

POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

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

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

In attendance: Clerk, one member of the press and three members of the public. Claude Mole one of our district councillors.

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

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Held(recuperating)Elliott(holiday),Dexter Father Gallagher was unable to attend because of another commitment.

2. Declarations of Interest: Cllr Scaife Cllr Wilkinson any matter re playparks.

3. Consider the Arts Centre Managers report

Janet Farmer presented the third quarter figures and was pleased to report a successful quarter with the cinema doing well with the blockbuster films. Live events have also done well with the Hull Truck theatre having a successful night. Extra programme Roger McGuinn singer with the Byrds. Marketing national advertising through the forthcoming events. Annual building survey being done. Budget ahead of projections. Cllr Blake-James said it was another outstanding months report. The councillors congratulated all involved in the success. Cllr Wilkinson praised both Janet & James for their efforts with the Action of Market Town initiative held at the Arts Centre.

Standing Orders were suspended.

Mark Ronan the headmaster of Pocklington School addressed the council on the forthcoming music festival in 2012 called Pocklington 500. Planning towards 2014 they would like the event to give publicity to the 500th anniversary. They plan to have a Symphony Orchestra play on the Saturday night. The school are keen to share the benefits of the events with local young people because they would like to engender a co-operation with the local community.

Standing Orders were reinstated

4. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held 11th February 2009

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

5. To report any matters arising. Cllr Cooper said 'free-trade' had been used in the heading of para. 7

6. Discuss the principals of the operation of the towns web-site

Cllr Perry spoke gave a resume of the work of the 'Promote Pocklington Group' The council had given over the front page for tourist promotion. A recent discussion at the PPG asked that the council be asked to decide on the principal of charging for entries. PPG need money to keep the web-site updated and promote the town via brown signs on the A1079. After a discussion it was agreed that charging would not be made on the site although a grant to PPG would be considered.

7. Insurance cover for the forthcoming year

The quotes received did not offer the same cover – further enquiries to be made and brought back to P&R later in the month.

8. Discuss the recent Pocklington Study Group

Cllr Wilkinson gave a resume of the day which saw various visitors come into the town to discuss marketing initiatives. A taster 'street audit' was carried out the result of which was very interesting. Suggestions included an area outside Barclays Bank could be given over to pedestrians. Could the market traders face onto the footpaths on both sides of the road? Cllr Wilkinson suggested organising a community street survey.

9. Arrangements for the parking meeting

Cllr Shepherd confirmed the meeting was to be held at Pocklington Arts Centre on Thursday 19th March commencing at 7pm. Cllr Felicity Temple or a member of the car park working group to be invited to state the councils case. Cllr Marron produced the article from the East Riding News about parking and suggested it be copied to be handed out at Thursdays meeting. The press to be invited.

10. To receive the financial statement of

(a) Pocklington Town Council and

(b) the bank statements from Pocklington Arts Centre and agree payments

B.P.	HMCE	Tax & n.i.	1409.99
	D Thurlow	electrics Arts Centre	27.60
	G.T. Graphics	print of precept leaflet	183.00
	PWLB	Repayment of mortgage	197193.81
2279	cash	petty cash	73.74
		repair of allotment	
2280	G Kay	roads	98.00
		total	198986.14
	already paid		
PAC	HMCE	Tax & n.i.	182.05
	G.P. Music	Concert	678.12
		total	860.17

(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.

11. To agree the list of burials and memorials

Cllr Wilkinson proposed accepting the burials of Joseph Robert Vokes, scattering of ashes for June Shiela Foskett and memorial for Sally Million. 2nd Cllr Cooper and agreed.

12. Correspondence – see attached list

1. Cllr Blake-James proposed this council adopt the Town Crier from 1st April 2009 with the terms to be agreed at the next P&R meeting. 2nd Cllr Cooper and agreed,

5. refer to closed part

10. Clerk attending seminar at Beverley 12.03.09

16 Footpath salting to be referred to our insurers once the new policy in place The invitation to the Power of well-being on 24.03.09 – Cllrs Blake-James, Shepherd, Cooper and Marron and clerk would like to attend.

14. Consider the Town Clerks report

The report was noted. The planning of a Community Street Survey was to be carried out.

15. To receive and agree committee minutes

P&R 25.02.09 Proposed by Cllr Blake-James 2nd Cllr Scaife and agreed. Cllr Blake-James asked for clarification on the twinning visit and updated the meeting on the proposed brown signs. Further work on the design to be done.

L&P 04.03.09 Proposed by Cllr Petrie and 2nd Cllr Scaife and agreed. Cllr Petrie thanked Cllr Scaife for his enthusiasm in assisting the skate-board group. He expressed surprise about the Civic Societies view.

Planning 04.03.09 Proposed by Cllr Wilkinson 2nd Cllr Cooper and agreed.

16. Receive representative reports.

Cllr Sykes had attended the Standards Board presentation, Civic Society, Fair Trade and Drifffield Playpark

Cllr Cooper attended Fair Trade where the Bishop of Selby had given a thought provoking address.

Cllr Scaife: Code of conduct training

Cllr Marron: NHS meeting

Cllr Perry: Woldgate Governors, & Fairtrade litter pick by Duke of Edinburgh candidates next pick on 28th March

Cllr Wilkinson: Play Area Group

Cllr Blake-James: Standards Board training, Wold Tourism Partnership

Cllr Bryon: Fair Trade meeting and code of conduct

Cllr Shepherd tendered his Mayors duties list

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.

13 Correspondance;

5 noted

The personnel committee are to sit to consider adopting a new grievance procedure for the council

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Signed as a true record of the meetingTown Mayor

MEETING 11 MARCH 2009

CORRESPONDENCE

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|----|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Geoff Shearsby | Status of Town Cryer |
| 2 | Vaughtons | price increase |
| 3 | ERYC | Street lighting costs |
| 4 | ERYC | Rough sleeping |
| 5 | Wood Sherwood | letters re rear Arts Centre |
| 6 | Wold Haven | dangerous footpath |
| 7 | Paula Danby | re Station Rd car park |
| 8 | ERYC | 40mph The Mile |
| 9 | Pocklington Practice | update on redev. Plans |
| 10 | ERYC | Road repairs discussion |
| 11 | Britannia Preservation | wood decay services |
| 12 | ERYC | Enforcement notice |
| 13 | Big Lottery Fund | Acknowledgement |
| 14 | HMCE | New codes |
| 15 | ERYC | Go-ahead for 20mph limit |
| 16 | ERYC | Footpath salting |
| 17 | ERYC | 60/40 lighting replacement |
| 18 | WPS | Insurance quote |

19	Zurich	Insurance quote
20	Yorkshire in Bloom	judges announced
21	ERNLLCA	Advanced chairmanship tr Request to erect shed on allot
22	Vivien Fulford	
23	Arts Society	grant application
24	Book Festival	grant application
25	PWLB	Final payment of mortgage
26	BT	Quote for switchboard

MEETINGS & INVITATIONS

1	Yorkshire Wolds	AGM 21st March M.W.
2	Local Access Forum	County Hall 11.03.09 Power of wellbeing 24.03.09
3	SLCC	
4	Gian Foundation	InvitationGolf day 12.09.09 Larger Councils
5	SLCC	Conference 16.04.09

BULLETINS & NEWSLETTERS

1	Humbrella	newsletter
2	Village Hall Survey	survey
3	Standards Board	newsletter
4	ERVAS	newsletter
5	AMT	Policy into Practice
6	ERYC	Parish News