Council and the Staff Liaison Panel to explore assets and services that may be suitable for transfer to Deal Town Council, and to submit an initial non-binding expression of interest for the transfer of these assets and services to DDC if required.</p> <p>2. To delegate authority to the Town Clerk and R.F.O in liaison with the Chairperson of the Council to continue in discussions with stakeholders and local councils.</p> <p>(P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed.</p> | <p>Town Clerk R.F.O Chairperson Staff Liaison Panel</p> <p>Town Clerk R.F.O Chairperson</p> |
| 10 | <p>Deal Town Council Projects 2025/26:</p> <p>(a) Review of Project Plan Template: Members RESOLVED: To continue with the project plan procedure.</p> <p>(P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr M Eddy. 10 For, 1 Against, 1 Abstention. Agreed.</p> <p>(b) Project Plan – Deal Together: Members RESOLVED: To send back to officers to work into strategy/plan for more emphasis on social isolation and bring to the July meeting of Full Council for decision.</p> <p>(P) Cllr T Bond (S) Cllr S Beer. 10 For, 1 Against, 1 Abstention. Agreed.</p> | Town Clerk Project Officer |

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| 11 | <p>Health and Wellbeing report and draft strategy: Members RESOLVED: To approve and adopt the draft Health and Wellbeing Report and Strategy.</p> <p>(P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr B Bano. All Agreed.</p> | Town Clerk |
| 12 | <p>Dover District Town and Parish Charter consultation: Members RESOLVED: Deal Town Council has no issue with this charter, however, would like to know how it will fit into the reorganisation of the government structure.</p> <p>(P) Cllr D Parks (S) Cllr D Cronk. 11 For, 1 Against</p> | Town Clerk |
| 13 | <p>Review of Town Plan: Members RESOLVED: To note the report.</p> <p>(P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed.</p> | |
| 14 | <p>Sound Mirror Update: Members RESOLVED: To note the report.</p> <p>(P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed.</p> | |
| 15 | <p>Councillor Outside Body quarterly reports: Members RESOLVED: To note the following reports:</p> <p>(a) Dover District Fairtrade Network (b) Cliffs of Sanctuary</p> <p>(P) Cllr P Jull (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed.</p> | |
| 16 | <p>Deal Town Council Committee Minutes:</p> <p>(a) The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 07.04.25 (b) The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 06.05.25 (c) The minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 12.02.25 (d) The minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 12.03.25 (e) The minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 18.02.25</p> <p>Members RESOLVED: To note the minutes.</p> <p>(P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed.</p> | |
| | The Chairperson closed the meeting at 20.30pm. | |

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

To: Cllr M Eddy, Chairperson of Deal Town Council & All council members
From: Nadine Miller, Climate Change, Projects and Communications Officer
Date: 22 July 2025
Re: **Deal Bathing Water quality update**

Recent bathing water quality readings that have been published by the Environment Agency show on Monday 7 July 2025 Escherichia coli (EC) colonies per 100ml were 9,900.

This reading shows 6,000 more colonies detected during the 'spike' on Friday 23 August 2024 (Escherichia coli EC: E. coli colonies per 100ml; 3900)

In November 2024, Deal bathing water was classified as 'poor' based on samples taken from 2021 through to 2024. The classification will remain until at least 2027.

In February, Dover District Council, Southern Water and Environment Agency were invited to and spoke at an Environment Committee meeting, giving reassurances that the council and its residents would be kept up-to-date with progress to improve the water quality and that work was underway to discover the cause of the Escherichia coli EC: E. coli colonies per 100ml; 3900 'spike' in August 2024 and exploring what could be done to prevent a reoccurrence.

There is a Deal Castle Beach information board on the promenade (at the bottom left of the Royal Hotel car park as you look from the beach). This shows emergency or storm overflows, a sign to 'advice against swimming' and an A4 sheet of the latest sampling, conducted by the Environment Agency between May and September (please see photos attached)

There are two QR codes available on the sign; one takes you to a generic Environment Agency page, the second to the latest sampling results.

A result of 9,900 Escherichia coli (EC) colonies per 100ml is considerably the highest recorded reading since 2021.

Deal Town Council has contacted Dover District Council, Southern Water and Environment Agency to ask how this information is being shared with residents and visitors and to ask what is being done about the readings.

Recommendations

- For the Mayor of Deal to write Dover District Council and Environment Agency ask how a spike of this magnitude could occur and how the information will be shared with residents and local stakeholders. And, to write to Southern Water to ask why releases stopped after 2nd October 2021 but resumed again in Deal on Saturday 22 February 2025.
- To agree a budget of £100 for Deal Town Council to create four signs, two to be placed on each of the finger posts on the seafront and by Deal Library, with a QR code, signposting people to the latest sampling information.

