

POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES

Meeting of the Town Council
Meeting Room Old Courthouse George Street Pocklington
Wednesday 9th March 2011 at 7pm

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

In attendance: Clerk, Janet Farmer & James Duffy from the Arts Centre and two members of the public and a member of the press.

Before the start of the meeting Rev. David Johnson the Council Chaplain, lead the Council in prayers. Rev. Johnson was thanked for his organisation of the Civic Service the previous Sunday which had been enjoyed by all who attended.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Perry (away) Cllr Blake-James (away)
2. Receive any declarations of interest in relation to any agenda item.
Cllr Scaife declared a personal interest in items relating to car parking charges and Broadmanor. Cllr Petrie declared a personal interest in invoice for the Feathers Hotel.
3. Consider the Arts Centre Manager's report. Both Janet Farmer & James Duffy gave a verbal report on the current Arts Centre activities. Cinema had taken a dramatic upturn with The Kings Speech proving very popular. There had been a delay in getting details of the cost of digitisation from central funders but this was expected by late April. Councillors were reminded about the fashion show being organised by the Friends on 21st March and an evenings entertainment on 1st May. Staff were congratulated on how they dealt with a power cut during a film showing. It was found that extra emergency lights are needed which have been ordered.
4. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 9th February 2011 Cllr Scaife proposed they be accepted. 2nd Cllr Wilkinson and agreed.
5. To report matters arising from those minutes not on the agenda – for information only. Cllr Marron demonstrated the new pages for the web-site. Cllr Petrie proposed the first version be installed. 2nd Cllr Scaife and agreed. The scale of charges for extra features will be further explored with the proceeds being earmarked to help groups and organisations in the town. Cllr Marron was thanked for his organisation of this.
6. To consider an update from the most recent meeting on formulation of a community plan Councillors read the notes which had been taken at the meeting held on 2nd March. It was agreed to invite Peter Hirschfield to another meeting to try and move the subject forward.
7. Discuss the current position on car parking charges and consider the latest letter from Kristan Livingston. The clerk reported having difficulty in interpreting the implications of the cost to Pocklington if we leased the car parks from East Riding. It was agreed the Councils Against Car Parking Charges Group should now ask for a meeting with Mrs Livingston to make more sense of the situation.

8. Update on the Civic Service held on Sunday 6th March 2011 The Mayor said he was pleased with the way the arrangements had gone and thanked all those who had assisted. The day had been particularly enjoyable. Rev. Johnson had already been thanked for his part.
9. Update on the arrangements for St Georges Day celebrations on 23rd April 2011. Cllr Sykes said he had arranged for a face-painter to be available. The Arts Centre would provide suitable music on the day with the possibility of broadcasting it in the street. The Lions Club to be asked if they would erect a gazebo for use if the weather was poor. Plans were being worked on providing a buffet lunch for the Morris dancers at the courthouse.
10. Receive an update on the Independent conservation officers report on our plans for the 1st floor of Oak House. The clerk reported on a visit made by an independent conservation officer who was mostly supportive about our plans. He is to submit an initial report and has now been asked to arrange a meeting with the ERYC conservation officer to see if a compromise maybe possible.
11. Receive a verbal report from our district councillors Due to other commitments apologies had been received from our three district councillors.
12. To receive the financial statement of
 - (a) Pocklington Town Council and agree payments.
 - (b) Consider the bank statements, and agree payments from Pocklington Arts Centre.

PTC		J R Turnbull	Cemetery Maintenance	612.89
DD		VSS	CCTV - Jan 11	78.00
		VSS	CCTV - Feb 11	78.00
		Petty Cash	Petty Cash	68.60
BP	4001	R Wood	February Salary	
	4002	J Farmer	February Salary	
	4004	S Knill	February Salary	
	4005	A Woodcock	February Salary	
	4017	E Moore	February Salary	
	Various	HMRC	Tax & NIC	1,687.28
	4036	Neville Tucker	Boiler repairs	757.69
	4203	Aldby Field Nurseries	Plants	172.68
	4056	Wood Sherwood	Mouse House lease renewal	204.00
	4037	Mike Stubbins	Remove and repair railings	216.00
	4037	Wolds Engineering	Boots	41.40
	4043	H S Thirsk & Son	Wiring for CCTV at Feathers	120.00
	4208	C&N Wines	Wine for Civic Service	41.00
	4208	MW Boys Brigade Band	Civic Service	125.00
	4023	Pocklington Picture Framing	Quality Status Cert	16.00
	4037	Greengrass Recycling	10 x £10 vouchers	100.00
				8,519.06

