

POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES

Meeting of the Town Council
Meeting Room Old Courthouse George Street Pocklington
Wednesday 15th December 2010 at 6.30 pm

Present: Councillors Cooper (Chairman), Blake-James, Bryon, Marron, Perry, Scaife, Shepherd, & Sykes. Cllr West our ward councillor was present.

Jo Green who leads the Sustainable Transport initiative of the Gateway project presented the Mayor with a 'Walkers are Welcome' certificate and outlined what accreditation meant for the town. Kate Walker who is studying for a Masters degree in Marketing at Hull University Geography department was introduced by John Brown. Kate is willing to carry out research on community marketing for us as part of her work placement. Councillors agreed this would be most useful.

attendance: Janet Farmer & James Duffy from the Arts Centre for the first item
Clerk & reporter from the Pocklington Post.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Wilkinson (out of town), Cllr Held (unable to get through snow), Cllr Petrie (illness), Cllr Elliott (another engagement)
2. Declarations of Interest: Cllr Scaife declared a personal interest in item 11.
3. Consider the Arts Centre Managers report Janet Farmer reported cinema attendances have been moderate but this is in common with other venues. Janet spoke on the second quarter figures which had been circulated. Councillors thanked everyone at the Arts Centre for their continued support in these difficult economic times.
4. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held 10th November 2010
Cllr Scaife proposed the minutes be accepted as a true record. 2nd Cllr Shepherd and agreed.
5. To report any matters arising. There were no matters arising.
6. Consider assisting with the placement of a student from Hull University. Councillors were keen to support the placement and welcomed the proposal. Cllr Sykes proposed that a budget be allocated for travelling and expenses the amount to be agreed at the next meeting. 2nd Cllr Perry & agreed.
7. Consider the frequency of meetings.
Councillor Scaife proposed that as the reduced meeting schedule had been a success we continue with it. 2nd Cllr Sykes and agreed.
8. Consider any assistance the council maybe able to give local businesses. Guy Scott from the fishmongers was unable to present his ideas to the council so this item was adjourned until the February meeting.
9. Consider the suggestion from Mrs Brant about Pocklington Market. ERYC have spoken to stallholders who are to open their stalls at both sides for an experimental period – the matter will then be reviewed.

10. Revue the Late Night Shopping event. Councillors agreed it had been a most successful event for which congratulations should be given to the organisers. A de-brief is to be held in the New Year. It was felt the tone of the event was right with the fairground rides being in the right proportion. Letters of thanks to be sent to the organisers, Pentecostal Church, Arthur & ERYC for their street clearance efforts.

11. Discuss the current position on car parking charges. After a discussion it was agreed to organise a meeting in the Haltemprice area to review

12. Discuss the progress on the PTC's priorities as set out in the summer. The clerk updated councillors on the three priorities. 1. Quality Status – application submitted – will be considered in late January 2. 1st floor of Oak House – we await details of an independent conservation expert to assist us with our plan to utilize the 1st floor as a useable space. Ward councillors to be asked to support the project. 3. Broadmanor lease. ERYC have agreed to lease the land (terms to be finalised) Planning permission required for playpark (applied for). WREN grant put on hold until these matters finalised.

13. Receive a verbal report from our District Councillors. Cllr West updated the meeting on the efforts of ERYC to keep roads and footpaths as clear of snow & ice as possible.

14. To receive the financial statement of

(a) Pocklington Town Council and authorise payments: Cllr Shepherd proposed the below payments be authorised. 2nd Cllr Bryon and agreed.

PTC			
SO	J R Turnbull	Cemetery Maintenance	600.12
	VSS	CCTV	76.38
BP	4001 R Wood	Nov Salary	
	4002 J Farmer	Nov Salary	
	4004 S Knill	Nov Salary	
	4017 E Moore	Nov Salary	
	4005 A Woodcock	Nov Salary	
	Various HMRC	Tax & NIC	
	4037 Travis Perkins	Paint	82.03
	4024 SLCC	Membership	190.00
	4023 G T Graphics	Raffle Tickets	47.00
	4036 Chubb	Annual Charge	434.09
	4056 ERYC	Planning Fees	300.00
	4209 David Thurlow	Erection of Christmas lights	3,160.16
	4209 D L Wilkinson	Cherry Picker for Christmas lights	970.55
	4037 Wolds Engineering	Performance Gloves	35.96
	4036 Travis Perkins	Hardwood	56.91
	4037 Travis Perkins	Shovel	15.29
	4015 British Gas	Gas supply	216.06
	4056 RBS Software	Omega software maintenance	246.75
	4036 Ken Falkingham	Paint	11.54
	4209 Charlestown Ltd	Bolt testing for overhead wires	337.41
	4036 Don Ogram	New nameboard	190.00
	4200 Market Weighton Boys Brigade	Band performance fee	500.00
ch 2407	Petty cash	Petty cash total	72.66
			13,558.48
PAC	J Duffy	Nov Salary	
	F Argyle	Nov Salary	