Decision required: To accept the above recommendation

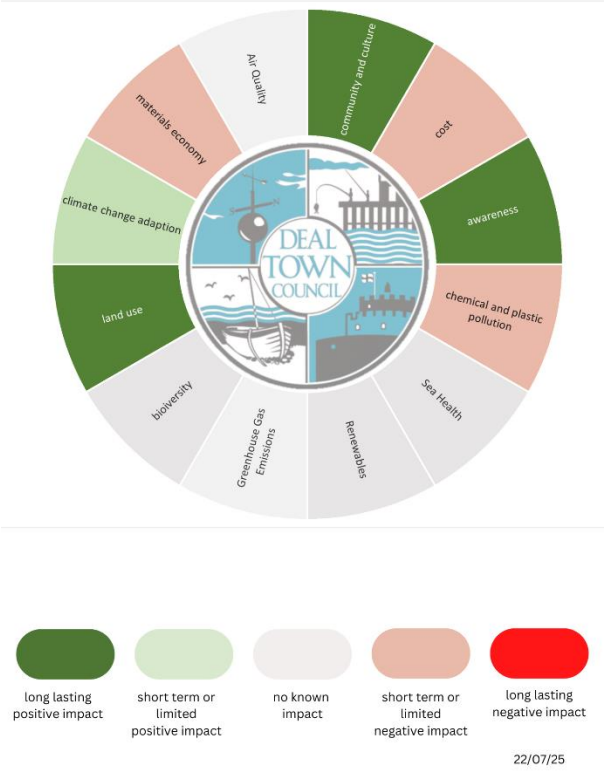


Deal Castle Beach information board

posts on the promenade
and outside Deal Library



Deal Bathing Water quality update



Deal Town Council
Nat West Combined A/C's

List of Payments made between 01/06/2025 and 30/06/2025

| Date Paid | Payee Name | Transaction Detail | Amount Paid |
|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 02/06/2025 | VIC YOUNG S S | OFFICIAL CAR LEASE | £ 390.89 |
| 02/06/2025 | SCREWFIX | MAINTENANCE TOWN HALL | £ 166.67 |
| 04/06/2025 | JEWSON | MATERIALS FOR PARK AVE | £ 299.87 |
| 04/06/2025 | TOTAL SUPPLIES | CLEANING SUPPLIES | £ 54.60 |
| 04/06/2025 | BRITISH TELECOM | BROADBAND TH | £ 62.82 |
| 05/06/2025 | VODAFONE BUSINESS | WORK MOBILES | £ 143.67 |
| 06/06/2025 | GDPR INFO LTD | DPO ANNUAL RENEWAL | £ 840.00 |
| 09/06/2025 | NEATHOUSE PARTNERS | HR & HS PACKAGE | £ 366.00 |
| 09/06/2025 | ATMAN UK | PAT TESTING TH | £ 178.20 |
| 09/06/2025 | SURF AND TURF INSTANT | EVENTS GAZEBO | £ 684.00 |
| 09/06/2025 | PRINTED.COM | TABLECLOTH FOR EVENTS | £ 107.50 |
| 09/06/2025 | GH DISPLAY | DISPLAY A FRAMES | £ 166.20 |
| 09/06/2025 | GLOBAL4 TELECOM | LANDLINE TH | £ 218.65 |
| 11/06/2025 | WALKER HIGHWAYS | SAT MKT ROAD CLOSURES | £ 1,650.00 |
| 11/06/2025 | BRIGHTSIDE PUBLISHING | BRADERIE ADVERT | £ 348.00 |
| 11/06/2025 | JEWSON | DIGGER HIRE FOR ALLOTS | £ 303.90 |
| 16/06/2025 | MARKET TRADER | REF OF MKT PAYMENT | £ 25.00 |
| 16/06/2025 | DNA PAYMENTS | CARD MACHINE VIC | £ 35.38 |
| 16/06/2025 | NAT WEST | BANK CHARGES | £ 29.25 |
| 17/06/2025 | VIKING OFFICE DEPOT | OFFICE SUPPLIES | £ 242.30 |
| 18/06/2025 | DELL | IT FOR TOWN HALL | £ 688.74 |
| 18/06/2025 | HOPKINS AED | DE FIB CHECK TH | £ 105.00 |
| 18/06/2025 | KENT PENSION FUND | EE PENSION | £ 1,417.00 |
| 18/06/2025 | KENT PENSION FUND | ER PENSION | £ 5,618.96 |
| 19/06/2025 | ADM COMPUTER SERV | IT SUPPORT TH | £ 945.54 |
| 19/06/2025 | DDC | BUS RATES JUNE 2025` | £ 1,272.00 |
| 19/06/2025 | STAFF NET PAY | STAFF NET PAY | £ 20,214.86 |
| 20/06/2025 | HOPKINS AED | DEFIB AFTERCARE | £ 249.48 |
| 20/06/2025 | MARKET TRADER | REF OF MKT PAYMENT | £ 25.00 |
| 20/06/2025 | HMRC | EE PAYE | £ 4,156.54 |
| 20/06/2025 | HMRC | EE NI | £ 924.52 |
| 20/06/2025 | HMRC | ER NI | £ 3,254.61 |
| 23/06/2025 | BUSINESS STREAM | WATER GR ALLOTS | £ 7.60 |
| 26/06/2025 | JACKSON FENCING | HEDGEHOG BOARDS | £ 351.60 |
| 27/06/2025 | SANDWICH TC | MAYORAL VISIT | £ 68.00 |
| 27/06/2025 | DEAL COM CARNIVAL | COMMUNITY GRANT 2025 | £ 2,000.00 |
| 30/06/2025 | SUEZ RECYCLING | WASTE & RECYCLING TH | £ 121.18 |
| 30/06/2025 | NAT WEST | BANK CHARGES | £ 78.21 |
| | | | £ 47,811.74 |

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| 09/06/2025 | SURF AND TURF INSTANT | EVENTS GAZEBO | £ 684.00 |
| 11/06/2025 | WALKER HIGHWAYS | SAT MKT ROAD CLOSURES | £ 1,650.00 |
| 18/06/2025 | DELL | IT FOR TOWN HALL | £ 688.74 |
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| 27/06/2025 | DEAL COM CARNIVAL | COMMUNITY GRANT 2025 | £ 2,000.00 |
| | | | £ 43,666.77 |

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

To: Cllr Mike Eddy Chairperson of Deal Town Council & All council members
From: Mrs L Crow, Town Clerk
Date: 16 July 2025
Re: **The King's Visit to Deal**

In April the Mayor, Cllr Richardson, advised me in confidence that the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports was planning a reception at Walmer Castle in July and it was hoped that a senior Royal VIP would be in attendance.

Subsequently, the Cinque Port towns were contacted by the Confederation with invitations advising that a senior VIP may be in attendance and to invite two worthy causes from their towns. The guidance was that *such causes should reflect the extraordinary nature of the volunteering and charity of the region, as well as the creative and cultural heritage within the Cinque Port towns*. We were advised that the Senior VIP would then select which town would receive a special visit, so the pressure was on to put in an impressive bid!

The instruction given was that all this information was to be held in the strictest confidence. With this in mind and not wanting to jeopardize what we realised could be a very big opportunity for the town, the Mayor and I decided to manage the decisions required under my delegated powers.

The Mayor asked me to choose and nominate three causes for Deal. With his agreement I submitted the following bid:

The three worthy causes who reflect the nature of the volunteering and charity in Deal that we recommend are brought to the attention of the senior VIP during his/her visit in July are as follows

1. Deal With It (Captain's Garden)

This is an incredible group of volunteers who can, and do, turn their hand to almost anything to improve our natural and community environment.

Since 2017, through running and developing the Captain's Garden, they have restored the 300 year-old walled garden at Deal Castle for community use. They have recently planted a vineyard and are once again welcoming local schools and groups who learn and benefit from a close proximity to nature.

(Historically, under the command of the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, a Captain of Deal was appointed. The gardens were originally created by Sir John Norris, a distinguished Admiral of the Royal Navy who was appointed Captain in 1715. It is rumoured there was local rivalry between the Captain and Lionel Sackville, the first Duke of Dorset, who at the time was also renovating nearby Walmer Castle, which then became the official residence of the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports.)

Deal With It also organize monthly beach cleans along Deal shores, maintain the town's station planters and manage Deal Hop Farm - a collective of more than 270 gardens, allotments and community spaces in a patchwork of mini-farms growing hops. Growers come together each September to harvest their hops and their bounty is taken away and brewed.

The team also work with local farmers and gleaning volunteers who harvest unwanted crops of fruit and vegetables, this year gathering an extraordinary 2.1 tonnes of produce.

This was donated to Deal Area Foodbank and Deal Pantry, allowing them to support more than 7,300 local people in our community facing food poverty.

