

# POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES

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

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

In attendance: Clerk, one member of the press and three members of the public. Claude Mole & Felicity Temple (for the item on car park charging) district councillors.

Before the commencement of the meeting Mr Colin Stonelake the parent of three youngsters who BMX & skateboard spoke about the need for a skatepark perhaps on the West Green area. He was accompanied by several youngsters. They are willing to apply for suitable funding for a sport which is gaining in popularity and may feature in the 2012 Olympics. The matter would be further discussed at a meeting on 04.03.09

Sarah Cutts from Broadmanor addressed the council on the lack of gritting of footpaths in the recent bad weather. She suggested placing a bin on the green space near the existing rubbish bin and one at the junction of the Balk and Broadmanor. Both groups were thanked for their attendance.

Before the commencement of the meeting Cllr Blake-James led the council in prayers.

1. Apologies for absence: Father Gallagher was unable to attend because of another commitment. Janet Farmer (live performance)
2. Declarations of Interest: none were given

The Mayor invited Cllr Felicity Temple the chairman of the ERYC car parking review to give a resume of their current position. Before 1999 a previous review had been abandoned. In 2006 a new review was commenced but suspended because of the floods. The reason for the review is the current unequitable system which has different charging or non-charging regimes. A questionnaire was circulated last year – 64 people who shop in Pocklington replied 11 agreed, 50 to some charging with 3 against. 39 Pocklington residents replied, 10 were for charging, 25 some with 4 completely against.

All current car parks have been ranked as to usage and proximity to the town centre. A further simpler survey form is being devised to appear in the ER News in March. Roadshows to be held – a request made for one for Pocklington. Three charging bands were proposed those for Pocklington would be the lowest at 50p per hour with a daily charge of £2.50.

Cllr Shepherd said businesses in town think charging will kill trade.

Cllr Petrie did not believe that charging in the town centre would not take place over time.

Cllr Dexter asked how long the charges would be kept at this level

Cllr Perry asked about maintenance costs – currently £1.74m for the county to maintain 64 car parks – on average £27,000 for each car park

Cllr Wilkinson asked if we could perhaps take over the maintenance of the car parks?

Cllr Blake-James thanked Cllr Temple for attending to update the meeting

Cllr Cooper is concerned that this will create a further problem for residents in that more on street parking will be used.

Cllr Bryon agreed it will result in a spread of the parking problems to residential areas.

3. Consider the Arts Centre Managers report

Janet Farmer offered her apologies for not being able to attend because of a live event. Her report was noted. Cllr Cooper said he had attended the play 'My Grandfathers War' which was very well done and offered his congratulations to the Arts Centre for hosting such a topical event.

4. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> January 2009

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

5. To report any matters arising

There were no matters arising

6. Consider the formation of an Allotment Association. A letter has today been received from the secretary of the newly formed allotment association. They wanted the council to maintain the roadways and hedges in return for the £500 per year for the first three years. They did not agree with the % required before a go-ahead would be given. Cllr Petrie reported on the meeting held at the club when 70 tenants attended and formed an Association and appointed a committee. It was agreed to defer this to a special meeting of Lands & Property 4<sup>th</sup> March 2009.

7. Consider the Town's free trade status

Cllr Cooper announced that the town now had 'Fair-Trade' status. The Bishop of Selby was attending the town on 28<sup>th</sup> February in connection with the above. Cllr Cooper was thanked for all his hard work together with Cllr Bryon & Wilkinson.

8. Consider the new web-site

Technical difficulties prevented the new front page being displayed. It was agreed to have the new front page for consideration at the Policy & Resources 25<sup>th</sup> February. *Note to Richard Borrie*

9. Consider the proposed Pocklington School Rock Festival

Cllr Elliott reported this was more of a Proms type festival to be held in July 2012 which the school were anxious to involve all of the community. A timetable has been set with a steering committee about to be formed. Cllr Cooper asked that full liaison is made with the Arts Centre to prevent clashes of events. The council were supportive of the event in principal.

10. Update on the Primary Care Trust

Cllr Perry said an agenda for the meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> February has now been agreed. A pre-meeting to be held on 23.02.09. 7pm for PTC members attending. *Each parish council to be contacted for numbers*

11. 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Scaife and agreed

(b) Cllr Cooper proposed the bank statements and payments be accepted 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Scaife and agreed.

**PTC**

DD	J R Turnbull	Cemetery Maintenance	587.35
SO	Visual Security Systems	CCTV Maintenance	74.75
DD	Glenfield Garden Services	All Saints Maintenance (Dec)	127.40
DD	Glenfield Garden Services	All Saints Maintenance (Jan)	127.40
BP	Norman Computer Services	Business support/website	144.75
	A & L Stewart Ltd	Stairway light at PAC	113.52

	Bligh Electrical Services	Repair burst pipe	52.00
	Audit Commission	Audit Fee	1,667.50
	Mike Stubbins	Widening of Cemetery Gates	1,196.00
2271	ERYC	Building Reg fee Oak House	85.00
2272	Yorkshire in Bloom	entry fee	55.00
2273	Petty cash	petty cash	19.72
		<b>total</b>	<b>4,250.39</b>
<b>PAC</b>			
BP	HMRC	Tax & NIC	639.18
	F Argyle	Salary	
	J Duffy	Salary	
	N Rudsdale	Salary	
	R Garnon	Salary	
	K Brown	Salary	
	T Stalker	Salary	
	S Holmes	Salary	
	H Brown	Salary	
104565	HHDS Ltd	Accommodation Portillo	100.00
104566	Newsquest Ltd	Advertising	115.00
104567	Pocklington Methodist	Christmas Tree Display	25.00
104568	Mirth Control	comedians	115.00
104569	Entertainment Film Dist.	film carriage	202.14
104570	P.J. Biggins	book-keeping	379.50
104571	Momentum Pictures	film	226.25
104572	Your local link	leaflets	3,129.21
104573	CHS	protective equipment	55.29
104574	Care pack sales	computer support	69.00
104575	Warner Bros	films	86.25
104576	A.B. Electrical	electrical unit	11.22
104577	Viking Direct	leather chairs	256.38
104578	cash	petty cash	200.00
		<b>total</b>	<b>7,635.66</b>