N Rudsdale	Nov Salary	
R Garnon	Nov Salary	
T Morris	Nov Salary	
T Stalker	Nov Salary	
P Jennings	Nov Salary	
H French	Nov Salary	
J Cox	Nov Salary	
E Holmes-O'Brien	Nov Salary	
HMRC	Tax & NIC	822.70
ERYC	Licensing Fee	180.00
PC World	Computer equipment	2,023.87
GT Graphics	Printing	32.90
NTC Theatre Co	Performance Fee	816.63
Wold Top Brewery	Bar Supplies	176.96
W & C Forth	Stationery/stamps	15.88
Performing Rights Soc	Licence	655.92
Euroblues Promotions	Ticket Sales	1,992.25
Yorkshire Water	Water rates	210.56
POS Yorkshire	Film Delivery	193.87
Johnston Publishing	PockPost Ad	80.00
YVS Wholesale	Confectionary	96.40
Mint Creative Solutions	Graphic Design	552.00
Hulleys	Ices	323.20
Paramount	1 film+ bal of 1 film	552.23
Albino Records	Band performance fee	1,200.00
Gecko Geeks	Computer technical support	375.00
JSS Audio	Sound/PA	352.50
James Duffy	Re-imburse CC Lanyards	184.43
Eric Lee	Electrical supplies	53.41
KJ Falkingham	Supplies	61.80
Hitachi Capital Invoice	We Brand It Lanyards	168.03
Finance		
Yorkshire Music	Sam Dunkley fee	1,325.40
Craig Parkin	fees	696.20
	total	15,886.00

(b) Consider the bank statements and agree payments for Pocklington Arts Centre. Cllr Shepherd proposed the below payments be authorised. 2nd Cllr Bryon and agreed.

(c) Agree a budget for 2011/2012 and the precept required. The clerk produced a proposed budget which required a £202,000 precept. The Mayor had circulated a paper to councillors which urged them consider an increase. After a discussion Cllr Marron proposed a nil growth budget which required a precept of £202,000. 2nd Cllr Sykes. A vote was then taken in which 6 voted for and 2 abstained. The proposition was therefore agreed.

15. To agree the list of burials and memorials: Cllr Shepherd proposed the burial of Sarah Emma Hall's ashes and memorials for Dawn Heather Gatenby, Sarah Emma Hall, & Edward Wilkinson be approved. 2nd Cllr Perry and agreed.

16. Correspondence – see per list

7. Grant application from Pocklington Rugby Club 13 Grant application from Citizens Advice to be considered at the next meeting. 19 The problems being experienced near the Aldi site were noted.

20. Market traders have been asked to open their stall on both sides for a trial period. 23 ERYC Election costs – to be considered at the next Policy & Resources.

17. Town Clerks report

The report was noted.

18. To receive and agree committee minutes

Policy & Resources 24th November 2010 proposed by Cllr Scaife 2nd Cllr Sykes
Planning 3rd December 2010 proposed by Cllr Marron 2nd Cllr Bryon and agreed.

19. Consider closing the meeting to the public Cllr Cooper 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 Shepherd and agreed.

20. Receive a statement from Cllr Bryon Cllr Bryon spoke to the council about a private matter.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

Signed as a true record of the meetingTown Mayor

CORRESPONDENCE

1 British Gas	Smart Meter
2 CE Electric	Festive Lighting
3 Yorks Wildlife Trust	Parish Ponds Partnership Project
4 ICO	Confirmation of Renewal
5 Mind	Thanks for donation
6 Mind	Change of VAT rate
7 Pocklington RUFC	Grant Application
8 M & R Amusements	Fair dates for 2011
9 Barmby Moor PC	Sign near Wilberforce Lodge
10 Nat West Bank	Deposit Account Mandate
11 Nat West Bank	Re new account
12 ERYC	Rough sleeper estimate
13 Citizens Advice	Request for donation
14 Navigus Planning	Journal of Local Planning
15 Yorkshire Post	ER Council Leader row
16 ERNLLCA	Membership Fees
17 British Legion	Removal of Poppy Wreaths
18 British Gas	Re Smart meter
19 John Beck	Concerns re Aldi development
20 ERYC	Market traders
21 ERYC	Car Parking Review Panel
22 ERYC	Overview & Scrutiny Workshops
23 ERYC	Election costs

MEETINGS AND INVITATIONS

1 RBS Software	Training Workshops 2011
2 Joint Access Forum	15.12.2010
3 ERYC	Standards board 22.12.10

BULLETINS AND NEWSLETTERS

1 Holme News	
2 Airmyn Landscapes	Offer of services
3 Green Vale Gardens	Offer of services
4 NHS Blood	Donation Sessions
5 G K Beulah	2011 Price List
6 Green Thumb	Winter Treatment
7 Humberside Police	December Update
8 British Gas	PR letter