

POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

Meeting of the Town Council
Meeting Room Old Courthouse George Street Pocklington
Wednesday 14th January 2009 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 were in attendance.

Before the commencement of the meeting Jo Green spoke on behalf of the Local History Group about their aspirations of obtaining a research room and wondered if the 1st floor of Oak House could be considered? The group felt an exhibition area and an additional meeting room would be a useful heritage addition to the resources of the town.

Cllr Blake-James thanked Jo Green and said the council are planning to conduct a feasibility study on how best to use this space and the history group's request would be taken into account.

1. Apologies for absence: Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Dexter (ill) Father Gallagher was unable to attend because of another commitment.

2. Cllr Shepherd declared a personal interest in relation to the item on gritting of footpaths.

3. Consider the Arts Centre Managers report

Janet Farmer went through the main points from her report. Films have been popular over Christmas and Alvin Stardust Christmas Extravaganza was a real success. Wolds Wanderers have resumed their classes. Hamish Ogden charity have donated £1,000. The friends are organising a concert by the Foresters this Saturday with the proceeds going to assist the Wolds Wanderers. They are also planning a race night in February. Cllr Cooper said they had produced a marvellous programme with something for everything. Thanks again given to all staff for their dedication to providing a good service. Cllr Shepherd proposed £100 to be given to Wolds Wanderers. 2nd Cllr Blake-James and agreed. The public toilets have now closed for the library refurbishment and Cllr Shepherd asked that the toilets be made available at the Arts Centre whenever the premises were open. Any additional cleaning costs would be paid by this council. Mrs Farmer said most days covered apart from Monday.

4. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held 10th December 2008

Cllr Petrie proposed the minutes be accepted as a true record. 2nd Cllr Sykes and agreed.

5. To report any matters arising

There were no matters arising

6. Report on the work being carried out by Cllr Cooper on the fallen heroes project. Cllr Cooper outlined progress to date on the cataloguing of WW2 heroes.

Cllr Bryon proposed we allocate £300 to this project. 2nd Cllr Sykes and agreed.

7. Gritting of footpaths in icy weather

Cllr Wilkinson reported on the extreme problems experienced in Westfield Road and urged that a salt bin be installed at the junction of Sherbuttgate Road North and Westfield Road. Cllr West reported that the current ERYC scheme for gritting pavements was to be looked at again. Cllr Petrie said the salt has to be stored somewhere locally for use in an emergency. He advocated more grit bins be provided. Contact to be made with our insurers about the risk of us treating the pavements. Cllr Bryon said it was a really difficult logistical exercise which has to be done properly or not at all. Cllr West said it is possible to hire the equipment commercially. This is to be investigated.

8. Proposed 20mph mph speed restriction

Cllr Blake-James reported on the outcome of the Gateway meeting. They agreed with the council's position on trying to get restricted areas around the school. Zebra crossings could be provided opposite the Post Office and one near the new library. Cllr Cooper reported that the consultants had not circulated the proposal thoroughly enough. A personal briefing would be preferred. Cllr Perry asked that whilst wanting to implement anything to prevent accidents if enforcement is not undertaken is it a worthwhile exercise? The above comments to be sent to the consultants for their attention.

9. Update on the library refurbishment

Cllr Perry reported meeting with the architect for the project when details of the new toilet were provided. The detail of the work to be carried out has been requested from the library service – if it is not provided by early next week a strong letter of complaint should be sent. Once the toilets had been refurbished Cllr Perry asked that we seriously consider the way of keeping them clean. Cllr Perry felt that the internal fees paid on this project will be greater than normal because of constant changes in personnel.

10. Update on progress on flood prevention

Cllr Cooper reported about 90% of the flow is now going down the culvert at London Bridge with the beck alongside Betterton Court carrying little water. The EA are walking the beck tomorrow. Cllr Perry suggested test boleholes be drilled to establish the level of the beck in the past. Cllr Scaife said he thought that retrospective permissions would not be requested. Cllr Petrie thought the level of the beck had risen about two feet in recent years.

11. Arrangements for the meeting with the PCT

The meeting has had to be cancelled on 27th January because the Chief Executive is not now available but has been rescheduled for 24th February. Cllr Perry briefing Market Weighton and Driffield councils. All councillors to be encouraged to attend the new date. The consultation at Pocklington.