2. Deal Area Foodbank and Deal Pantry

Are a team of dedicated volunteers that help stock and run the foodbank warehouse in the heart of town and supply smaller foodbanks in and around Deal. They support the team who are on the end of the phone to give help to those in need and delivering vital supplies, give assistance with energy bills and signpost to additional advice too.

This year they launched Deal Pantry which has revolutionised their offering. The Pantry is a special shop that has been built at the Welfare Club and is also staffed by volunteers. Guests pay a small membership fee when attending and are then free to choose from a wide variety of foods to suit their family's needs – much like a traditional grocery shop but at a fraction of the cost.

The foodbank is supported by donations, and they are often out and about, supporting events in the community and raising the profile of their work. A regular donation event is held at a local supermarket with shoppers encouraged to buy just one more item and donate to the charity, and this is organised by Deal Pirates.

3. Deal Pirates

The motto of the Deal Pirates is 'having fun getting things done' and they are now a set piece of life in the town – complete with 6ft talking parrot.

They are a merry band of residents who volunteer their time and expertise to raise funds, support events and make all our lives that little bit better.

The breadth of talent of their volunteers means they tackle a wide range of projects - they can be found making insect boxes for schools, offering marshalling for Deal Pride, organising the incredibly popular Boxing Day Dip, repainting and upgrading facilities, creating community gardens, decorating the High Street with Christmas trees in the winter and bunting in the summer and also hosting an annual family fun-day picnic – you name it, they'll try it and they do it all for free too.

All three of these charities give more than just a response to the need they directly address – each has adapted to support the work of others and to build solid communities of friendship and support to those who donate their time and support them.

An invitation to these three charities would be an extraordinary honour, validation and acknowledgement of their tremendous efforts for our town.

In May the Mayor, Cllr Richardson and our Events Manager met with the Lord Warden to carry out a site visit in Deal with the admin team from the Palace and other key officials.

We received the fantastic news that Deal had been chosen for the official visit, and it was confirmed that the Senior VIP visiting Deal was His Majesty the King. This information was again given in the strictest confidence and only shared with the Mayor and mayoral team.

From there our involvement was to assist the Lord Warden's admin team with contact details and attend DDC's Event Safety Advisory Group (ESAG) meetings.

After the Annual Meeting of the Council when Cllr Mike Eddy was elected as Mayor I shared with him all the information to date and we prepared for the Lord Warden's reception on 10 July.

All the arrangements for the day were made by the Lord Warden and his team, the Palace, Dover District Council and the Police. Deal Town Council's Mayoral team assisted when required.

The Lord Lieutenants office shared the news of the King's planned visit the night before the event and we were then able to contact all staff and councillors to share what information we could make available.

I am delighted to report that the day was a wonderful success. The Mayor and I attended the reception at Walmer Castle where all the Cinque Port Mayors and Town Clerks were in attendance to greet the Lord Warden and his Majesty the King.

The Mayor and I then made our way to the Captain's Garden to arrive just in time before the King who spent time with our three nominated charities, and met with school children, and the Leaps and Bounds charity, before moving across the road to meet with members of the public.

The King was then driven to the lifeboat station to meet the RNLI crew and volunteers and assist Pick Deal Clean volunteers with beach cleaning followed by a public walk about whilst the Royal Marine Reserve Band played at the Bandstand.

The Mayor has sent letters to the King and Lord Warden thanking them on behalf of the Council and town.

Decision required: Members to note the report

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Cllr M Eddy, Chairperson of Deal Town Council, All Council Members
FROM: Nadine Miller, Climate change, projects & communications officer
DATE: 21 July 2025
SUBJECT: Deal Together (formally Deal Warm Welcome)

A memo and project plan outlining Deal Together (formerly Deal Warm Welcome) was submitted to Full Council in June. Members RESOLVED: To send back to officers to work into strategy/plan for more emphasis on social isolation and bring to the July meeting of Full Council for decision.

Deal Warm Welcome has traditionally built a sense of community and friendship at venues across the town, tackling loneliness and social isolation. The second vital part in the project was immediate financial help and support that struggling families receive.

The Town Clerk, R.F.O and Project and Communications Officer have met to explore further options for this initiative and the updated project plan now reflects an extended project that will run for 20 weeks across the winter of 2025/26 and provision also includes hosting a week-long event at the Town Hall, tailored to help people connect and reduce social isolation.

It also recognises the importance of immediate crisis support, as identified in the project reports for Deal Warm Welcome 2023/2024 and 2024/25.

A food and fuel voucher grant scheme has now been introduced, providing funding support to organisations identified who are best placed to offer immediate help for those struggling to feed their families or heat their homes.

An allowance of £300 for marketing has been added following feedback to improve engagement. A comprehensive leaflet will be produced, guiding people to additional support and signposting to promote better health and wellbeing. It will be published in English, Arabic and Ukrainian.

Further consultation about the scheme with partner agencies has led the Town Clerk, R.F.O and Project and Communications Officer to recommend keeping the project name 'Deal Warm Welcome' as it has become established as an essential service for residents, is a name that is fit for purpose and a change will cause confusion.

Recommendations:

- 1) Members to consider and agree the updated project plan
- 2) Members to consider and agree the name of the project is Deal Warm Welcome.
- 3) Members to delegate authority to the Town Clerk in liaison with the R.F.O and Project & Communications Officer to make any further decisions regarding this year's project.
- 4) Members to consider and agree adding Health & Wellbeing to the criteria on the Project Plan Template.

Decisions required:

Members to consider the above.

Deal Town Council PROJECT PROPOSAL

The Council will consider new project proposals twice a year, in June and October.

It will be at the Town Clerk's discretion if a project proposal is brought forward outside of these two months in liaison with the Chairperson of the relevant committee or Chairperson of the Council.

Project proposals must demonstrate how the project fits with Deal Town Council Policies or Commitments.

The following to be completed in detail by all Councillors and Officers bringing forward a new project for consideration. (*Sections 1 – 9 must be completed. Section 10 is to be completed if a detailed plan is available.*)

Project Title: Deal Together 25/26 (formerly Deal Warm Welcome)

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PROJECT AIM (*A short statement – about 100 words. What would be the key activities? What changes do you want to see? What will the wider impact be?*)

Deal Together (formerly Deal Warm Welcome) will support venues for 20 weeks across the winter months to foster friendship and community, to help tackle social isolation and provide funding support to organisations best placed to offer immediate help for those struggling to feed their families or heat their homes.

A programme of events at the Town Hall to be explored to encourage people to connect and become healthier to help combat social isolation.

An improved marketing campaign with additional literature will provide additional support and signposting to promote better health and wellbeing in the town.

