

# POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES

Meeting of the Town Council  
Meeting Room Old Courthouse George Street Pocklington  
Wednesday 12th November 2008 at 7.00 pm

Present: Councillors Shepherd (Chairman), Blake-James, Bryon, Cooper, Elliott, Held, Marron, Perry, Petrie, Scaife, Sykes & Wilkinson.

In attendance: Clerk, one member of the press and one member of the public. Janet Farmer and James Duffy attended for item 3

Prior to the start of the meeting Sgt Rogers updated the council on policing matters Vehicle seizures had taken place to stop the 'boy-racers' mischief night was quiet. Operation Moonstone starting this month to next February. crime steady no particular trends appearing. We are directing staff to deal with specific problems ABC's are being given with successful results. The damage to the Victoria Road playground still outstanding.

Father Gallagher, the Council Chaplain, then led the council in prayers

1. Apologies for absence: Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Dexter (ill)

2. Cllr Elliott declared a personal interest in relation to the item on allotments.

3. Consider the Arts Centre Managers report

Mrs Farmer gave an update on the Arts Centre and reported the cinema is doing well The live performance of Beth Rowley, Bouncers, John Shuttleworth Bad Shepherds & comedy club were sell-outs. The manager has been invited to address the Folk Industry convention. Fallen heroes exhibition most successful. Pocktoberfest a great success. Finance delighted to report a profit for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter well above budget. Live events slightly below budget cinema well above target; bar sales below confectionary on target. To minimise the effect of the downturn staff play on fact the centre is local. All councillors gave congratulations on the centre's success particularly the help given in setting up the fallen heroes.

4. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> October 2008

Cllr Sykes then proposed the minutes be accepted as a true record. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Wilkinson and agreed.

5. To report matters arising from those minutes not on the agenda – for information only.

No matters were raised.

6. Review of the fallen heroes exhibition.

Cllr Cooper and the other councillors who helped were congratulated. A letter had been received from Geoff Shearsby which was most praiseworthy. Cllr Bryon had received many complimentary remarks particularly from other civic heads.

Cllr Cooper asked for direction on which way to go. A discussion took place after which it was decided to release any information we gleaned to the War Graves Commission. *Letter of thanks to be sent to the history & re-enactment groups.* Cllr Elliott produced for examination a Pocklington volunteers 1803-1808 button which had been found locally.

## 7. Review of request for management of allotments

Councillors had been impressed with the way the group have organised themselves. Information tendered from Pickering and the latest allotment inspection. If possible we could consider negotiating an agreement to start on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009. After a discussion it was agreed that a ground rent should be set at a 'peppercorn' rent. Cllr Petrie said there was a proper formula for set up and dissolving. A clear indication of what would happen to the monies accrued should be included. Cllr Bryon said a ballot will have to be held and be successful. The requirement would be for 80% return with 51% in favour. The lease would be offered for an initial 3 years with a ballot at the end. In general allotments were kept to a good standard. Cllr Cooper proposed the ground-rent be set at £500 a year. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Marron and agreed. *Letter to Mr Cooper.*

## 8. Update PCT

An evening meeting was favoured at the Arts Centre all councillors from all three councils to be invited to attend this meeting. *Check availability then circulate.* Cllr Perry reported on a further consultation document which has been circulated. A consultation was to be held at Somerfield car park on 5<sup>th</sup> December 9 -11.30am. Cllr Perry said the West Wolds appear to be getting nothing – nothing allocated to new health centre for Pocklington. Community beds at Pocklington mean bed at Withernsea? Reduced quality of care for this area. Briefing of councillors beforehand important. Out of the £20m the PCT will initially have to purchase land at Beverley. No new money in NHS for obesity. Cllr Perry offers to brief councillors beforehand. ERYC councillors to also be invited.

## 9. Council involvement in the late night shopping event.

Marshalls - Cllr Marron, Cllr Held, Elliott, Sykes, Petrie, Blake-James offered to help. Tabards to be ordered.

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

- (a) Cllr Cooper proposed they be accepted 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Bryon and agreed
- (b) Cllr Bryon proposed the bank statements and payments be accepted 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Cooper and agreed

### PTC

2246	British Legion	Poppy Appeal	100.00
2247	Mkt Weighton Boys Brig	Band for Rem. Day	125.00
2248	SLCC	Practitioners guide	22.00
2249	Cllr Perry	payment to re-enactment group	100.00
	Wallis Business		
BP	Services	stationery	40.40
	Pocklington Boilers	call-out to boiler	42.30
	Norman Computers	web-hosting + mem stick	160.95
	Getyerink	ink cartridges	29.32
	GT Graphics	print leaflets	280.00
	Threshers	wine for fallen heroes	83.00
	The Fresh Food Co	canopes	120.00
	M.P.T.	skip hire	502.99
	Aldby Field Nurseries	winter bedding	39.13
	PAC	fee for ERNLLCA meeting	120.00
		<b>total</b>	<b>1765.09</b>

