

# POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES

Meeting of the Town Council  
Meeting Room Old Courthouse George Street Pocklington  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2009 at 7.00 pm

Present: Councillor Sykes, (Chairman), Bryon, Cooper, Elliott, Marron, Held, Perry, Scaife, Shepherd & Wilkinson.

Before the commencement of the meeting Celia Evans and Neil Bravey from the Citizens Advice Bureau addressed the council on the funding of the CAB. They explained the outreach facility at Pocklington now opens twice a week, the 2<sup>nd</sup> day being possible through some short term funding which expires in March 2010. Since the recession they have seen a significant increase in their workload on debt and employment issues. The CAB have had to merge with the Hull CAB to enable a credible bid to be made to run the Community Legal Aid Network which has to be submitted by 13.10.09. It is a competitive tender arrangement which aims to give the service to the highest need. This means Pocklington is not well placed as it has a low unemployment rate with only 5% claiming benefit compared to Bridlington which has 30%. The running costs for the Pocklington service is £5,000 per year so any funding from local sources would help keep the service open. Both visitors were thanked for their input and informed that their request for funding would be sympathetically considered.

Rev Dalley the Council Chaplain then led the council in prayers.

In attendance: A member of the press, town clerk and a member of the public

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Blake-James (family commitment) Cllr Petrie (harvesting) Cllr Dexter (another engagement)

2. Declarations of Interest: Cllr Scaife made a declaration of personal interest in relation to items 7, 9, & 10. Cllr Wilkinson declared a personal interest in item 9.

3. Consider the Arts Centre Managers report  
The assistant manager, James Duffy, presented the report because the manager was on holiday. The Centre had received a request from a reporter from the Observer to attend one of the liver performances. The Friends had held a market stall for new members on Tuesday which had attracted 10 new members. Interviews for a new venue technician were to take place shortly.

4. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> August 2009

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

5. To report any matters arising.  
There were no matters arising

6. Receive an update on the position of flood prevention work for the town.

Cllr Cooper made a presentation of photographs taken of obstructions to the free flowing of Pocklington Beck. After a discussion it was agreed to again write to the Gas Board asking that urgent action be taken in relation to the gas pipe supports at London Bridge. A copy of the letter to be sent to the HSE. Cllr Bryon thanked the flood committee for their continued work to achieve improvements.

7. Update on the campaign to keep our car parks free. Cllr Marron said little had changed because of the council being in recess. The recommendation from the car park review was to be put before the cabinet but a date had yet to be notified.

8. Update on the Mayor's Charity event 30<sup>th</sup> October 2009  
About 30 tickets had been sold to date. Further arrangements to be made in relation to the drinks, nibbles and raffle.

9. Update on the offer of Broadmanor to the Town Council  
It was agreed to arrange a meeting between the two groups on Broadmanor to try to resolve differences and then decide on the way forward.

10. Discuss the forthcoming meeting the ERYC Chief Executive  
Those attending will to decide on the information to be taken to the meeting including photographs of broken pavers, poor roads and the copy letters from Mr Skidmore on the RTO's and the toilets. To continue to look for temporary library premises.

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

(a) Cllr Bryon proposed authorising the below payments. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Shepherd and agreed.

(b) Cllr Bryon proposed authorising the payments fro the Arts Centre. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Shepherd and agreed.

PTC2317	Various	Cash	Petty Cash	82.48
2318	4209	Npower	Christmas lights	638.99
2319	4021	Arthur Woodcock	Telephone allowance	60.00
SO	4037	J R Turnbull	Cemetery maintenance	587.35
	4037	Glenfield Garden Services	All Saints maintenance	127.40
	4043	Visual Security Systems	CCTV	74.75
BP	4056	Wood Sherwood	Professional fees	764.30
	4207 & 4037	Big Sign Co	Cycle race banner	404.02
	4036	A & L Stewart	Oak House Electrics	2,853.91
	4200	Burnby Hall Gardens	Band Concerts	610.00
	4019	Woodmil Ltd	Photocopier maintenance	127.94