12. 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 the financial statement be accepted 2nd Cllr Bryon and agreed

(b) Cllr Cooper proposed the bank statements and payments be accepted 2nd Cllr Bryon and agreed.

PAYMENTS FOR AUTHORISATION 14TH JANUARY 2009

P.T.C.2239	YH RTP	Course fee for Clerk's qualification	80.00
2240	Petty Cash	Petty Cash	43.04
2241	SLCC	Meeting Fee	40.00
2254	Post Office	Stamps (Allotment letters)	54.00
2255	PAC	Prizes for window competition	30.00
BP	D Thurlow	Dismantle Christmas lights	2,824.98
	K J Falkingham	Dustbins	19.96
	Wallis	Stationery	58.45
	Henleys	Trees	30.01
	Yorkshire Water	water Bill £15.08 court £26.32 allot	41.40
2264	Petty cash	petty cash	60.35
2265	Humberside Police Band	concert	250.00
2266	Woldgate College	Carols with the Mayor	100.00
2267	Pocklington Picture Framing	Frame of old picture	35.90
		total	3,668.09
PAC	denotes already paid		
104500	Reform Theatre	Performance Fee	£892.05
104501	Petty Cash	Petty Cash	£300.00
104502	CANCELLED	CANCELLED	
104503	KP Club	PAC Christmas Party Deposits	£280.00
104504	Mirth Control Comedy	Performance Fee	£350.00
104505	Petty Cash	Petty Cash	£150.00
104506	Mirth Control Comedy	Performance Fee	£1,057.50
104507	Yorkshire Water	Water Bill	£233.60
104508	Park Circus	Film Rental	£115.00
104509	JSS Audio	PA Hire	£402.50
104510	Wold Top Brewery	Bar Stock	£264.38
104511	KJ Falkingham	Hardware	£35.47
104512	Propix UK Ltd	Projection Service	£200.46
104513	A Clay	Computer Service	£105.75
104514	CANCELLED	CANCELLED	
104515	Go Transport	Film Transport	£167.51
104516	CANCELLED	CANCELLED	
104517	Eric Lee	Electrical	£46.51
104518	The Feathers	Accommodation	£520.00
104519	Hulleys	Ice-creams	£222.18
104520	Charles Hyde & Son	Maint. Supplies	£16.98
104521	United Pictures	Film Rental	£370.77
104522	KJ Falkingham	Maint. Supplies	£14.63
104523	PA Foreman	Ice-creams	£255.60
104524	Euroblues Promotions Ltd	Ticket Sales	£1,211.00
104525	Walt Disney	Film Rental	£1,240.83
104526	CANCELLED	CANCELLED	
104527	The Big Sign Co	Lettering	£100.62
104528	Oddsocks Productions	Ticket Sales	£660.94

104529	Clive Conway Productions	Performance Fee	£2,300.00
104530	Premier Business Supp	Maint. Supplies	£99.61
104531	WC Forth	Stationary	£11.93
104532	Bottomleys	Confectionary	£545.32
104533	HM Revenue & Customs	Payment	£186.13
104534	Petty Cash	Petty Cash	£300.00
104535	Johnston Publishing	Advertising	£70.90
104536	Paramount Pictures	Film Rental	£172.50
104537	CN Wines	Bar Stock	£156.82
104538	Sony Pictures	Film Rental	£944.10
104539	Pathe	Film Rental	£281.99
104540	CEA Ltd	CEA Membership	£92.00
104541	The Feathers	Accommodation	£40.00
104542	GT Graphics	Printing	£27.83
		total	£14,443.41

13. To agree the list of burials and memorials
Cllr Wilkinson proposed accepting the burials of Kathleen Mary Hurst, Ada Mabel Johnson and memorial for George Harold Thackray 2nd Cllr Cooper and agreed.

