

POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES

Meeting of the Town Council
Meeting Room Old Courthouse George Street Pocklington
Wednesday 11th July 2012 at 7pm

Present: Councillors Marron (Chairman), Bryon, Cox, Perry, Ratcliffe, Shepherd, Spademan, and Taylor. Councillor West our district councillor, five members of the public & the clerk.

Before the start of the meeting Councillor Alan Spademan led the council in prayers.

1. To receive any apologies for absence. Apologies had been received from Cllr's Hamilton (work commitments), Jones (family illness), Sykes (ill) and Cooper (another engagement)
2. To receive any declarations of interest in relation to any agenda item. Councillors are asked to declare their interest as either personal or prejudicial. None were given.
3. Consider closing the meeting to allow an opportunity for person(s) or groups to address the council for a period of up to 15 minutes. Peter Morris from Barratt Developments had asked to update the council on their proposal for the Burnby Lane Kilnwick Road site but failed to attend. Deborah England spoke to the council about her concerns relating to the closing shops in the town. She had opened a Facebook page to debate the subject Having moved to the town four years ago when the variety of small shops was very wide she has gradually seen a variety of shops close. Perhaps landlords and councils should be more flexible to try to retain tenants? 'Pop-up' shops would be helpful enabling starter businesses to try and establish. She felt all local business need to support each other. She was willing to take part in a 'town team' to try to revitalise the town centres as suggested by Mary Portas. Cllr Marron thanked her for her input. Cllr Shepherd reported the local Chamber of Trade closed through lack of interest. Cllr Bryon urged local people to shop locally as often it can be as cheap as retail outlets. Cllr Perry expressed concern about the number of charity shops in the town and their increasing sale of new goods. Cllr Marron said he could get the Association of Market Towns group to attend a meeting. Cllr Taylor said could the slogan she had chosen be more positive?
4. Consider re-opening the meeting. Councillor Spademan proposed the meeting be re-opened 2nd Cllr. Perry and agreed.
5. Consider the Arts Centre Managers report. Janet Farmer and James Duffy presented their report. Cinema attendances have been moderate but the live broadcast of the Raymondo ballet had attracted a large audience. Eight live broadcasts are included in the new programme which is expected soon. After his appearance at the centre Richard Hawley was very complimentary in a Radio 6 interview. A Woldgate College student called Ryan is doing his work experience for the week which he is enjoying. Arrangements had been made which allows the centre to remain open on Thursday afternoons. Currently Gina Campbell is holding music exams. Staff had recently attended an Arts Council small venues network meeting. A new exhibition by Steve Dove has just started which is worth a visit. The Mayor's charity event featuring our MP Greg Knight and his band MP4 is to be held on 14th September. Please support this event.

6. To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 13th June 2012 Cllr Shepherd proposed they be accepted 2nd Cllr Cox and agreed.
7. To report matters arising from those minutes not on the agenda – for information only. No subjects were raised.
8. Consider and agree the 3 priorities for this council for year 2012/2013 After a discussion it was agreed the following priorities will be followed:
- Form a Youth Council
 - Refurbishment of Oak House
 - Formulation of a Town Development Plan
9. Progress on web-site development & sponsorship Cllr Marron reported having taken photographs of the businesses who are to take part – he will then incorporate them into new pages for consideration.
10. Receive a report on the plans for the refurbishment of the 1st floor of Oak House. A meeting had been held the previous evening where agreement had been reached on taking the plans forward to the planning stage. Whilst it had been agreed to utilize the alcove alongside the existing office to enlarge and improve the office accommodation staff would like to meet with councillors to discuss this aspect further. The Conservation Officer to be contacted about the type of front door which would be allowed.
11. Receive a verbal report from our district councillors Councillor Kay West reported a successful French Twinning visit. The Economic development unit are about to issue a report which will be worth reading.
12. To receive the financial statement of
- (a) Pocklington Town Council and agree payments West Ratcliffe
 - (b) Consider the bank statements, and agree payments from Pocklington Arts Centre.

PTC				
DD	4061	PWLB	mortgage repayment	15391.23
DD	4043	Visual Security Systems	CCTV maintenance	90.00
BP	4037	Tracey's Red Hat hire	strimmer wire	12.41
	4203	Earley Ornamentals	summer bedding plants	403.20
	4203	Aldby Field Nurseries	lamp-post rings	487.20
	4036	Travis Perkins	gravel for cemetery	93.92
	4207	Cas care	First aid for jubilee event	200.00
	4036	Neville Tucker	maintenance of heating/air cond	891.23
	4036	Steve Wilcock	Repair of toilet Arts Centre	101.52
	4036	Playscheme	Broadmanor playpark	41825.76
2491	4072	Pocklington Lions	Grant	250.00
	4208	R Wood	reception drinks for French visit	48.36
2490	various	Petty cash	Petty cash	93.96
	4207	G Shearsby	uniform cleaning	16.00
			total	59904.79
		Premier Business		
BACS		Supplies	Cleaning Supplies	£25.80
BACS		LipService Ltd	Fee	£1,200.00
BACS		PA Foreman	Ice-cream	£156.67