### PAC

104466	IRB18	Performance Fee	£500.00
104467	KJ Falkingham	Hardware	£9.47
104468	JT2 Clients Acc.	Performance Fee	£3,055.00

104469	AR Earnshaw	Performance Fee	£119.00
104470	Newsquest	Advertising	£255.00
104471	Walt Disney	Film Rental	£50.82
104472	Bent Architect	Performance Fee	£600.00
104473	JSS Audio	PA Hire	£293.75
104474	Journey South Live Ltd	Performance Fee	£1,029.48
		<b>total</b>	<b>5912.52</b>

11. To agree the list of burials and memorials

Cllr Wilkinson proposed accepting the burials of Francis Malcolm Langton, John Robert Lambert, and memorials for Jean Ann Hodgson John Robert Lambert 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Perry and agreed.

12. Correspondence – see attached list

7 review of conservation area agreed

10 letter from solicitor regarding the rear of the Arts Centre was noted

13 Skate park Cllr Sykes meeting with Ron Clarke the senior youth leader to be discussed further when outcome known

20 Chairman's Awards Cllr Wilkinson to look at papers Cllr Cooper to be nominated for enhancing the social well-being of the East Riding.

29, 30, 31 Allotment permissions were given

Parking Maxwell Road Councillors asked that a reply be sent to Gill Campbell extolling the virtues of a walk and stride system

20mph area for town centre - Proliferation of road signs why stop half way down Regent Street and Pavement. Church Lane. Poles of smaller diameter requested as in Beverley.

Emergency planning meeting 16<sup>th</sup> December Pocklington Arts Centre nominations required.,

Gateway representation It was agreed Cllr Blake-James & Cllr Cooper should represent the council.

13. Consider the Town Clerks Report

The report was noted. Cllr Elliott agreed to be the third member on the PAC management team.

14. To receive and agree committee minutes

2<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting Proposed by Cllr Wilkinson 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Cooper and agreed

Planning 22.10.08 Proposed Cllr Elliott 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Blake-James and agreed

P&R 22.10.08 Proposed Cllr Bryon 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Scaife and agreed

Flood committee 29.10.08 Cllr Cooper asked that we write to ERYC about riparian owners. Proposed by Cllr Perry 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Cooper and agreed.

Lands & Property 05.11.08 Proposed by Cllr Petrie 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Bryon and agreed.

15. Receive representative reports.

Cllr Sykes: Had completed the ERNLLCA advance chairmanship course attending the farewell service for Rev Simmons attended the Remembrance Parade where he noticed cars parked outside the Cross Keys obstructed peoples views. A flag-pole was also needed at Grape Lane.

Cllr Cooper Fairtrade meeting from which an application for Fair Trade Status is being made. Gateway are considering a virtual museum and are to make an application to the Roots foundation. Would the council help by applying for a grant? The Gateway team would like a vision for Pocklington from each councillor. A1079 feasibility study consultants have been appointed.

Cllr Shepherd Rev Simmons final service (and then as per list)

Cllr Wilkinson Town Meeting, ERNLLCA, Fallen Heroes, Choir concert at Bridlington.

Cllr Perry Had attended the fair trade meeting - the application was being made this week. The fallen heroes exhibition had been successful and should continue. School governors meeting Woldgate College. Promote Pocklington meeting.

Cllr Petrie ERNLLCA, fallen heroes, remembrance parade.

Cllr Bryon Had attended the fallen heroes exhibition

Cllr Elliott meeting with headmaster from Pocklington School – increased communication with the school being open to the town. Examples being Ladies hockey and the junior rugby team.

Cllr Blake-James Wolds tourism event. Woldgate College had organised for several junior schools to be brought together 600 local children were bused to The Albert Hall for a 'music for youth concert' It was very impressive.

Cllr Held Had attended the Fallen heroes, remembrance parade.

16. Consider closing the meeting to the public

Cllr Shepherd proposed 'That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw'. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Wilkinson and agreed.

17. Consider the quote from Dave Thurlow for the erection of Christmas lights. The tender for £7,045 was accepted.

The clerk then said led bulbs of 1watt were available at a cost of £1.86 these use 1/15<sup>th</sup> of the electricity of the current bulbs. It was agreed 600 of these would be purchased and 100 colour change at £3.25. The money coming out of the energy conservation fund.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25 pm

Signed as a true record of the meeting .....Town Mayor