

POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

Meeting of the Town Council
Meeting Room Old Courthouse George Street Pocklington
Wednesday 11th November 2009 at 7.00 pm

Present: Councillor Sykes, (Chairman), Bryon, Cooper, Elliott, Marron, Held, Perry, Petrie, Scaife, Shepherd & Wilkinson.

Before the commencement of the meeting Tom Astell aged 13 years from the National Youth Parliament & Jayne Clarke from the Youth Service of the East Riding Council talked about the advantages of forming a youth council. This is considered a real investment to include and engage youngsters in the democratic process. What would be the advantage for the council? Provide feedback on issues, get a new perspective and lots of energy. Various models are available either a structured one where schools appoint members or a less formal arrangement. Objectives should be set early on. The ideal is for a small budget to be allocated so the youngsters can decide on priorities. Grants may be available from the Youth Opportunities Panel. The first meeting would see the officers appointed and a constitution agreed. It would be the intention to be as inclusive as possible with about 12 persons involved. A 'buddying' scheme might be suitable here where the young people regularly meet with chosen councillors. Consideration should be given to the members being drawn from all the years from year 6 onwards.

Rev Dalley the Council Chaplain then led the council in prayers.

The Mayor welcomed the new vicar, Reverend Geoffrey Hollingsworth.

In attendance: A member of the press, town clerk, Cllr Mole from the district council and two members of the public

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Blake-James (holiday)

2. Declarations of Interest: None

3. Consider the Arts Centre Managers report

Both Janet Farmer the Manager and James Duffy the Assistant Manager attended to update the council on the latest figures from the Arts Centre. The newly released films were described. A school booking has been taken. Several sell out events have appeared. Gerry & the Pacemakers, Lionel Donegan are scheduled to appear shortly. The Bad Shepherds appeared recently and Elikie Brooks is coming in January. The Friends have organised a 'Swishing Soirée' next week to which everyone is invited. Both managers had judged the drama at Pocklington School. A particular success had been an exhibition of Steve Barnsley's work where 16 items had been sold. The accounts were outlined - traditionally low income quarter but better than budget. It will be possible to book on-line from December. For the 2010 anniversary year it is planned to have an open day and an event at Burnby Hall Gardens. It was hoped to have a Promenade of John Gresham's work throughout the whole building. Additionally a community singers event was being considered with Woldgate College.

4. Consider the formation of a Youth Council

The Mayor said he was supportive and asked for everyone's views. After a discussion it was decided to take all the steps possible to get such a council formed in Pocklington. It was agreed Marketing will be essential for the success of such a project.

5. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held 14th October 2009
Cllr Petrie proposed the minutes be accepted as a true record. 2nd Cllr Shepherd and agreed.

6. To report any matters arising.
There were no matters arising

7. To consider the points brought up at the 2nd Annual Town meeting on 4th November
The main focus of the meeting seemed to be the problems being experienced with the 'zip-slide' on The Croft. A discussion took place about possible remedies whereupon it was decided to monitor all complaints for several months to gauge the problem. It was agreed to invite the dog warden to one of our meetings to explain what further can be done in relation to dog fouling. The speeding on Broadmanor was to be referred to Road Safety. The idea of having a celebration for St Georges Day was to be further explored with the French twinning group being invited?

8. Consider taking part in the energy saving initiative
Cllr Bryon outlined the challenge competition being organised by the Low Carbon Communities. We as a town have expressed an interest and must now register under phase 2. Twelve towns will be selected who will each receive £500,000. The projects we will put forward are 1. Energy use 2. Recycling 3. Sustainable transport. It was agreed to apply to be considered.

9. Update on the Mayor's Charity event 30th October 2009
Everyone agreed the event was a success and the Mayor reported proceeds of approaching £1,000. Special thanks were given to the singers who had obviously enjoyed the performance. It was agreed we would hold the 'Carols with the Mayor' event on Sunday 20th December at 2pm near the Christmas tree. Cllr Wilkinson will make 100 mince pies and Cllr Shepherd pledged £20 for tins of sweets to be given out to youngsters attending.

