

HARWICH TOWN COUNCIL
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MINUTES OF A MEETING
of the GUILDHALL COMMITTEE
held on 15th JULY 2009 at 7.05pm
at the 1912 CENTRE, HARWICH, ESSEX

Present: Councillor B Brown in the Chair
The Mayor, Councillor J Wares
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor S Tyrer
Councillors: S Henderson, L Double and G Calver

Clerk to the Council, Mrs E Novorol

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- G01/09** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P Burke,
R Callender and M Gardner
- G02/09** **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**
RESOLVED: that Councillor R Callender is appointed Vice-Chairman
(in absentia, subject to his acceptance) for the forthcoming year.
- G03/09** **DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**
None
- G04/09** **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**
RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 26th November
2008 (previously circulated) be approved by the Chairman and signed as a
true record.
- G05/09** **ANNUAL REVIEW OF GUIDHALL HIRE CHARGES**
RESOLVED: to maintain charges at existing levels.
- G06/09** **KINDERTRANSPORT EXHIBITION**
The Committee were advised, that over the two weekends of opening, 508
people had attended including some survivors of the Kindertransport. The
Chairman thanked all councillors who had participated in the exhibition.
RESOLVED: to write to Mrs Anne Kemp-Luck and Mr Ray Plummer,
Honorary Archivists, to thank them for all their hard work in putting

together the exhibition. Also, to send thanks to Mrs M Coleman of Dovercourt Theatre Group and for the Mayor to write to the Association of Jewish Refugees and acknowledge its assistance in providing material.

Members were advised that of a minor accident as the display notice-board, placed at the entrance to the Guildhall, had blown over due to strong winds.

RESOLVED: to purchase an 'A Frame' notice-board, stating that the Guildhall is open, and with space for further details to be added.

G07/09 **ANTIQUA SILVER PUNCH LADLE**

Members considered exchanging the ladle's rosewood handle for a whalebone replacement as recommended by Mr Ron Chapman, goldsmith and repairer of Harwich Town Council's regalia.

RESOLVED: to retain the present rosewood handle.

G08/09 **GROUP VISIT TO THE GUILDHALL**

The Committee was advised of a request from members of Brightlingsea Society and Brightlingsea Town Council for a group visit to the Guildhall on 4th August to discuss the archive. Councillor Calver and Mr Ray Plummer will attend.

G09/09 **2009 HERITAGE OPEN DAYS**

Members noted that the Guildhall will be open for the 2009 Heritage Weekend on 12th and 13th September.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.38pm

CHAIRMAN:

DATE: