

## **Penistone Town Council**

Minutes of the Town Services Committee held remotely on  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

**Present: Cllr Ann Rusby (Chair), Cllr A. Millner (Mayor) (ex-officio), Cllr Gillian Millner (Deputy Mayor), Cllr Johnathan Cutts, Cllr David Walker and Cllr David Wood.**

Also present

**Non committee members:** Cllrs Barraclough, Perkins and Shiggins.

T. Ball – Town Clerk

No members of the press were present.

There were no public present therefore no public participation session took place.

### **2020/6 1. TO NOTE ANY APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr Chadburn, Cllr Hinchliff and Cllr Kimberley with reasons for absence approved.

It was **RESOLVED** that the apologies and reasons for absence be accepted and recorded.

### **2020/7 2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST FROM COUNCILLORS**

In accordance with Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2011, the Chair invited declarations of interest.

It was **NOTED** and **RECORDED** by the meeting that there were no declarations of interest.

### **2020/8 3. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC – PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS ACT) 1960**

As there were no members of the public or press in attendance no requirements were made under this agenda item.

### **2020/9 4. TO DISCUSS THE MANAGEMENT OF THE PLANTERS IN THE TOWN COUNCIL WARD.**

The Clerk reported to the Committee that she had been in contact with Twiggs of Penistone to discuss a working partnership between Penistone Town Council and Twiggs as a community project. She suggested that Twiggs to possibly take the lead in the project and to develop a working partnership with them with the possibility of them charging for the plants.

Cllr Wood reported that he would be happy to participate in a community planting project.

Cllr Rusby requested that the Clerk is to approach Twiggs and discuss the possibility of dates and the different groups that could be involved.

It was **NOTED** and **RECORDED** that the Clerk is to contact Twiggs of Penistone and discuss the forward planning of the community project with possible dates and to feedback to Full Council.

**2020/10 5. TO DISCUSS THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2021.**

The Clerk reported that she had been provided with estimates from the Administration Officer for the Christmas Lights and large Christmas Tree for 2021 in the sum of £12,396.97. This figure excluded the small trees and some of the items within this quote are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> final year of the contract with others on a rolling basis.

Cllr Wood asked if local business are to pay for the small trees this year.

Cllr Rusby stated that the High Street's appearance was extremely attractive in December 2020. She suggested that the Council look to include the small trees for 2021 as part of the plan and to contribute towards the cost subject to budgets due to the stresses on the finances of business within the High Street.

It was **NOTED** and **RECORDED** that the Clerk is to send out the estimate to the Council and also to review the terms and conditions of the contract.

**2020/11 6. TO DISCUSS THE MARKET BARN, PENISTONE – CLLR RUSBY.**

Cllr Rusby reported that there had been a number of incidents where vandalism has occurred and that the building was under used.

Cllr Millner reported that the current traders were unsatisfied with the condition of the barn and there maybe the possibility of funds from the Principal Towns initiative to assist with development of the site.

Cllr Wood suggested that a consultation event to be held when the Covid situation had eased within St John's Community Centre.

There was a further discussion on possible ideas for development of the area.

It was **NOTED** and **RECORDED** that suggestions are to be sent into Cllr Rusby from the Council onto possible future development and usage of the Market Barn.

Signed by .....Chair Cllr Rusby 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021