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Minutes of the Annual Town meeting held in the Moorside Room, 9 Church Street, YO62 6AZ on Wednesday 20th May 2015 at 7pm

Present: Mayor Christine Dowie, Councillors Ashworth, Brampton and Town Clerk L Bolland.

Also present: County Councillor Val Arnold and 33 members of the public

1 WELCOME FROM THE TOWN MAYOR

The Town Mayor Councillor Chris Dowie welcomed everybody to the meeting.

2 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD ON 7 MAY 2014

The minutes of the Annual Town meeting held on 7 May 2014 were approved and signed.

3 MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayors report was received. Appendix A.

4 PRESENTATION OF THE COMMUNITY AWARD

The mayor presented award to June Cook for her significant contribution to the community.

June was Kirkbymoorside District Nurse for many years and also midwife until she retired when she took on charity work for Marie Curie Cancer Care. In June 1999 June set up and remains Chair of the Kirkbymoorside & District Fund Raising Group who have raised in excess of £304,798.05 for Marie Curie Cancer Care. June is also involved in many community groups and activities such as her involvement with Messy Church at the Methodist Chapel, the Red Cross, Brownies, Elderberry Club, pre-school play group to name but a few. June's contribution to the community is certainly noteworthy.

5 PUBLIC SESSION

Residents of Manor Vale Lane had conveyed their pleasure at the lovely wild flowers that are now in abundance throughout Manor Vale subsequent to the works that have been carried out.

The Tesco site, its present state and potential future use was discussed. Mayor Dowie confirmed that this was matter was raised at the recent meeting of the Town Council and it was agreed to contact Tescos to determine their intentions and any indication of the future allocation of the site for commercial/residential development. Mayor Dowie conveyed to those present that the Town Council were determined for the site to be managed and for there not to be a repeat of the dilapidation of the site as has occurred at the Old Highways Depot.

Concerns were raised with regards to the impact to parking and pressure on amenities in the town that would be resultant of the Gladman development. Mayor Dowie explained that the case had been put to RDC and Planning Officials at great length and details of the Town Council's submissions were available on the website. With regards to car parking a report was provided by the Town Clerk as to progress to date of the implementation of the short term parking enforcement on the cobbled areas and Cllr Brampton explained that the possibility of leasing the Town Farm car park from RDC was another option that the Town Council would be looking into.

6 REPORTS FROM CHARITIES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

Chris Simmonds provided a report on progress of the Fruit Project. Appendix B.

Members of the public expressed their disappointment that the Open Gardens event had been cancelled this year and it was generally consented that this is a fantastic opportunity for gardeners to share their interest and love of gardening. Greater effort would be made in the future to ensure that this tradition carried on.

Members of the public were reminded that the Moorside Room is available at no charge on Wednesdays for use by local Charities and groups for fund raising, coffee mornings, etc. This information was well received and it was agreed that the room provided an ideal venue.

A brief report was received from the Pigeon Club who have been involved in a different class of event this year and hope to progress in this field next year.

The meeting ended at 8.30 pm.