10. To receive the financial statement of
(a) Pocklington Town Council and authorise payments
(b) the bank statements from Pocklington Arts Centre and agree payments

Cllr Bryon proposed authorising the below payments. 2nd Cllr Shepherd and agreed.

PTC

DD		Glenfield Garden Services	All Saints Churchyard	127.40
		Visual Security Systems	CCTV	74.75
BP	Various	HMRC	Tax & NIC	1,690.92
	4001	R Wood	October Salary	
	4002	J Farmer	October Salary	
	4004	S Knill	October Salary	
	4017	E Moore	October Salary	
	4005	A Woodcock	October Salary	
	4037	Travis Perkins	Repair picnic table	7.31
	4209	B J Lighting Supplies Ltd	Christmas lights	1,092.50
	4203	Earley Ornamentals	Plants	63.80
	4203	Parkers Dutch Bulbs	Bulbs	656.08
	4036	A & L Stewart	External lights	413.32
	4205	Norman Computer Services	Internet Security & Business Support	223.75
	4015	British Gas	Gas	121.16
	4014	British Gas	Electricity	71.57
	4008	JSS Audio Information	Audio training session	115.00
2328	4043	Commissioner	Renewal of CCTV registration	35.00
2329	4072	M.W. Boys Brigade Band	Remembrance Day Parade	125.00

2330	4072	Pocklington British Legion	Donations for wreaths	100.00
2331		Petty cash	Petty cash	54.52
			total	9,149.88
PAC				
BP				
		HMRC	Tax & NIC	743.45
		Mr & Mrs Monsoon Ltd	Bad Shepherds	2,346.02
		Mirth Control Ltd	Booking Fee	63.75
		Aaron Yeates	October Salary	
		Jessica Farmer	October Salary	
		Joseph Bryant	October Salary	
		Tom Morris	October Salary	
		Shaun Holmes	October Salary	
		Tom Stalker	October Salary	
		Nigel Rudsdale	October Salary	
		Richard Garnon	October Salary	
		Frank Argyle	October Salary	
		James Duffy	October Salary	
104857		Stuart C Stalker	Anti-virus installation	195.00
104858		Woldgate College	Ticket Sales	100.00
104859		Pocklington School	Ticket Sales	100.00
104860		GT Graphics	Printing	57.75
104861		GO Transport	Film Transport	163.94
104862		WC Forth	Stationary	13.08
104863		The Feathers	Accommodation	188.00
104864		Eric Lee	Light Bulbs	16.11
104865		DHP Group	Advertising	57.50
104866		YVS Wholesale	Confectionary	107.18
104867		JSS Audio	PA Hire	764.75
104868		Sony Pictures Releasing	Film Rental	484.30
		Performing Rights		
104869		Society	Quarterly Charges	1,446.09
			total	9,327.74

11. To agree the list of burials and memorials

Cllr Wilkinson proposed authorising the memorials for Johnson, Price & Rankin. 2nd Cllr Held and agreed.

12. Correspondence – see attached list

1. Greg Knight needs more details of the obstructions to the beck

2. Permission given to The East Yorkshire Thoroughbred car club to use West Green in June 2010

7. The reply from ERYC re the design of the library was noted with regret.

9. Wolds Wonders application for grant to be considered at P&R

11. Chipfield Estate Agents – floral box moved

12. Reply to Wood Sherwood asking them to write to the Crown solicitors stating at this time it has not been possible to come to an agreement about joint purchase however we will continue. A ‘cooling off’ period is advocated after which a further approach will be made by the council to reach agreement. Further advice needed on the legality of the right of way and our agreement with Buck Inn Yard Management for use of the side door.

18. It was agreed we should ask the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to look in detail at the health service provision for the West Wolds area.

19. Whilst the removal of gravel by EA was welcomed some reserve was expressed about causing problems further down stream.

20. Further research was being carried out to find out how we can get our street cleaner the correct inoculations/vaccinations.