14. Correspondence – see attached list

4. copy to Cllr Cooper for staff at the Football Club

7. copy to Cllr Sykes

8. The quotes for grounds maintenance were agreed Proposed by Cllr Scaife 2nd Cllr Wilkinson and agreed

10 To be passed to Road Safety

11 Cllr Elliott to contact Sara to relay his experience of Uganda

15 Cllr Petrie proposed the terms outlined by Express Elevators be accepted. 2nd Cllr Wilkinson and agreed

18 The quote for the archaeology investigation of the 1st floor of Oak House Proposed by Cllr Elliott 2nd Cllr Petrie & agreed.

20 Potts Parry wall to be surveyed by local builders include opposite side. Agreed to share cost with PCC.

21. Race night Friends of Pocklington Arts Centre - sponsor a race agreed.

Meetings

5. The train the trainers event at Hedon on 24th February is to be attended by Cllrs Cooper and Shepherd.

8. The code of Conduct training taking place at Burnby Hall on 16.02.09 to be attended by all available councillors.

15. Consider the Town Clerks report

It was agreed to give the owner of the cemetery chapels £25 for use of the chapels for storage of the Christmas lights.

The specimen Publication Scheme under the Freedom of Information Act was adopted.

16. To receive and agree committee minutes

Planning 05.01.09 Proposed by Cllr Wilkinson 2nd Cllr Cooper

Lands & Property 05.01.09 Proposed Cllr Scaife 2nd Cllr Sykes and agreed

17. Receive representative reports.

Cllr Sykes: Heart foundation Christmas Carols

Cllr Cooper Gateway vision of Pocklington now what do you want it to become? What do you like about the town? 50mph at Thorpe Le Street in favour. Fair Trade local traders market poor response fair trade status still being sought.

Cllr Wilkinson CPP Band Concert Carols with the Mayor

Cllr Shepherd Heart Foundation Christmas Carols Carols with the Mayor.
 Cllr Perry fair trade
 Cllr Petrie civic dinner Carols with the Mayor
 Cllr West LATS have started
 Cllr Scaife Burnby Hall Gardens trust agreed to host the handyman for a trial period can we make sure the tools covered by insurance?
 Cllr Elliott Beck walk Pocklington School Fairtrade Production 'help for heroes' Tuesday night next week
 Cllr Bryon Carols with the Mayor
 Cllr Blake James Gateway Sarah positive about 13 22 June Book Festival Pocklington Festival in August? Heritage noticeboard is now in place.

18. 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'. 2nd Cllr Wilkinson and agreed.

19. The increases in pension payments agreed and documents signed

Cllr Cooper negotiating with Pocklington School regarding a joint venture to investigate the fallen heroes of World War 1.
 The letter from Ms Argyle was noted.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

Signed as a true record of the meetingTown Mayor

CORRESPONDENCE

1 Zurich Municipal	Court circular
2 Arts Centre	Feedback forms
3 Big Lottery Fund	Breathing Spaces bid
4 ERYC	Sport & Play Recognition Awards 2009
5 Aquilo	Anti vandal paint
6 Viking Sound Services	Promotional literature
7 Normandy Barracks	Events
8 ERYC	Quotes for ground maintenance
9 Mr Stubbins	metal benches
10 Cllr Cooper	Photographs of problems Barmby Road
11 Sarah Bennett	Appeal for assistance
12 PWLB	Mortgage repayments
13 LTS	Telecom takeover
14 Dawn Argyle	allotments
15 Express Elevators	invoices re call-outs
16 Glasdon	Quote for grit spreader
17 ERYC	Ownership of road Tayleure Terrace
18 Humber Field Archaeology	Quote for architectural investigation
19 ERYC	visit to Brough Customer Services
20 Potts Parry Ives & Young	building inspection All Saint churchyard
21 Friends of Pocklington Arts	Request for help with sponsoring a race night

BULLETINS & NEWSLETTERS

1 Base	Newsletter
2 Ambrol	Newsletter

MEETINGS & INVITES

1 EYWTP	Trails sub-group minutes 03.12.08
2 Gateway	Minutes 09.12.08
3 Police Community Forum	Wilberfoss 22.01.09
4 ERVAS	Annual General Meeting 05.02.09
5 Humber Emergency Planning	Meeting 24.02.09 Hedon Train the trainers

- 6 ERYC
- 7 SLCC
- 8 ERYC

Parish News
Conference 21.01.09 Goole
Code of Conduct training 16.02.09 Burnby
Hall