4021	BT	Telephone bill	229.57
			<b>6,560.71</b>
<b>PAC</b>			
104786	GT Graphics	Printing	303.00
104787	Warner Bros	Film Rental	131.61
104788	WC Forth	Stationery	16.56
104789	AY Creative Services	Leaflet Distribution	98.90
104790	PJ Biggins	Book Keeping	379.50
104791	Premier Business Supplies	Cleaning Products	112.94
104792	Hulleys	Ice-creams	140.64
104793	Mint Creative	Artwork Design	57.50
104794	AB Electrical	Bulbs	35.08
104795	YVS Wholesale	Sweets	143.75
104796	MW Productions Ltd	Performance Fee	3,162.50
104797	Petty Cash	Cash	200.00
104798	Petty Cash	cash	200.00
			<b>4,981.98</b>

12. To agree the list of burials and memorials

Cllr Blake-James proposed authorising the burials of Jean Brown, Michael Ian Mullarky, and memorials for Leonard Merrison, Eddie Coulson, & William Henry Stones. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Shepherd and agreed.

13. Correspondence – see attached list

6. The application to be submitted without internal photographs

7. A totally unsatisfactory response

12. It was agreed to write a letter of support for the new visitors centre at Burnby Hall Gardens

13. Noted – costings for keeping the Arts Centre open longer during the refurbishment of the library being obtained

15. We have responded to the Woodland Trust and await Burnby Hall Gardens to write to them

16. All councillors invited to attend the green communities seminar

23. Pleasing to receive such a report – Arthur Woodcock to be made aware

24. VSS – quotes to be considered at P&R

Action for Market Towns – it was agreed we should join for one year.

14. Town Clerks report

The report was noted - the council agreed to the clerk taking on the secretaries position for Burnby Hall Gardens Trust.

15. To receive and agree committee minutes

Flood meeting 18<sup>th</sup> September 2009 – Cllr Cooper proposed that the minutes be agreed. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Marron and agreed.

15. Consider any future actions to be taken in relation to any meetings of outside bodies.

Cllr Held announced that Jim & Peggy Dempster celebrate their Diamond Wedding anniversary the following Thursday.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

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

#### CORRESPONDENCE

1	HSBC	Business high interest deposit bond matures
2	Green Thumb	Scarification
3	Letter to ERYC	Re meeting with Ch. Ex.
4	NALC	Consolidation of Council tax demand
5	Hugh & Rosemary Sykes	Land at the rear of Pocklington Arts Centre
6	Letter to ERYC	Re: Burnby Hall listed building application
7	John Skidmore ERYC	Re: Disabled parking bays
8	ERYC	Temporary Road Closure - Cycle race
9	Leader	Briefing note
10	ERYC	Re: Review of car parking
11	Action for Market Towns	Information re membership
12	Stewart's Burnby Hall Gardens	Re: New visitor centre
13	ERYC John Skidmore	Re: Public Toilets
14	ERYC	East Riding Children's Centre
15	Woodland Trust	Primrose Wood
		Meeting 7pm on 22nd September Council offices
16	Green Communities	Meeting 9.30am on 30th October Burnby Hall
17	Community Led Parish Planning	Re floods
18	Jonathan Owen	Land at the rear of Pocklington Arts Centre
19	Wood Sherwood solicitors	RE Broadmanor Green Space
20	ERYC	Acknowledgement of letter
21	Rt Hon Greg Knight	Cycle display Youth Club
22	Jo Green	Congratulations on a clean town
23	R Brittain	Quote for CCTV additions
24	V.S.S.	re recent meeting
25	Copy of proposed letter to PCT	

#### MEETINGS AND INVITATIONS

1	East Yorkshire Town Councils Meet	
2	Action for Market Towns	Convention 13/14th October Melton Mowbray
3	Standards Committee	Agenda

#### BULLETINS AND NEWSLETTERS

1	ERNLLCA	Newsletter
2	Cllr David Sykes	Functions attended
3	SLCC	newsletter
4	ERVAS	Newsletter
5	Allotment Association	The carrot Crusader