

POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES

Meeting of the Town Council
Meeting Room Old Courthouse George Street Pocklington
Wednesday 12th June 2013 at 7pm

Present: Councillors Cox (Chairman), Cooper, Jones, Perry, Ratcliffe, Shepherd, Spademan, Sykes, Taylor, Whittaker, Winterton & West. Three members of the youth council, nine members of the public, a member of the press & the clerk. Before the start of the meeting Father Frank Gallagher, the council chaplain led the Council in prayers.

1. To receive any apologies for absence. All were present.

2. . Declarations of Interest

To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared. Councillor Cooper declared a personal interest in item 21.

3. Consider closing the meeting to allow an opportunity for person(s) or groups to address the council for a period of up to 15 minutes. Cllr. Taylor proposed the meeting be closed 2nd Cllr. Cooper. and agreed. A resident of Church View spoke to the council about problems being experienced in All Saints Churchyard during the evenings. Residents are suffering anti-social behaviour ranging from youngsters running on the roof of the church to urination, swearing and shouting. They had lived there for seven years - 6-8pm is the main time for offending. Residents have already made a formal approach to the Police and Church authorities. It was agreed to write to both the Church and Police to ask what they intended to do about this obvious nuisance. The resident was thanked for their attendance. Pocklington Futures Group presented their report, "Your Town, Your Plan, Your Pocklington Future." Mark Ronan formally presented The Mayor with a copy of the report and thanked all the members for their efforts. They have all worked particularly hard together with Peter Hirshfield and have produced a comprehensive document. The group first met in November and monthly thereafter. A request was made for the plan be formally adopted by the council. It is the groups intention to pass some of the actions to the Gateway Group with a request they submit a progress report to PTC every quarter. There will be an official launch on 29th June at PAC.

Tiffany Barker & Les Slow then addressed the council on forming a Youth Drop-in centre in Pocklington. Lack of facilities for younger people a shop has been identified and will be rented at first. Two cooks and apprentices to be employed. They have talked to youth centre staff who have now been told only to deal with problem youngsters which creates a void in provision. Support in

principal from Council requested. The scheme has universal support from all the Pocklington churches.

4. Consider re-opening the meeting Cllr. Cooper proposed the meeting be re-opened 2nd Cllr Jones and agreed.

5. Consider the Arts Centre Managers report. Janet Farmer went through her written report. Live theatre doing well. Up and coming live events included Macbeth & Richard II. Ahab, magic numbers and bad shepherds sold out. Chris Ramsey comedian coming back in October. On your turf production on a large scale over the next two years. 5th October volunteer day being planned. Finance report shows the Arts Centre had an operating surplus of £13,077 last year. 61 live events golden age of cinema. Intends to repay the loan from PTC. The centre has secured £50,000 Arts Council funding over the next two years.

6. Consider a report from the Youth Council Three members attended and explained the agenda they planned to use at their next meeting. Councillors congratulated and thanked those members who spoke very well about their plans.

7. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 1st May 2013. Cllr Shepherd proposed they be accepted. 2nd Cllr Sykes and agreed.

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

9. Consider adopting the report from the Pocklington Futures Group. Councillor Cox thought the document was excellent – the re-printing of the document will need to get the annex's in the right orientation. Cllr Jones congratulated those involved and proposed the plan be adopted by the Town Council. 2nd Cllr Shepherd agreed.

10. Consider the presentation on the Youth 'drop-in' café 'Young People Count'. Cllr Sykes proposed in principal support should be given to the project. 2nd Cllr Perry and agreed.

11. De-brief on the arrangements for the Mayor Making Ceremony held on 9th May 2013. It was suggested we needed to book the venue now to secure a date best suited to the council. Cllr Shepherd proposed plaques to retiring councillors should be given at the next full council meeting.

12. Consider advertising for the co-option of a Councillor to replace Tony Marron (authority to do so now received from ERYC). It was agreed to place an advert in the Pocklington Post.

13. Consider any updates on the council's priorities 1. 1st floor refurbishment Oak House. Plans being submitted by the end of June. 2. Neighbourhood Development Plan. A meeting is to be held next Wednesday 19th June. 3. Pocklington Summer Event 27th July. Cllr Cox said arrangements were well advanced and asked that invites be given to all ER councils.

14. Receive a verbal report from our district councillor. Cllr West reported on a meeting with the fire service who have to reduce their expenditure. A proposal is to reduce an engine from either Brough, Beverley, Market Weighton or Pocklington. ERYC have written to the Secretary of State for extra funding regarding flooding. Cllr Cooper asked if there were any plans to enlarge the swimming pool at Pocklington.

15. To receive the financial statement of
- (a) Pocklington Town Council and agree payments
 - (b) Consider the bank statements, and agree payments from Pocklington Arts Centre. Cllr Shepherd proposed they be accepted. 2nd Cllr Cooper and agreed.