PAC				
BP		James Duffy	February Salary	
		Frank Argyle	February Salary	
		Richard Garnon	February Salary	
		Nigel Rudsdale	February Salary	
		Tom Stalker	February Salary	
		Tom Morris	February Salary	
		Paul Jennings	February Salary	
		James Cox	February Salary	
		Evie Holmes-O'Brien	February Salary	
		HMRC	Tax & NIC	671.44

BACS	E One	Film Rental	94.00
	Avalon Promotions	Performance Fee	1,817.95
	JSS Audio	PA Rental	150.00
	NTC	Performance Fee	834.00
	YPO	Arts & Archive Materials	132.12
	Hulleys	Ice-cream	193.45
	POS Yorkshire	Film Transport	158.40
	We Brand It	Lanyard Design	54.05
	GT Graphics	Printing	28.80
	YVS Wholesale	Confectionary	204.47
	PA Foreman	Ice-cream	141.00
	The Feathers	Accommodation	47.00
	Forths	Stationery	95.36
	Adastra	Performance Fee	1,080.00
	Johnston Publishing	Advertising	60.00
	Janet Farmer	Expenses	318.05
	Performing Rights Society	PRS	1,297.20
	Charles Hyde & Sons	Cleaning Products	2.17
105206	Beautiful North	Performance Fee	2,172.10
105207	PPAC	Leaflet Distribution	35.00
105208	Friends of PAC	Ticket Sales	619.20
105209	Sheila Derrick	Bar Supplies	60.00
105210	Petty Cash	Cash	250.00
			12,701.14

Cllr Bryon proposed the above list be agreed for payment. 2nd Cllr Shepherd

13. To agree the list of burials Cllr Wilkinson proposed the burials of Nora Cahlin, and Barbara Sheila Young & memorial for Harold Hall be approved. 2nd Cllr Scaife and agreed

14. Correspondence – as per list

2. The letter was noted with regret

3. Should we not hear from the Charity Commission within the next month consideration to be made to complain to the ombudsman.

10. Letter to be sent to ERYC highlighting the problems

17. The training of new councillors will become very important once the new council is formed. Any unspent money to be carried forward in this budget-head.

20. Our bid to the Green Communities for assistance with the cost of an energy audit was rejected. It was agreed to get the carbon trust to quote for this work.

15. Consider the Town Clerk's report – the report was noted Cllr Petrie proposed that the quote for distribution of 15,000 of the Pocklington leaflets for £350 be accepted. 2nd Cllr Scaife and agree. The clerk asked if the council were willing to take on the refurbishment and maintenance of the notice board at Burnby Hall previously owned by the Chamber of Trade. It was agreed the council should do this and that Hedgehog Publications (the designer of the Pocklington leaflet) be asked to advise on what should go into the display.

16. Consider the minutes of the Policy & Resources meeting held on 23rd February 2011. Cllr Scaife proposed these be accepted 2nd Cllr Wilkinson and agreed.

17. Receive reports from any other meetings Cllr Cooper had been to a Gateway meeting when it was requested a letter of support be given for the Pilgrimage of Grace project. This was agreed. His charity event Pocklington Presents is being

held at the Arts Centre on 12th May. And 10 acts had booked a place. Everyone was asked to do all they could to attend.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed as a true record
Councillor Martin Cooper Mayor of Pocklington

CORRESPONDENCE

1 ERYC	Report of the Car Parking Review Panel
2 ERYC	CCTV
3 Powell & Young	Lease of Primrose Wood
4 ERYC	Proposed Lease - Broadmanor Play Area
5 HMRC	Paying PAYE electronically
6 ERYC	Street Parties
7 HSBC	When High Interest Deposit Bonds mature
8 Cllr R Almond - Anlaby	Parking Charges
9 ERYC	Planning meeting - Broadmanor
10 Brian Murray	Parking problems at Wold Garth
11 Aon	Insurance renewal
12 Commission for Rural Communities	State of countryside updates
13 Wolds Wonders	Letter of thanks
14 ERYC	Localism Bill
15 Wood Sherwood	Lease of The Mouse House
16 York College	Career Placement
17 ERNLLCA	Training for Councillors
18 NALC	Local Government Pay
19 Environment Agency	Pocklington Beck
20 Green Communities	Expert Support application
21 Minster Rail Campaign	Update on Beverley to York railway line
22 Yorkshire in Bloom	Spring and Summer judging

MEETINGS AND INVITATIONS

1 ERYC	Flood Liaison Group 18.03.11 at 10.00
2 Crime Prevention Panel	Minutes 25.01.11
3 PACMT	Minutes 01.02.11
4 Gateway Partnership	Minutes 08.02.11
5 LAT Meeting	Agenda 10.03.11

BULLETINS AND NEWSLETTERS

1 ERVAS	Newsletter
2 Friends of PAC	Newsletter
3 Humberside Police	Pocklington Provincial update March 2011