

**Minutes of the Development and Regeneration Committee meeting
held on Wednesday 25th September 2019, in the Bar Room,
St John's Community Centre, Penistone, at 7.00 p.m.**

**Present: Cllr Kimberley in the Chair and Councillors Barraclough, Bradbury, Cutts, Hinchliff,
G. Millner, A. Millner, Perkins, Unsworth, and Webber.**

A. Hart – Acting Town Clerk and Finance Officer
E.A. Wright – taking the Minutes

1. Apologies for Absence

None received

2. Declaration of Personal or Prejudicial Interest

In accordance with Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2011, the Chair invited declarations of absence. Councillors G. Millner and A. Millner declared an interest with respect to item 5 on the agenda – To consider quotations from architects for the extension of the Community Centre - as they both knew one of the architects who had submitted a quotation.

This was **NOTED** by the meeting.

3. Penistone against Plastic Pollution

Following the recent presentation at the Full Council meeting by volunteers for Penistone against Plastic Pollution, the Full Council had recommended that this matter be discussed further by the Development and Regeneration Committee.

The manager of the Paramount had submitted a report on the use of plastic at the cinema. Staff at the Paramount reviewed the use of plastic at the beginning of the year. As a result the drinking straws and popcorn boxes had been changed. Staff hand wash the plastic pots used in the bar as much as possible and customers are being offered reusable branded mugs. The report concluded that the Paramount was open to further suggestions and happy to support this initiative.

This was **NOTED** by the meeting.

There followed a discussion about the use of single use plastic in particular. The Acting Clerk reported new beakers had been purchased for use at Council meetings. She would be contacting the Leisure Centre about its policy of discouraging the use of plastic at children's parties and whether it could be implemented at the Community Centre. It was noted that the Community Centre's kitchen was stocked with china and cutlery and no plastic was used.

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For Councillors who had been unable to attend the Council meeting, Cllr A. Millner outlined the details of the presentation and its aim to have a plastic free status for Penistone similar to that of a Fair Trade town.

Cllr Webber suggested that an item could be put on the Town Council's website to encourage other groups and organisations to cut back the use of single use plastic.

It was agreed that Penistone against Plastic Pollution would be given free use of the Community Centre for an event to promote the initiative.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY** agreed that the Committee recommends that this item be taken to the next Full Council for approval.

4. Proposal for a "Bits & Bobs" Market

Cllr Bradbury reported some members of the public wished to launch a Bits & Bobs market in the barn, no livestock would be for sale. The proposed market would make further use of the barn and it was noted that traders would be asked to drop of goods and park their vehicles behind Tesco.

It was **AGREED** that Cllr A. Millner contacts BMBC Markets Team to discuss the feasibility of a Bits & Bobs market. Councillors A. Millner, Perkins and Webber would work together on this proposal and report back to the Development and Regeneration Committee.

5. Quotations from architects for the extension to the Community Centre

The Acting Clerk reported on the quotations received from architects who would oversee the building of an extension to the Community Centre to improve the archive section. The Acting Clerk had initially approached architects practising in the Penistone area, unfortunately this had not resulted in the three quotations required. She had subsequently sought quotations from a wider area.

This was **NOTED** by the meeting.

The Committee considered in detail the three quotations received and it was

MOVED by Cllr Webber, **SECONDED** by Cllr Barraclough and **RESOLVED** that the Committee recommends that Full Council agree that Mr J. Mahoney be engaged as architect for the planned extension and asked to submit detailed plans which will be submitted for consideration

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6. "High Street Forum"

It was **AGREED** as Cllr Wood was not present to outline his proposal this item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the Committee.

7. Brown Heritage Signs

Cllr Webber reported he had looked at BMBC's signage policy which he summarised and it appeared that the Paramount did not meet the criteria for a brown heritage sign. BMBC would have to be consulted and there would be a significant financial cost. Addendum note re this procedure attached.

It was **AGREED** that the Committee would wait for the outcome of the bid to the Principal Towns initiative which includes the improvement of signage in the town centre.

8. Date of the next meeting

It was **AGREED** that the next meeting of the Development and Regeneration Committee be held in two months.

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