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LEAD BODY: Deal Town Council

LEAD PERSON: Project & Communications Officer in liaison with the Town Clerk and R.F.O

POTENTIAL PARTNERS: NHS Deal Social Prescribing team, United Families, Deal Pantry, Talk It Out, Age UK, Home Start, Memory Café, Deal Area Foodbank, Porchlight, Shelter, St Richard's Church, St Andrew's Church, Trinity Church and St George's Church

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PROJECT SUMMARY (*A longer explanation - What will happen? How will it be done? Who will benefit?*)

Deal Town Council has identified and will fund six venues across the town who will provide a weekly safe space of friendship and community during the winter months.

Support agencies will be invited to visit the venues to help people connect, and give information and advice. These will include, but are not limited to, United Families, Deal Pantry, Porchlight, Talk it Out, Age UK, Home Start, Shelter, Citizens Advice Bureau and Memory Café.

A food and fuel voucher grant scheme will be set up and organisations identified within the project that are best placed to allocate and administer such an initiative will be invited to apply for funds. See appendix 1.

NHS Deal Social Prescribing team (or similar) to be invited to hold a programme of events for one week during the winter months at the Town Hall that will encourage people to connect and become healthier to help combat social isolation

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PROJECT PERIOD (*How long will the project run? When do you want it to start?*)

For 20 weeks from Monday 3 November 2025 to Thursday 2 April 2026

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EVIDENCE OF NEED: (*Why is it needed? How do you know?*)

For the last three years, Deal Warm Welcome has helped residents in need and has established itself as an essential service.

Each year, since 2022, a report is submitted to Full Council detailing the impact and effects of the project and how it has continued to evolve to meet an ever-growing need and to give people immediate help to feed their families and heat their homes.

The English Indices of Deprivation 2019 shows Middle Deal is one of five wards in the Dover District that are in the top 10% most deprived in England.

In Middle Deal, 37% of children aged between 0-15 years are living in income- deprived families.

There is a clear need for help in Deal and this is also borne out by the feedback from three years of Deal Warm Welcome in reports from 2022/23, 23/24 and 24/25.

According to the latest research from the [Marmalade Trust](#): "Recent studies suggest that long-term loneliness is one of the largest health concerns we face. It is as harmful as obesity or smoking 15 cigarettes a day. Feeling lonely can lead to depression, anxiety, disrupted sleep and stress. It can also be a factor in heart disease, increased blood pressure and degenerative brain diseases such as Alzheimer's."

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OBJECTIVES AND TARGETS (What will have happened by the end? NB your targets must be measurable).

Deal Together (formerly Deal Warm Welcome) will continue to offer community, friendship, wellbeing and support to people of all ages across the town during the winter of 2025/26.

The project will have improved the health and wellbeing of those who is has supported and given them the opportunity to seek help too.

Residents struggling to heat their homes or afford food will be given immediate help to buy fuel and food.

A report will be published at the close of the project that will show the number of guests welcomed across the six venues, contain a breakdown of how the food and fuel voucher grant scheme was allocated and how many people were supported.

7

SUSTAINABILITY (*Will the actions carry on after the project closes? Will it end and close down?*)

Deal Together (formerly Deal Warm Welcome) will close in April 2026 and a report of the project will be submitted to Full Council. Consideration will then be given to see if the project is to be repeated.

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ESTIMATED BUDGET

How much do you think it will cost? £ £9,980

Where will this come from: £10,000 Warm Places budget line

How does it represent Value for Money?:

An allowance of £300 for marketing to provide additional support and signposting to promote better health and wellbeing in the town has been included.

A budget of £1,000 set aside to fund a series of events at the Town Hall.

Venue funding equates to £4,680 of the total amount. The venue funding will again be allocated in two tranches; the second payments released upon receipt of completed monitoring forms.

The food and fuel voucher grant scheme budget is £4,000. This will be in two tranches - £2,000 available in each round

OTHER RESOURCES (*Will it need staff time? Volunteer support?*);

750 volunteer hours and 115 staff hours

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How does the project fit with the existing commitments or policies of Deal Town Council?

| Policy/Commitment | FIT Yes/No | Comments |
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| The Town Plan Action | Yes | <p>Deal Town Council to seek ways to engage better and make people feel they are listened to.</p> <p>Deal Town Council to review how voluntary and community groups are supported by the Council and establish what their needs are and how best to support them.</p> |

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| | | <p>Council to build links with organisations which support vulnerable people e.g. people living with dementia, neurodiversity, sight or hearing impairment</p> <p>Deal Town Council to seek ways to engage and involve young people.</p> |
| Climate Action Strategy | Yes | A community response to climate action - encourage people to improve the thermal performance of their homes |
| The Declaration of Ecological Emergency | No | |
| The City of Sanctuary Strategy | Yes | <p>The relief of financial hardship amongst those granted and seeking refugee status and their dependents living (temporarily or permanently) in Deal and the surrounding area</p> <p>The provision of facilities for the recreation or other leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life of those persons who have a need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances</p> <p>To develop the capacity & skills of the members of the refugee community in Deal in such a way that they are better able to identify and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society</p> |

| Please complete the ACTION PLAN below if a detailed plan is available. | | | |
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| 10 PROJECT ACTION PLAN | | | |
| ACTION REQUIRED | WHEN BY | WHO | NOTES |
| Deal Together (formerly Deal Warm Welcome) project plan submitted to Full Council for consideration | July 2025 | Project & Communications officer, Town Clerk & R.F.O | |
| Explore provision for wellbeing & social isolation support provider for a week-long event during the winter at the Town Hall to help people connect and to improve their physical and mental well-being | August 2025 onwards | Project & Communications officer | |
| Confirm event provider for wellbeing & social isolation week-long event at the Town Hall during the winter at the Town Hall & budget | September 2025 | R.F.O, Town Clerk & Project & Communications Officer | |
| Confirm all six venues, agree provision and sign new contacts with each partner agency | September 2025 | R.F.O, Project & Communications officer | |
| Invite applications for the first round of the food and fuel voucher grant scheme | October 2025 | Town Clerk, R.F.O & Project & Communications officer | |
| Share report of final Deal Warm Welcome in the media | October 2025 | Project & Communications officer | |
| Transfer funding to each partner agency and organisation | October 2025 | R.F.O | |
| Confirm programme of events at the Town Hall | October 2025 | Town Clerk and Project & Communications officer & R.F.O | |
| Begin promoting Deal Together (formerly Deal Warm Welcome); update website, social media campaign, produce suite of marketing materials, secure media advert campaign | October 2025 | Project & Communications officer | |
| Schedule visits to all venues to ensure all are fully supported and to capture information and pictures for additional media coverage | December 2025 | Project & Communications officer | |
| Invite applications for the second round of the food and fuel voucher grant scheme | January 2026 | Town Clerk, R.F.O & Project & Communications officer | |
| Receive first round of monitoring information from venues and release second phase of funding | February 2026 | R.F.O & Project & Communications officer | |