BACS	GT Graphics	Printing	£250.20
BACS	2Boards	Fee	£200.00
BACS	Picture House	Film Rental	£1,224.60
BACS	Lionsgate	Film Rental	£392.50
BACS	POS Yorkshire	Film Transport	£198.00
BACS	Hulleys	Ice-cream	£189.44
BACS	YPO	Office Supplies	£30.30
BACS	Healthy Thirst	Bar Supplies	£74.10
BACS	KJ Falkingham	Hardware	£14.52
BACS	JL Brooks	Sweets	£83.04
BACS	Cowboys & Iranians	Fee	£660.00
BACS	J Farmer	Expenses	£39.00
BACS	Driffield Agricultural Soc	Fee	£132.00
BACS	Galtres Festival	Fee	£60.00
BACS	Eric Lee	Electrical Products	£10.32
BACS	Hoodyco	Promotional Materials	£198.00
BACS	C Sleightholme	Expenses	£142.57
105291	Petty Cash	Cash	£500.00
		total	£5,781.06

13. To agree the list of burials Cllr Shepherd proposed the burials of Lorna Kathleen Turner Steel and Ian and Liane Rosemary Bolton and headstone for John Martin Lees be approved 2nd Cllr Cox and agreed.

14. Correspondence – as per list Cllr Spademan noted that some items of correspondence had not been acknowledged. He proposed that an acknowledgement letter or 'e' mail be sent stating that the matter will be tabled at the next council meeting and further contact will be made by councillors if appropriate. Cllr Marron said he would draft a standard letter. 2nd Cllr Perry & agreed.

12. Councillors were reminded to complete their declaration forms under the Localism Act.

14. Andrew Hart to be invited to nominate the subject he would like to address the next full council meeting on.

19. & 37. The full options appraisal was requested by councillors

23. It was decided not to re-locate the telephone kiosk in view of the difficulties we may experience.

29. The planter outside the Art & Rose Gallery is to be placed on wooden legs to level it. Don O'Gram to assist us with this task.

32. It was agreed the Town Council would take over the task of providing a sun-dial on the end of Sissons butchers shop to commemorate William Watson.

41. Les Waby to be invited to the next meeting on 25th July 2012.

15. Consider the Town Clerk's report The grass cutting at the cemetery was a matter of concern. The subject will be reviewed in October. Councillors were reminded that barriers were now stored at The Feathers for use in floods. Whilst there is no legal right to close roads off they can be used only in flood conditions.

16. Consider and agree the minutes of the Policy & Resources meeting on 27th June 2012 and the Planning committee on 27th June 2012. Cllr Cox proposed they be accepted. 2nd Cllr Perry & agreed.

17. Receive reports from any other meetings – Gateway etc. Mr Brown was allowed to speak about the Gateway work. The Mayor had attended the Pocktoberfest launch and had received a request from the Lions to use West Green for an 'It's a Knockout type event. Councillors agreed subject to proper insurance this should be allowed.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.22pm.

CORRESPONDENCE

1	Les Waby	Floods 09/06/12	
2	ERNLLCA	Code of Conduct update	
3	Roger Bruton	Library car park	
4	ERYC-Philip Hiscott	Barmby Road speed limit	
5	Journal of Local Planning	Localism Act & NPPF	
6	Yorkshire in Bloom	Thank you	
7	Jo Green	Naming of Oak House	
8	ERNLLCA	Resolutions to 2012 AGM	
9	Cllr Martin Cooper	LDF Meeting	
10	Cllr Martin Cooper	NDP seminar - summary	
11	Pennine Playgrounds	Outdoor Fitness	
12	ERYC - Julie Pledger	Localism Act - Code of Conduct	Forwarded
13	ERYC - Julie Pledger	Adoption of Code of Conduct	Forwarded
14	Andrew Hart	Naming of Oak House	
15	Ralph Smith	Picnic in the Park Event	
16	Peter Hirschfeld	Neighbourhood Plans	
17	ERYC-Stephen Hunt	Neighbourhood Plans	
18	ERNLLCA	Code of Conduct update	
19	Pocklington Group Practice	Proposed New Premises	
20	Dianne Owen	Positive Planning for Pocklington	
21	Lesley Bolton	Pocktoberfest Launch Event	
22	Les Waby	Pocklington Floods	
23	Rick Thompson - BT	Telephone Kiosk	
24	ERYC - Jessica Lee	Neighbourhood Plans	
25	ERYC - Jessica Lee	Neighbourhood Plans	Forwarded
26			Forwarded
27	Nigel Stutt	Power cuts in Pocklington	
28	Yvonne Reay	Barrat development	
29	Art & Rose Gallery	Planter outside shop	
30	ERYC	Code of Conduct guidance	
31	Andrew Hart	re Burnby Hall gardens	
32	History Group	Request to lead sun-dial project	
33	Andrew Hart	Complaint	
34	Andrew Hart	Re 102 vetran who died	
35	Andrew Hart	Re: the history group	
36	Stephen Hunt	Ranking order for LDF	
37	Pocklington Group Practice	Business case for new surgery	
38	Alexa Coupland	Leaving 'e' mail	
39	Mathew Buckley	Re discussions on LDF	
40	Terrence Norton	observations on health centre	
41	Les Waby	Re recent flooding	

MEETINGS AND INVITATIONS