12. To agree the list of burials and memorials

Cllr Wilkinson proposed accepting the burials of Leonard Merrison, Edwin Woodcock & Roy Sharp and memorial for Raymond Blacklin. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Cooper and agreed.

13. Correspondence – see attached list

2,4 ,5 & 7 to be deferred to L&P 04.03.09

3 & 6 granted

16 & 19 send application form

17 Road Safety

20 closed part of meeting

21 Conservation area – agreement to extension – Edward Atkinson to be notified.

24 Inform Dog warden service of growing problem

26 Go ahead with repair of pillar

29 Contract signed by Mayor

36 closed part of the meeting

37 The closure of the Chamber of trade was much regretted. *Ivor Shepcar to be sent a letter of thanks for all his good work.*

39 defer to L&P 040309

41 refer to L&P 040309

42 refer to Flood committee

14. Consider the Town Clerks report

No report was tabled due to the clerks annual leave

15. To receive and agree committee minutes

Road Safety 210109 Proposed by Cllr Dexter 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Cooper and agreed  
D&M 280109 Proposed by Cllr Blake-James 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Scaife and agreed  
Planning 04.02.09 Proposed by Cllr Wilkinson 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Sykes and agreed  
Extra ordinary meeting 040209 Proposed by Cllr Wilkinson 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Bryon and agreed

17. Receive representative reports.

Cllr Dexter: Hedon Retirement Village; Chamber of Trade

Cllr Elliott: Pocklington School meeting where there is a definite desire to work with the local community.

Cllr Cooper: Beck walk, Football Club Fair-trade meeting.

Cllr Scaife: Playarea group where satisfaction surveys were being distributed.

Cllr Marron: Arts Centre Management Team meeting

Cllr Perry: Woldgate Governors, Hedon retirement village, Fairtrade & beck walk.

Cllr Petrie: Allotment Society meeting, beck walk

Cllr Sykes: Crime prevention Panel meeting

Cllr Wilkinson: Play Area Group

Cllr Blake-James: Retirement Village Hedon, Heritage Board official launch and St Mary & St Joseph Roman Catholic School OFSTED inspection report showed the school to be a good achieving school.

Cllr Bryon: Fair Trade meeting

Cllr Shepherd tendered his Mayors duties list also to include the official opening of the Army Cadet Unit West Green and a meeting with the Pocklington School headmaster.

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'. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Wilkinson and agreed.

13 Correspondance;

20 Advice to be obtained from ERNLLCA before giving individual councillors details

36 It was agreed to purchase the land for £500

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

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

**MEETING 11 FEBRUARY 2009**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1	ERYC	Alcohol Misuse for Adults Review Panel Report
2	Gordon Kay	Permission for 2nd greenhouse
3	Kelvin Warlow	Permission for shed
4	Pip Jackson	Permission for greenhouse
5	Jon Steel	Permission for shed
6	John Booker	Permission for greenhouse
7	Martin Hewitt	Concerns re proposed allotment association
8	Express Elevators	Site visit
9	Express Elevators	Service report
10	Woldgate College	Letter of thanks
11	Chubb Monitoring Response Services	Keyholding service - quote
12	Cooper Lighting and Safety	Service contract renewal - quote

13	The Wolds Wonders	Letter of thanks
14	ERYC Civic Office	Chairman's Award
15	Humber Emergency Planning Service	Train the Trainer event
16	Bronia Trynka-Watson	Donation request for Guides
17	Roy Howard	Copy of letter to Highways re footpaths & gulleys
18	Pocklington Group Practice	Copy of letter to Cllr Perry re healthcare facilities
19	The Arts Society	Donation request
20	Dawn Argyle	The Mile Allotments
21	ERYC ( Edward Atkinson)	Pocklington Conservation Area
22	ERYC	Pocklington Conservation Area- re-appraisal
23	ERYC	Review of Pocklington Conservation Area
24	Brian Murray	Dog fouling
25	Hull City Council	City Centre Action Plan - Representation form
26	Hilary Bullock	Repair of Gate Pillar in churchyard
27	Mason Clark Assoc	Copy of letter and minutes to Ian Scothern
28	Patrick Cintrat, Maire de Neuvy le Roi	New Year card
29	Scothern Construction	Contract for Oak House
30	ERYC - Stephen Parnaby	Reply re Parking Charges
31	ERYC - Angela Winder	Reply re Parking Charges
32	Pocklington School	Summary of meeting with Cllr Shepherd
33	ERYC	Copy of letter to Ms French re icy roads
34	Pocklington Chrysanthemum Society	Thanks for donation
35	Environment Agency	Report on Pocklington Beck Walk
36	Wood Sherwood	Land at rear of PAC
37	Chamber of Trade	Closure
38	E House	Complaint and reply
39	Pocklington Allotment Association	Letter re agreement to take over allotments
40	HSBC	Hign Interest Deposit Bond
41	Pocklington Civic Society	Re skateboard park West Green
42	L&M Flood Protection	alternative to sand bags