PTC

DD	4032	Be Fuelcards	Fuel	93.06
	4014	First Utility	Electricity supply	63.92
BP	4010	ERYC	Courthouse Lease	5,000.00
	4021	Daisy Comms	Telephone charges	45.70
	4200	E.R.of Yorkshire Band	band concert 26.05.13	330.00

total 5,532.68

PAC

BACS	Brass Castle Brewery	Bar Supplies	£204.00
BACS	Johnston Publishing	Advertising	£30.00
BACS	HS	Fee	£1,800.00
BACS	Park Circus	Film Hire	£180.00
BACS	PA Foreman	Ice-cream	£128.82
BACS	Viking Direct	Office Supplies	£47.98
BACS	York Beer & Wine	Bar Supplies	£382.75
BACS	T Herbert	Book Keeping	£174.00
BACS	GT Graphics	Printing	£108.10
BACS	Synergie	Computer Services	£70.00
BACS	JSS Audio	Technical	£468.00
BACS	TM Martin	First Aid Training	£333.75
BACS	KJ Falkingham	Hardware	£6.38
BACS	J Duffy	Expenses	£120.50
BACS	Alive & Kicking	Fee	£550.00

BACS	Bad Apple TC	Fee	£962.26
105323	Petty Cash	Cash	£350.00
105324	All Saints Church	Bar Supplies	£52.40
BACS	Premier Business Supp	Cleaning	72.32
		total	£5,968.94

16. To agree the list of burials Cllr West proposed burials of John Henry Thacker, John Edward Kettlewell, Stanley Wilton Smith, Herbert Henry William Roberts, Joseph Foxcroft. Donald Harper Anderson, Stella Rosemary Nicholson, and Shirley Ann Sellers together with memorials for Mary Elizabeth Wilson, Sefton Cottom & Frank Barker. 2nd Cllr Taylor and agreed.

17. Correspondence – as per list 4. 102 squadron dinner on 20th July details to be circulated to all councillors. 19. It was agreed the central refuge in Station Road would be a great improvement. 25. The continental market to be invited back one Sunday and the market traders encouraged to come along too. 26. The problem of the gate not being closed on the front car park was discussed and it was felt the matter should be allowed to develop.

18. Consider the Town Clerk's report The report was accepted.

19. Consider and agree the minutes of the Development & Marketing meeting on 22.05.13, Cllr Shepherd proposed they be accepted 2nd Cllr Radcliffe and agreed. Planning 29.05.13, Cllr Spademan proposed they be accepted. 2nd Cllr Jones and agreed. Lands & Property 05.06.13 Cllr Winterton proposed they be accepted. 2nd Cllr Shepherd and agreed.

20. Receive reports from any other meetings – Gateway etc. Cllr Cooper had attended the Sports Ass. the Football Club doing really well – letter of congratulations to be sent. Cllr Jones had attended a flood liaison meeting at County Hall. A culvert inspection update was requested, Cllr Jones had also attended a service of thanksgiving for carers at Beverley Minster. Cllr Perry had attended a Pocklington School governor's meeting.

21. Consider the report from the Standards Committee on their hearing held on 10th May 2013 on complaints against Councillor Cooper. Cllr Spademan proposed that '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'. 2nd Cllr Whittaker and agreed.

At this point all observers including Councillors Cooper, Perry and Clerk Richard Wood left the building.

Actions required 1. Consider accepting the findings of the report.

After a debate it was agreed to accept the report.

2. Consider the 'e' mail received from Councillor Cooper
 After a debate it was agreed they did not consider this to be an apology and Cllr Cooper would be given until the next full council meeting on 10th July 2013 to provide an adequate apology. The Mayor asked to write to him stating this.

3. Consider adopting the recommended protocol on officer/councillor relations. This was agreed.

The meeting closed at 9.45pm.

CORRESPONDENCE

1	James Duffy	MT Meeting follow up
2	ERYC	First World War funding
3	ERYC	Station Road zebra crossing
4	102 Squadron	Reunion Invitation
5	Peter Hirschfeld	Final Community Plan
6	Cllr Martin Cooper	CAT
7	D S Smith	Recycling
8	ERYC	Local Investigation of Complaints
9	Cllr Martin Cooper	Further to CAT
10	ERYC	Flood Liaison Group
11	NALC	E Bulletin
12	Norma Jennings	PAC Cashing up
13	ERYC	Zebra Crossing
14	Cllr Martin Cooper	Standards Board Recommendations
15	ERYC	Standards Board Recommendations
16	ERYC	Standards Committee Hearing
17	ERYC	Dates of Future CP Meetings
18	Pocklington School	Cycling Adventure visits Pocklington
19	ERYC	Pedestrian Refuge
20	Debbie Lamb	NDP Grant Application
21	Cllr Ann Cox	Standards Board Recommendations
22	Marin Limon	Local History Book
23	Zurich	Local Council Advisory Service
24	ERYC	Town Council Vacancy
25	Simonin Olivier	Continental Market (Sunday) d&m
26	Sgt Peter Rogers	Station Road Car Park
27	City of York Council	Local Plan Preferred Options
28	Cllr Martin Cooper	Representative report
29	ERYC	Station car park gates
30	Neighbourhood Planning Team	NDP - Grant offer
31	R Lister	Skate park funding match
32	ERYC	Zebra crossing

MEETINGS AND INVITATIONS

1	PAVC	Exhibition Preview invite
2	Pock Future	Minutes 20 May 13
3	PACMT	Minutes 20 May 13

4	Pock & MW Comm Pship	Minutes 17 Apr 13 & Agenda 13 Jun 13
5	EY Town Councils Network	Agenda 18 June 13
6	Pock Youth Council	Minutes 21 May 13 & Agenda 18 Jun 13

BULLETINS AND NEWSLETTERS

1	Rural Opportunities	June Bulletin
2	Frinds of PAC	Latest news
3	Parish & Community News	
4	ER Parish News	June Bulletin