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| Deal Together draws to a close | Thursday 2 April 2026 | Venues | |
| Full report submitted to Full Council | June 2026 | Project & Communications Officer, Town Clerk & R.F.O | |

Deal Town Council

Food & Fuel Voucher Application Form 2025-26

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| 1. Your Organisation | | |
| Name of organisation | | |
| Contact name and position in organisation | NAME: POSITION: | |
| Contact details | ADDRESS: TEL: EMAIL: | |
| Registered charity / CIO | YES/NO: | Charity No: |
| Co. Ltd by Guarantee or CIC | YES/NO: | Company No: |
| Community Group, Club or Association | YES/NO: | Details: |
| Other | YES/NO: | Details: |

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| 2. Type of funding being applied for (choose only one) | |
| A: Food & fuel voucher funding for direct support organisations identified within the project: - Total grant available: £1,000 (paid in two tranches) | |
| B: Food & fuel voucher funding for venues identified within the project:- Total grant available: £200 (paid in two tranches) | |
| Type of funding being applied for (choose only one) | |

Grant Conditions

- i. Applications will only be considered from organisations identified within the project.
- ii. The grant can only be used for the purpose stated in the application. Deal Town Council reserves the right to reclaim any grant not being used for the specified project/activity.
- iii. Successful applicants will be required to provide monitoring information on how and when the funds were distributed
- iv. Should the organisation disband or the project cease during the grant period Deal Town Council may ask for all or part of the grant to be paid back.
- v. Organisations are responsible for ensuring that they comply with all legal and statutory requirements.
- vi. To be eligible for a grant an organisation shall not discriminate on the grounds of racial origin, gender, disability, age (except for obvious reasons, such as becoming a member of a youth club), and political or religious persuasion
- vii. Acknowledgment of the grant received from Deal Town Council is required on documentation, on promotional literature, websites and on social media. The Deal Town Council logo will be supplied on request for this purpose.
- viii. Successful applicants will be required to provide monitoring information on how and when the funds were distributed

3. Declaration.

*I declare that the information given is correct
I have read and agree to adhere to the conditions.*

Signed

Date

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| <i>Payee for grant payment (if an individual's name please explain why)</i> | <i>Name:</i> |
| | <i>BANK Details:</i> |

Completed forms must be returned to the Responsible Finance Officer, Deal Town Council, Town Hall, High Street, Deal, Kent CT14 6TR. Any enquiries or assistance required in completing this form should be made to the Responsible Finance Officer. Tel: 01304 361999 or e-mail: paul.bone@deal.gov.uk.

The declaration at the end of the application form must be signed and dated, forms sent in electronically require either a scanned copy of the final page with signature or a final signed page to be submitted by post.

| For Town Hall use only. | |
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| Date application received | |
| Form checked by | |
| Date application validated by R.F.O. | |
| Date application considered by Town Clerk & R.F.O. | |
| Decision | |
| Date applicant notified of decision | |
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Deal Town Council
Food & Fuel Voucher Grant Monitoring Form 2025-26

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DEAL TOWN COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

TO: Cllr M Eddy, Chairperson of Deal Town Council
All Councillors
FROM: Mrs L Crow, Town Clerk
DATE: 20 June 2025
SUBJECT: General Power of Competence

The General Power of Competence gives Councils more flexibility as it is essentially a 'power of the first resort'. This means that when using a power to act, the first question to ask is whether we can use GPC (Localism Act 2011 s1 (1)). To find the answer, we ask whether an individual is normally permitted to act in the same way.

The council can also undertake activities using GPC outside the confines of the town (s1(4a)). It isn't necessary that the activity is for the benefit of the council, the area or the community (s1(4c)) although, in practice, residents might object if they can't see the benefit. Unlike the Local Government Act 1972, s137, it doesn't matter whether there are any other specific powers permitting the council to take action (s1(5)). So, for example, a council can use GPC to build a sports facility even though there is another power enabling it to do the same thing (Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19).

As always, the council is expected to act in accordance with the general principle of 'reasonableness' established by the Wednesbury court case in 1948. The judgement made it clear that a council can exercise reasonable discretion when interpreting legislation provided that it justifies its decision in terms of relevant, rather than irrelevant, matters.

The General Power of Competence cannot be used to raise the precept, and although councils are encouraged to be innovative, they should be aware of the risk of being challenged, the damage to reputation and public money if a project goes wrong.

Existing duties remain in place, such as having regard to the likely effect on crime and disorder, biodiversity and the duty to provide allotments.

Existing financial and procedural duties remain in place for regulating governance for example, no delegation to a single councillor.

Councils must continue to comply with relevant existing legislation, employment law, Health and Safety legislation, equality legislation and duties related to data protection and freedom of information.

In order to use this power a Council must at the time of adopting the power meet the following criteria:

- employ a qualified Clerk
- have at least two thirds of elected members (not co-opted).

Criteria for Eligibility

I am pleased to advise that Deal Town Council meets the eligibility for the General Power of Competence.

The Council currently has the criteria of elected number of councillors and the Town Clerk has been CiLCA qualified since 2011 and GPC qualified since 2013.

Declaration of General Power of Competence

The council must decide, at a meeting of full council, that it meets the criteria for eligibility at that particular point in time.

A resolution to this effect must be written clearly in the minutes of that meeting.

The council is then required to revisit that decision and make a new resolution at every 'relevant' annual meeting of the council to confirm that it still meets the criteria (if it does).

This means that eligibility remains in place until the first annual meeting of the council after the ordinary election even if the condition of the eligibility criteria has changed.

Recommendation:

Deal Town Council declares that it meets the criteria for eligibility to have the General Power of Competence and will review this decision at the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2026.

Decision required:

Members to consider the above recommendation

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

To: Cllr M Eddy - Chairperson of Deal Town Council,
All Council Members
From: Mr P Bone. Responsible Finance Officer
Date: 21st July 2025
Subject: **Recommendation from the T&I Committee regarding E-Bikes**

At the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on the 15th July 2025, members considered a report from the R.F.O regarding the future of the council's E-bikes.

The current hire agreement for the E-bikes ends on 31st July and the hirer does not want to renew the agreement due to the age and bulk of this type of E-bike.

Based upon the age of the E-bikes (nearly 6 years old now), the fact that there are now other outlets hiring out much newer E-Bikes in the town and the difficulty that has been experienced in finding partners to hire out the E-bikes from suitable locations, members of the T&I Committee **RESOLVED:** *To recommend to Full Council, that based upon the age of these E-bikes and the fact that other outlets in the town are now hiring out much newer E-bikes that the E-bikes are sold.*

Recommendation:

To allow sufficient time for Officers to explore options regarding the disposal of the E-Bikes, the R.F.O. recommends that members consider delegating authority to the R.F.O. and Town Clerk to explore possible options and bring back an options paper to the next meeting of Full Council for members to consider.

