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# Minutes of a meeting of the Kirkbymoorside Town Council held at Church House, Kirkbymoorside, on Monday 15 July 2013 at 7.30 pm

Present: Councillors P Brewster, J Coughlan, J Cossins, C Dowie (Chairman), D Turlington, and J Watson.

Also present: County Councillor Val Arnold, 6 members of the public.

Councillor C Dowie opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

## 13068 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M Brampton and S Ward. It was noted that the Town Clerk was absent as she was on holiday.

#### **13069 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None. However, Cllr C Dowie declared an interest in item 15 later in the meeting when the item was addressed.

## 13070 MINUTES

- a) Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 26 June 2013 were **approved** and signed.
- b) There were no matter arising.

## 13071 PUBLIC SESSION

A member of the public asked questions relating the Old Library and was given full and accurate information relating to the proposed refurbishment of the building. It was made clear that full disclosure has been provided to the public with plans posted in the library and the notice board outside the Old Library building.

Other comments made from the Public concerned the installation of a litter bin on Chisholm's Monument.

## 13072 DISCUSSIONS WITH DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

There were no reports from the County Councillor present.

#### **13073 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- $\alpha$ ) Cheque payments were **approved** according to the list provided.
- $\beta$ ) Financial Summary was **received** for June 2013.
- $\chi$ ) Financial Summary was **received** for July 2013.

## 13074 COUNCILLOR'S AUDIT

The Council agreed to the recommendation from the Finance Committee that councillor's audit be carried out as part of the committee meeting.

#### **REGULAR PAYMENTS**

The Finance Committee recommended to the Council that the following regular payments should

be approved and minuted:

- a. The Shambles
  - I. Electricity and associated bills
- b. Old Library Building, Church Street
  - I. Southern Electric
  - II. Business Rates
  - III. Monks Security Alarm
- c. £65+VAT per month, paid by Standing Order for Storage Facilities at Christopher Atkinson Associates. (The committee agreed to recommend to Council that this arrangement be terminated and options be considered for the storage of the Christmas lights.)

A vote was taken and it was agreed to accept these recommendations.

## **PENSION PROVISION**

The Finance Committee made the following recommendations to Council:

- i) that the clerk's stated preference for a SIPP scheme from Hargreaves Lansdown Asset Management be supported.
- ii) that provision of 14.3% (as per NYPF) be made to cover the period since the commencement of the Town Clerk's employment in January and then monthly.

A vote was taken and it was **agreed** to accept these recommendations.

**13075** It was **agreed** to act as a central co-ordinator in respect of the Section 106 funds available from Ryedale District Council and to contact eligible groups with the aim of producing a proposal for the spending of these funds and submitting this to Ryedale District Council.

Thanks were expressed to Cllr S Ward, in her absence, for obtaining this information and for all her efforts to date.

## 13076 CHURCH HOUSE

It was **agreed** to revisit the Service Level Agreement with NYC regarding the volunteers at the library. Cllr J Watson will collaborate with Cllr C Dowie on this matter.

## 13077 GRANTS

- a) The grant application for Kirkbymoorside Junior Football Club was approved in the amount of £3,000 for the purchase of football equipment to improve the clubs facilities.
- b) The grant application for Kirkbymoorside History Group was approved in the amount of £550 to contribute to the cost of the room hire, printing and advertising costs for the forthcoming Kirkby Fest 2013 to be held on Saturday 14th September.

# 13078 RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S CHARITY FUND

It was **agreed** not to support the Chairman's Charity Fund.

## 13079 PARKING

The response from RDC in respect of the Town Farm car park was **noted**. It was **agreed** that presently it was not a viable option to pursue the purchase of the Town Farm Car Park from RDC in view of their valuation of property at £100,000.

The designs for the trial of advisory parking markers on High Market Place were **noted** and concern was expressed about the number of parking spaces that would be lost by adopting a parallel parking scheme. It was suggested that the Town Clerk liaise with Highways to pursue an alternative option.

# 13080 WELCOME TO KIRKBYMOORSIDE SIGNS

It was **agreed** to adopt design 2.

- **13081** A request by NYCC to hold the County Council Volunteer Task Day on 7th August in Manor Vale with the task of knotweed management was **approved.**
- **13082** Cllr C Dowie declared an interest in this item as the Mayor.

A request by the Mayor for the cost of accommodation for one night on 31 July, the day before her civic engagement at the Yorkshire Day celebrations at Skipton on 1 August 2013, be funded out of the Mayoral allowance was **approved**.

**13083** It was **agreed** not to install a litter bin on Chisholm's Monument. It was suggested that the Town Clerk contact the principal's at Lady Lumley's School and Ryedale School to request that an address be made to the students to encourage them to dispose of their litter responsibly.

Cllr J Cossins raised the matter of whether we would require a licence to install a litter bin at the Monument.

**13084** It was **noted** that the dates for the bouncy castle in the Old Road play area are 8th, 15th and 22nd August and not 8th and 15th July and 22nd August as published in item 17 on the agenda for the meeting on 17 June 2013.

## **13085 TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Town Mayor had no engagements to report on.

## 13086 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COUNCIL

Cllr J Watson reported that the CAP Group Meeting had been postponed as unfortunately PC Steve Leach had been called up to serve in Northern Ireland due to the ongoing problems there.

## 13087 REPORTS ON DELEGATED MATTERS

None.

## 13088 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Town Clerk's report was **received.** Thanks were expressed in the Town Clerk's absence for her report.

## 13089 QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN

It was requested that the issue of speeding at Kirkby Mills could be addressed as Cllr P Brewster had received a number of complaints about vehicles speeding between the A170 and the industrial estate.

It was noted that the public footpath sign at the top of Castlegate into Manor Vale was broken and this should be reported to Highways for repair.

The state of the public footpath near the wall to the rear of the churchyard was commented on as the York stone flags are raised and need to be re-laid to avoid a trip hazard.

## 13090 NEXT MEETING

The next Town Council meeting will be held on 16 September 2013 at 7.30 pm in Church House.

The meeting ended at 8.55pm.