

PENISTONE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Town Council Meeting held on March 21st 2016 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Shrewsbury Rd, Penistone

Present: The Mayor Cllr. Millner, in the chair, Cllrs. Mrs. Millner, Chadburn, Cutts, Hand – Davis, Hayler, Hinchliff, Mrs. Hinchliff, Kimberley, Ogle, Mrs. Rusby, Unsworth and Webber.

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

The **Town Mayor** offered ten minutes public participation prior to the meeting proper. There being no questions the Mayor opened the meeting.

1. Apologies for absence – None

2. Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interest

In accordance with Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2011

The **Mayor** invited declarations of which Cllrs R & B Hinchliff declared interests in agenda item 7e as they are members of Penistone Cricket and Sports Club

3 Approval of Minutes.

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

a) The Town Council Meeting held on February 15th 2016

b) The Planning Committee held on February 15th 2016

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

Cllr. Unsworth reported on the recent meeting of the Ward Alliance and the grant funding approved. He also commented that the damage to the bus shelter and toilets had been an agenda item at the recent meeting of the South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive and that recent alterations to time tables should prevent further damage occurring. The situation will be monitored and if damage does persist action will be taken to carry out remedial work.

Cllr. Hand – Davis added that speed around the “square about” is on the increase and a review by Barnsley MBC Highways is required, possibly reducing the limit to 20mph Cllr. Millner stated that a review is to be carried out in the very near future.

The Ward Members were thanked for their reports.

5. Correspondence.

The following items of correspondence were **NOTED**

a) Barnsley MBC temporary road closure Haigh Lane Hoylandswaine

b) Rural Services Network

c) Northern Powergrid newsletter

d) Letter from Mr. D. Sissons re - proposed traffic light scheme Chapel Lane – it was agreed to write a formal response to the Chief Executive and Head of Planning at Barnsley MBC regarding these concerns and ask for a site visit with officers. The Town Clerk agreed to action.

e) South Yorkshire Police and crime Commissioner newsletter and media statement

Signed.....Mayor 18/04/16

Correspondence continued

- f) YLCA Funding and Grants Bulletin
- g) YLCA petition to give Councils the right to appeal planning decisions. Members agreed to acknowledge the petition.

6. Leisure and Amenities Report.

Cllr. Cutts reported on the following:

Films: A summary of up and coming films to the Paramount

Live: April 1st will see Dirty dancing followed by the return of Millhouse Green

Male Voice Choir with South Yorkshire Police Brass Band

Satellite: March 28th will see the stage version of the Railway Children

For the Queen's birthday from the National Theatre "The Audience" featuring Helen Mirren portraying the Queen.

Organ: April 9th the Organ trust will present its anniversary concert with

Kevin Grunill on the Compton Organ

Staffing: Fully staffed

Lease: ongoing no report for this period

Bar: Prices to be reviewed not anticipating any change

Building: Roof leaks above the stage area have been repaired, Non slip flooring is being provided throughout the building and the stage floor is to be repainted

Cllr. Cutts was thanked for his report

NOTED

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 **£20,899.75**

b) The Paramount Account to the sum of **£64,127.28**

c) The following requests for financial assistance were approved:

Penistone Community Arts £250.00

Friends of Penistone Church £200.00

Penistone Cricket and Sports Club £100.00

Friends of Penistone Home Library Service £250.00

8. Resource Centre

Cllr. Cutts stated that a meeting had recently been held regarding proposed budget cuts and restructure arrangements. Various issues were discussed however not confirmed to date

The situation will remain as it is on the current lease until any further development

NOTED

9. Community Centre

The **Town Clerk** stated that the centre is very busy at this present time with increased bookings and the rooms are to be painted at the earliest opportunity

NOTED

Signed.....Mayor 18/04/16

10. Public Toilets

In the absence of Cllr. Marsh the Town Clerk reported that painting of the interior of the bus shelter is imminent. The repairs to the roof damaged by a bus has now been repaired on a rechargeable basis and repointing to the walls and ridge tiles are ongoing.

NOTED

11. Neighbourhood Plan

The notes from the last meeting of the Steering Group were circulated for acknowledgement and **Cllr. Webber** commented that the next meeting will be on April 5th

NOTED

12. Casual Vacancy update

The Town Clerk read out the letter from Barnsley MBC Electoral Services which confirmed that the deadline date requesting a by – election had now expired and that the Town Council can proceed to co-opt a new member as soon as practicable. To comply with transparency and openness the vacancy will be advertised in the Barnsley Chronicle and on the Town Council website. Any person interested to write to the Town Clerk prior to the meeting in April (18th) The Town Clerk stated that he had received one letter of interest to date.

13. Date and Time of the next meeting.

April 18th 2016 at 7.00 pm in the Town Hall, Shrewsbury Rd, Penistone

Signed.....Mayor 18/04/16