Decision Required:

Members to consider the above recommendation.

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

To: Cllr Mike Eddy Chairperson of Deal Town Council & All council members
From: Mrs L Crow, Town Clerk
Date: 17 July 2025
Re: **Response received from Minister for Border Security regarding UK Citizenship Policy.**

At the February meeting of Full Council members considered a report from Cllr Bano regarding a government proposal that ensured asylum seekers who arrived through 'dangerous means' from 10 February 2025 would not be able to claim citizenship in the future.

As Deal Town Council is a Council of Sanctuary, this new legislation went against the ethos of that pledge which states:

- Deal Town Council is committed to welcoming asylum seekers and refugees to Deal.
- Deal Town Council recognises the potential of refugees and their contribution to our town.
- Deal Town Council adopts a comprehensive, co-ordinated and forward-looking approach to the needs and welfare of people moving into the town and supports building community cohesion between new and existing communities.
- Deal Town Council, in conjunction with DARA, will work to implement the City of Sanctuary pledges through its action and policies together with its partners in the statutory and voluntary sectors.
- Signing the membership pledge means Deal Town Council will develop a "Town of Sanctuary" strategy and ensure the needs of refugees and asylum seekers are considered in its policies and working practices.

Members RESOLVED: That the Chairperson of the Council writes to the local MP, the Home Secretary and the Immigration Minister explaining the following; That as a Council of Sanctuary, Deal welcomes asylum seekers and refugees, recognising their potential and reasons for seeking safety. To provide safe and legal routes for people fleeing war, famine and persecution to claim asylum. People who are granted asylum should be able to access UK citizenship.

A response has now been received from Dame Angela Eagle DBE MP the Minister for Border Security & Asylum.

Decision required: Members to consider the attached.



Home Office

Dame Angela Eagle DBE MP
Minister for Border Security &
Asylum
2 Marsham Street
London SW1P 4DF
www.gov.uk/home-office

Cllr Oliver Richardson
Worshipful Town Mayor of Deal
Deal Town Council
Town Hall
High Street
Deal
CT14 6TR

DECS Reference: MIN/1342900/25

26 June 2025

Dear Cllr Richardson,

Thank you for your letter of 22 May to the Home Secretary on behalf of Deal Town Council about safe and legal routes, the asylum system and a pathway to citizenship. I am replying as the Minister for Border Security & Asylum.

Safe and legal routes

The UK has a proud record of providing protection for people who need it. However, there is no provision within our Immigration Rules for someone to be allowed to travel to the UK to seek asylum or temporary refuge. Whilst we sympathise with people in many difficult situations around the world, we are not bound to consider asylum claims from the very large numbers of people overseas who might like to come here. Those who need international protection should claim asylum in the first safe country they reach – that is the fastest route to safety.

We welcome people at risk through global resettlement schemes which include the UK Resettlement Scheme, community sponsorship and Mandate Resettlement Scheme. Alongside these schemes, we operate country-specific schemes for those fleeing Ukraine and Afghanistan, and an immigration route for British National (Overseas) status holders from Hong Kong, as well as Displaced Talent initiatives which help displaced populations to access a Skilled Worker visa. Our family reunion policy also allows immediate family members of those granted protection in the UK to stay with them or join them here, if they formed part of the family unit before the sponsor fled their country.

This commitment, alongside a fair and firm asylum system, will ensure we continue to offer safe and legal routes to the UK for those in need of protection. Our focus will remain on helping people directly from regions of conflict and instability.

There are additional safe and legal routes for people to come to the UK should they wish to join family members here, work or study. They would need to meet the requirements of the relevant Immigration Rule under which they were applying to qualify for a visa.

Approach to asylum decision making, backlog clearance and returns

All asylum claims that are lodged from within the UK and admitted to the UK asylum system are given full and careful consideration so that we do not remove anyone who faces persecution or serious harm on return to their country of origin. Each individual assessment is made against the background of relevant case law and the latest available country of origin information. This is based on evidence taken from a wide range of reliable sources, including reputable media outlets; local, national, and international organisations, including human rights organisations; and information from the Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office.

The Home Office continues to invest in a program of transformation and business improvement initiatives to focus on speeding up decision making and reduce the time people spend in the asylum system and decrease the number of people who are awaiting an interview or decision. This is enabling us to maximise our capacity and progress cases in a more efficient and cost-effective way. We have sufficient resources in place to clear the backlog and will strive to ensure that no new backlogs form.

It is right that we help individuals from around the world who are fleeing conflict and oppression, but the asylum system must be a fair and effective one so that we can better protect and support those in genuine need of asylum. Our approach is to promptly process asylum claims, with a rapid appeals process, so that people who are genuine asylum seekers can be accepted, and those who are not can be rejected. We have established a new returns and enforcement programme to ensure that asylum and immigration rules are properly respected and enforced. We are clear that we expect people with no right to be here to leave the country voluntarily but, where they do not, Immigration Enforcement will seek to enforce their departure.

Pathway to citizenship

The Home Office keeps all aspects of the immigration and asylum system under regular review and recently published a White Paper setting out the Government's plans for reform in relation to pathways to citizenship, as well as a wide range of other areas.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Angela Eagle".

Dame Angela Eagle DBE MP
Minister for Border Security & Asylum

**DEAL TOWN COUNCIL
MEMORANDUM**

To: Cllr Mike Eddy Chairperson of Deal Town Council & All council members
From: Mrs L Crow, Town Clerk
Date: 17 July 2025
Re: **Response received from Confederation of Cinque Ports regarding the
Installation of the Lord Warden Booklet**

At the February meeting of Full Council members were advised that the 50 copies of the souvenir Installation of the Lord Warden booklets purchased from the Confederation of the Cinque Ports at a cost of £100 had an unfortunate misprint in them.

The Confederation had used the Borough of Deal's coat of arms for Deal Town Council. This was a very unfortunate error as Deal Town Council and the Confederation of the Cinque Ports are not legally permitted to use this coat of arms.

In 2013 Deal Town Council had taken steps to remove this image from any displays, paperwork, road signs etc. and introduced our new agreed coat of arms (with the kind permission of the Confederation) that is used today. The Confederation were aware of this at that time and had a copy of the councils current coat of arms.

At the meeting Councillors made the following decision. "That the booklets purchased are not distributed and the Chairperson of the Council writes to the Confederation of Cinque Ports advising that the booklets will be returned to them, insisting on a refund or reprint, and request that in future a draft copy of publications are sent to Town Clerks for agreement before printing."

Response Received

The Solicitor to the Confederation of the Cinque Ports has responded to advise that they do not think this oversight impacts on the value of the booklet as a record of the day and for this reason do not agree to the request for a refund.

They will however add this to the agenda for the next meeting of the Standing Joint Committee to inform them of this request and their response.