21. Refer to Lands & Property

25. Further details required from BT are they about to ask to remove the kiosk?

27. The increase in cost of servicing the Town Clock was agreed

28. Congratulations were given to the clerk for achieving the CiLCA qualification. It was agreed to pay the enrolment fee of £115.

30. The council would like a presentation from the first responder team
 33 & 34 The letters from Mr Hawley were noted
 35 The work placement from York College to be agreed.
 36 The 'e' mail from Mr Perry It was agreed our solicitor be asked to write to him telling him not to contact the council again. The councillors expressed their confidence in their clerk and regarded him as a professional and competent person. They very much regret the distress such communications have caused and ask him to desist communicating with us.
 37. The Environmental Departments result of their pollution enquiry was noted
 38. The 'e' mail from John Clarkson was noted.

13. Town Clerks report
 The report was noted.

14. To receive and agree committee minutes
 20.10.09 Planning Proposed Cllr Wilkinson 2nd Cllr Marron & agreed
 83.10.09 Development & Marketing Proposed Cllr Shepherd 2nd Cllr Scaife and agreed
 The notes of the 2nd town meeting on 4th November were agreed.

15. Consider any future actions to be taken in relation to any meetings of outside bodies.
 Cllr Mole our East Riding ward councillor gave an update on the various sites being explored for a temporary library.
 Cllr Petrie reported being elected Vice President of ERNLLCA at the recent AGM

Signed as a true record of the meetingTown Mayor

The meeting closed at 9pm.

CORRESPONDENCE

1	Greg Knight	Environment Agency
2	Bill Barratt	Classic Vehicle Gathering 2010
3	Ivan Ellul - NHS	West Wolds Neighbourhood Health Team
4	ERYC -Planning	Wilberforce Lodge
5	ERYC	Precept 2010/11
6	ERYC	Footway Lighting Agreement 2010/11
7	ERYC	New Pocklington Library
8	Dialogue	Extension of Sainsburys
9	The Wolds Wonders	Grant Application
10	Tony Marron	Young people take over House of Commons
11	Chipfields Estate Agents	Removal of planter in George Street
12	Wood Sherwood	Land at rear of Arts Centre
13	Buck Inn Yard Management	Land at Buck Inn Yard
14	ERYC	St Helens Road Estate Revision
15	Quibell	Pocklington Library
16	Humberside Police	Customer Feedback Survey
17	Roger Bruton	Need for Chamber of Trade and Commerce
18	ERYC	Overview & Scrutiny Committees 2010/11
19	Environment Agency	Pocklington Flooding
20	Pocklington Group Practice	Arthur Woodcock - vaccinations
21	Express Elevators	Quotation for repair
22	Julie Simon	Target Lane improvement
23	HMRC	Dispensations
24	ERYC	Street Trading Policy
25	BT	Adopt your local red telephone box
26	Cllr Claude Mole	Pocklington Library
27	Cumbria Clock Company	Revised charges
28	Society of Local Council Clerks	Clerk's qualification

29	Hull City Council	Holderness Road Corridor
30	Wilberfoss Parish Council	Community First Responder Scheme
31	Rotary Club to PAC	Copy of letter of thanks - Casablanca Night
32	Letter of thanks	re Mayors Charity event
33	Howard Hawley	Parking at the rear of the Arts Centre
34	Howard Hawley	Land at Buck Inn Yard
35	York College	Possible Work placement
36	Perry	derogatory 'e' mail
37	ERYC	Result of complaint re smokers Arts Centre
38	John Clarkson	A healthy community
MEETINGS AND INVITATIONS		
1	ERNLLCA	ER (West) District Comm - 10 Nov 09 at Pocklington
	ERYC	Playground Area Inspection Course 24 Nov at Hull
BULLETINS AND NEWSLETTERS		
1	ERNLLCA	Newsletter
2	Pocklington Provincial Ward	Newsletter
3	Solarwall Ltd	Reduce Fuel Costs
4	Fox Play Areas	Information of Services
5	HSBC	Business Credit Interest
6	Clerks Magazine	Magazine
7	Clerks & Councils Direct	Magazine