

# PENISTONE TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Ordinary Town Council Meeting held on July 20<sup>th</sup> 2015 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Shrewsbury Rd, Penistone**

**Present: The Deputy Mayor Cllr. Marsh, in the chair, Cllrs. Hinchliff, Mrs. Hinchliff, Kimberly, Ogle, Mrs. Rusby and Unsworth**

Also present the Town Clerk **K. Coulton, public and press.**

The Deputy **Mayor** offered ten minutes public participation prior to the meeting proper.

Comments from the public included:

Rumours that the Fur and Feather market may be returning with differing views some in favour, some not. **Cllr.Unsworth** commented that at this present time no planning applications had been received and local members would be consulted in the first instance. He was not in favour of it returning.

**Cllr. Mrs. Rusby** added that parking issues needed addressing should it return.

**Cllr. Unsworth** agreed to investigate traffic congestion adjacent to the new development at “Hawley’s Sawmill” and would suggest parking restrictions with officers.

**1. Apologies for absence – The Town Mayor and Mayoress Cllrs. Millner and Mrs. Millner Cllrs. Cutts, Chadburn, Denton Hayler, Hand – Davis, and Webber**

**RESOLVED** that the apologies are accepted

**2. Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interest**

In accordance with Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2011

The **Deputy Mayor** invited declarations of which there were **NONE**

**3 Approval of Minutes.**

The Minutes of the following meetings were **approved** a true record and signed by the **Town Mayor** accordingly

- a) The Town Council Meeting held on June 15<sup>th</sup> 2015
- b) The Planning Committee held on June 15<sup>th</sup> 2015
- c) Leisure and Amenities Committee held on June 29<sup>th</sup> 2015
- d) Development and Regeneration Committee held on July 6<sup>th</sup> 2015

**4. Reports from Elected Members of Barnsley M.B.C.**

**Cllr. Unsworth** commented on the recent Area Council meeting and that an increase in funding had been agreed to support community groups.

It was anticipated that the Local Plan would be delayed until 2017

The **Deputy Mayor** thanked **Cllr. Unsworth** for his report.

**5. Correspondence.**

The following items of correspondence were **NOTED**

- a) V. J .Day memorial service August 15<sup>th</sup> members to attend
  - b) South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue briefing note
- Signed.....Mayor 21/09/15

## Correspondence Continued

- c) Barnsley MBC – temporary reduction of the speed limit on Renald Lane
- d) Barnsley MBC Sheffield Road – road closure

### **6. Leisure and Amenities Report.**

**Cllr. Mrs. Hinchliff** reported on the following:

**Staffing:** Two relief staff have been appointed

**Bar:** Terms have been agreed for a new coffee machine this will be installed on July 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Programme:** Summer films have now been booked, unfortunately not a summer of classic films.

**Building:** A tidy up around the building has been arranged - weed removal etc.

The boiler will be replaced prior to September 15<sup>th</sup>

Recent power cuts have caused issues with the credit card chip and pin machine and this has needed replacing

**Live Events:** The second half of the year's live events are now all programmed.

Mike Harding has been added to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary week with his autobiographical show "Adventures of the Crumpsall Kid" on November 18<sup>th</sup> which will sell out judging by past experience.

The long awaited National Theatre Live production "Of Mice and Men" filmed in New York is also confirmed for November

### **7. Accounts and Finance.**

The following accounts had been previously circulated to Members and it was **RESOLVED** to approve the following:

a) The General Account to the sum of **£10,413.92**

b) The Paramount Account to the sum of **£26,689.73**

c) The following requests for financial assistance were approved

Penistone Literary Festival **£250.00**

Penistone Centre Stage Musicals **£250.00**

e) Approval of the internal audit report final visit 31/03/15

The Town Clerk read out the report from the internal auditor which confirmed work has been carried out with the audit plan. Appropriate tests and checks of the internal controls of both Town Council and Paramount management arrangements confirm that the systems of financial and other controls over the activities and operating procedures are effective

No matters arose from this work to give cause for concern and Section 4 of the Annual Return (annual internal auditors report) has been completed as required.

### **Fidelity Guarantee Insurance**

The level of fidelity guarantee insurance held by the Town Council is £300,000. Balances held at 31/03/15 were £250,000. As a general rule, an adequate level of cover is considered as the level of balances at the 31/03/15 plus half the precept. If these criteria are applied here then cover of at least £330,000 is required.

The Town Council is potentially under insured now that the balances are at a higher level than previous years and recommend that the level of cover is reviewed upon renewal.

Signed.....Mayor 21/09/15

## ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE CONTINUED

Following a brief discussion it was  
**RESOLVED** the level of Fidelity Guarantee is raised to £330.000

**8. Resource Centre** – No report for this period

**9. Community Centre** – No report for this period

**10. Public Toilets** –**Cllr. Marsh** reported that the new meter would be installed on August 18<sup>th</sup> once this has been installed work can proceed

**11. Neighbourhood Plan** – **AGREED** to defer to the meeting in September

**12. Date and Time of the next meeting.**

**September 21<sup>st</sup> 2015 at 7.00 pm in the Town Hall, Shrewsbury Rd, Penistone**

Signed.....Mayor 21/09/15