I have responded to advise again that we are unable to distribute the booklet and to ask for confirmation that any reprints of the booklet will be replaced with Deal's correct coat of arms. I have also asked that should they need any further background information regarding this issue for the Standing Joint Committee agenda to please let me know.

Decision required:

Members to consider the above

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| Minutes - approved by Committee and signed by Chairperson 01/07/25 |
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Deal Town Council Town Hall, High Street, Deal, Kent, CT14 6TR.

Tel: 01304 361999. Email: deal.town.council@deal.gov.uk

The Minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 9th June 2025 at the
Town Hall at 7.15pm

Present: Cllr M Eddy (Chairperson)
Cllr T Bond (Vice Chairperson)
Cllr P Findley

Cllr A Friend
Ms E Fogarty (FOND)

Officers: Mrs L Marney – Committee Clerk

Others: 0

MINUTES

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| 1 | Chairperson's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and read out the fire evacuation procedures and advised Councillors to put their mobile phones on silent. The Chairperson thanked Cllr P Findley for being the previous Vice Chairperson, welcomed Cllr T Bond as the new Vice Chairperson and Cllr A Friend as a new member to the Planning Committee. | | | | Chairperson |
| 2 | Apologies for absence: Cllr M Walters due to prior commitments. Mr Robin Green (Co-opted member – The Deal Society) due to illness. | | | | Committee Clerk |
| 3 | Declarations of interest: Cllr A Friend declared VAOI's on planning applications 24/00858 - Sandfield Farm, 108 Northwall Road, Deal CT14 6PP, 25/00563 -100 Golf Road, Deal CT14 66QG as applicants are known to him. Cllr T Bond declared a VAOI on planning application 24/00670 - 71 London Road, Deal CT14 9TG as applicant is known to him. Cllr M Eddy declared a VAOI on planning application 25.00484 - 44 Godwyn Road, Deal CT14 6QW as applicant is known to him. | | | | |
| 4 | Public Participation and Statements received: None received. | | | | Committee Clerk |
| 5 | The minutes of the planning committee meeting held on 6th May 2025 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 6 th May 2025 as a true and accurate record. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes (P) Cllr P Findley (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed. | | | | Chairperson |
| 6 | Planning applications received: | | | | Committee Clerk |
| | DDC Ref | Ward | Address | Proposal | |
| | 24/00858 | ND | Sandfield Farm 108 Northwall Road Deal CT14 6PP | <u>Erection of 44 dwellings, parking and landscaping (existing buildings and structures to be demolished).</u> | |
| | | | | Members RESOLVED: Objection. Due to the increased traffic and lack of infrastructure and the development is in a flood risk area. The solution to the Plan D house type is out of character with | |

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| | | | | the other house types in the area. (P) Cllr P Findley. (S) Cllr M Eddy. 2 For, 1 Against, 1 Abstention. Motion carried. | |
| 25/00481 | ND | 92 Golf Road Deal CT14 6QG | <u>Erection of a single storey side/rear extension, insertion of 2 windows to ground floor side elevation (Existing conservatory and chimney to be removed).</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed. | |
| 25/00483 | MD | The Co-operative Food Hamilton Road CT14 9BE | <u>Installation of canopy, coldrooms and mechanical plant in rear yard, new launderette and parcel locker to side elevation and new bollards and external lights to the front and yard elevations.</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr T Bond. (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed. | |
| 25/00464 | ND | 11 Silver Street Deal CT14 6LB | <u>Repointing of front elevation and painting of existing painted masonry, render and joinery.</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed. | |
| 25/00526 | ND | 15 Canute Road Deal CT14 6QY | <u>Erection of a single storey rear/side extension (existing outbuildings and rear ramp to be demolished).</u> | Members RESOLVED: Objection. Due to an overdevelopment of the site and there is a flood risk to the 2 bedrooms on the ground floor. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr M Eddy. 3 For, 1 Against. Motion carried | |
| 25/00527 | MD | 273 London Road Deal CT14 9PW | <u>Erection of a detached garage (existing garage to be demolished).</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed. | |

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| 24/00670 | MD | 71 London Road Deal CT14 9TG | <u>Erection of 3 detached dwellings with parking (existing garage to be demolished) (self build).</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr P Findley. (S) Cllr A Friend. 3 For, 1 Abstention. Motion carried. |
| 25/00565 | ND | Saxby House 15 Victoria Road Deal CT14 7AS | <u>Erection of a single storey rear extension; new lightwells to rear elevation; new external steps and balustrade to existing front lightwell and insertion of door and 3 conservation roof windows (existing rear conservatory to be demolished).</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed. |
| 25/00566 | ND | Saxby House 15 Victoria Road Deal CT14 7AS | <u>Erection of single storey rear extension (demolition of conservatory), alteration to rear projection roof structure, installation of 3 no. rooflights, replacement of bay window with French doors, infill of openings, creation of new openings, relocation of doorway, introduction of partition walls, wall linings, insulation and mechanical ventilation, insertion of new lintel, replacement of 2 no. fire surrounds and refurbishment of</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed. |

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| | | | <u>existing windows.</u> <u>External works include</u> <u>introduction of 2</u> <u>no. light wells</u> <u>and balustrade</u> <u>and construction</u> <u>of external</u> <u>steps.</u> | |
| 25/00554 | ND | 44 Wellington Road Deal CT14 7AL | <u>Replace wall</u> <u>tiles with render.</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed. |
| 25/00563 | ND | 100 Golf Road Deal CT14 6QG | <u>Erection of a</u> <u>single storey</u> <u>side extension</u> <u>for use as</u> <u>annexe</u> <u>accommodation</u> <u>(existing garage</u> <u>to be</u> <u>demolished).</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr P Findley. (S) Cllr T Bond. 3 For, 1 Abstention. Motion carried. |
| 25/00583 | ND | 49 - 51 High Street Deal Kent CT14 6EL | <u>Display of 1</u> <u>non-illuminated</u> <u>fascia sign.</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed. |
| 25/00499 | ND | 100 High Street Deal CT14 6EE | <u>Certificate of</u> <u>lawfulness</u> <u>(existing) for the</u> <u>erection of rear</u> <u>extension with</u> <u>roof terrace.</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr M Eddy. (S) Cllr P Findley. All agreed. |
| 25/00484 | ND | 44 Godwyn Road Deal CT14 6QW | <u>Erection of a</u> <u>dwelling (self-</u> <u>build).</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr P Findley. 3 For, 1 Against. Motion carried. |
| 25/00492 | ND | 1 Ranelagh Road Deal Kent CT14 7BG | <u>Change of use</u> <u>from bed and</u> <u>breakfast to</u> <u>residential.</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr T Bond. (S) Cllr A Friend. All agreed. |
| 25/00552 | ND | 138A High Street Deal CT14 6BE | <u>Replacement</u> <u>windows to the</u> <u>rear elevation.</u> <u>Refurbishment</u> <u>of existing rear</u> <u>extension</u> <u>including</u> <u>replacement</u> <u>roof, windows</u> | Members RESOLVED: Objection. The proposed aluminium window frames to the rear of the property are not in keeping with conservation area. (P) Cllr A Friend. (S) Cllr P Findley. |

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| | | | | <u>and doors and external cladding.</u> | 3 For, 1 Against. Motion carried. | |
| | 25/00601 | MH | 11 Lydia Road Deal CT14 9JX | <u>Erection of a rear dormer to facilitate a loft conversion and change of roof slope from hip to gable.</u> | Members RESOLVED: No Objection. (P) Cllr T Bond. (S) Cllr M Eddy. 2 For, 2 Abstentions. Motion carried. | |
| 7 | Review - Planning Committee Terms of Reference: Following a discussion, Members RESOLVED: To accept the following recommendations, with an amendment to recommendation 1 to add “and other relevant policies.” to the end of the first paragraph of the terms of reference. 1. Members to agree to the above updates and add “and other relevant policies.” to the end of paragraph one, and to the new format for the Planning Committee terms of reference to be in line with the layout of other DTC Committees. 2. Members to agree that this new layout format and recommendations for the Planning Committee terms of reference are taken to Full Council for approval. (P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed. | | | | | Committee Clerk |
| 8 | DDC decisions: Members RESOLVED: To note the information. (P) Cllr A Friend (S) Cllr T Bond. All agreed. | | | | | Committee Clerk |
| | The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8.40pm | | | | | |

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The Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held at the Town Hall on
Wednesday 16th April 2025 at 7:15pm.

Present: Cllr S Brookfield (Chairperson)

Cllr D Cronk

Cllr L Craggs

Cllr B Bano

Cllr S Cullen

Ms H Charlton (Co-opted Member)

Officers: Mrs L Marney - Committee Clerk

Nadine Miller - Climate Change Officer

Others: 1 member of the public

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| 1 | Chairperson's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the fire evacuation procedures. He reminded those in attendance to switch their phones off or onto silent. | Chairperson |
| 2 | Apologies for absence: Cllr M Eddy, Cllr P Findley and Cllr M Cronk due to prior commitments. Mr D Carey (Co-opted Member) was absent. | Committee Clerk |
| 3 | Declarations of interest: None received. | |
| 4 | Public Participation: None received. | Committee Clerk |
| 5 | The minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Wednesday 12th February for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes from the previous Environment Committee meeting on Wednesday 12 th February as a true and accurate record. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr S Cullen. All agreed. | Chairperson |
| 6 | Action on Litter Project Update: Members RESOLVED: To accept the recommendation to note the report and for the Chairperson to draw the winner of the favoured pavement stencil design A. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr S Cullen. All agreed. | Committee Clerk |
| 7 | DDC Pesticide Usage Update: Following a discussion, Members RESOLVED: Committee to await further report from the DDC Climate & Nature Forum. Chairperson to explore pesticide usage in more detail and bring back information to the Committee. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr L Craggs. All agreed. | Chairperson |
| 8 | Hedgehog Friendly Deal Update: Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr B Bano. All agreed. | |
| 9 | National Grid Sea Link Update: Members RESOLVED: To note the report and for the Committee Clerk to continue providing updates. (P) Cllr D Cronk (S) Cllr S Cullen. All agreed. | Committee Clerk |
| 10 | Committee Clerk Report: Following discussion and a thank you from Cllr L Craggs for a detailed report, Members RESOLVED: To note the report. (P) Cllr L Craggs (S) Cllr D Cronk. All agreed. | Committee Clerk |
| | The Chairperson informed members of the date of next meeting on 19th June 2025 and closed the meeting at 7.37pm. | |

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The Minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 14th May 2025 at Deal Town Hall.

Present: Cllr M Walters (Chairperson) Ms C Dubber (Co-opted Member)
Cllr B Bano (Vice Chairperson) Ms L Sills (Co-opted Member)
Cllr M Eddy

Officers: Mrs L Marney (Committee Clerk) Other: None
Ms J Harper (Asst to the Town Clerk)

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| 1 | Chairman's opening remarks: The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the fire evacuation procedures. | Chairperson |
| 2 | Apologies for absence: Cllr T Bond & Cllr D Cronk due to prior commitments. Cllr D Parks and Cllr S Brookfield were absent. | Committee Clerk |
| 3 | Declarations of interest: None received. | |
| 4 | Public Participation and Statements received: None received | Committee Clerk |
| 5 | The minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on Wednesday 12th March 2025 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on Wednesday 12 th March 2025. The Chairperson duly signed the minutes. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr B Bano. All agreed. | Chairperson |
| 6 | DTC 3rd HIP Application: Recommendations: The Committee Clerk gave an update on the partial dropped kerb located at Grange Road off London Road. She advised that KCC are currently doing work to improve/repair the kerb. Following discussion Members RESOLVED: 1) To remove Priority 2, Grange Rd off London Rd and to keep the remaining priorities in order as the final draft to be submitted. 2) To delegate authority to the Deputy Town Clerk and Committee Clerk to submit the 3 rd HIP application to the KCC EHI Team by end of May 2025. 3) Committee Clerk to bring back DTC's 4th HIP application for suggestions to the November 2025 T&I Committee meeting. (P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr M Walters. All agreed. | Committee Clerk |
| 7 | KCC Results – West Street Speed/Traffic Survey: Following discussion, Members RESOLVED: 1. Members noted that information and requested the Committee Clerk to explore this further and obtain more information on 20mph and how much it will be to implement the scheme. 2. Committee Clerk writes back to the resident advising them of the survey results. (P) Cllr M Walters (S) Cllr M Eddy. All agreed. | Committee Clerk |

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| 8 | <p>DDC – Local Cycling & Walking Plan Consultation: Following discussion Members RESOLVED: To accept the following recommendations.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Due to the large number of questions and content requested on this consultation, members to complete the questionnaire individually online using the link provided. 2) Committee Clerk to send consultation to all DTC Councillors to complete. 3) Communications Officer to place this consultation on the DTC website. <p>(P) Cllr M Walters (S) Cllr B Bano. All agreed.</p> | Committee Clerk |
| 9 | <p>DDC Parking Strategy Update: Following discussion Members RESOLVED: To note the DDC Parking Strategy Update and advise all members of Deal Town Council. Committee Clerk to add the link for the Parking Strategy to the DTC Website.</p> <p>(P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr B Bano. All agreed.</p> | Committee Clerk |
| 10 | <p>Committee Clerk Report:</p> <p>Members RESOLVED: To note the report.</p> <p>(P) Cllr M Eddy (S) Cllr B Bano. All agreed.</p> | Committee Clerk |
| | The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8.01pm. | |