

MINUTES OF THE 2ND TOWN MEETING HELD AT POCKLINGTON ARTS CENTRE WEDNESDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2014 AT 7PM

In attendance: Forty members of the public and Cllr's Cox, Hutchinson, Perry, Ratcliffe, Riley, Spademan, Sykes, Taylor, West and Winterton.

1. The Town Mayor, Councillor Paul West, welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Cllr Cox proposed Cllr West be the chairman, 2nd Cllr Taylor and agreed
3. Cllr Spademan proposed that those who live outside the parish be allowed to speak at the meeting. Limit of 15minutes for each subject suggested. 2nd Cllr Riley and agreed.
4. Presentation of prizes for the draw of all those who completed the Neighbourhood Development Plan questionnaire. Hazel Harrison the overall winner was presented with a gift voucher for Sainsbury's. The second prize of a £50 voucher from Sainsbury's was John Terry from Westfield Road and the third prize of a meal for two at Judsons was won by James Mangham of Stewart Court. Both Mr Terry & Mr Mangham could not attend so they will be sent their prizes. The Mayor thanked everyone who had completed a questionnaire and then asked Peter Hirschfield to give an update on the results. The Mayor then congratulated Geoff Sheasby the Town Crier on being awarded the Fred Ferris trophy at a recent town crier event.
5. Peter Hirschfield presented the results from the Neighbourhood Development Plan questionnaires. The main findings included:
 - Affordable Housing, Small Homes & Retirement/sheltered Housing
 - Infrastructure development before homes & town layout re new development + link to A1079
 - Flood mitigation
 - Employment opportunities locally
 - Improvements to the Industrial Estate
 - Connectivity within Pocklington

Those present were encouraged to put their views on post-it notes for further consideration.

6. The Mayor then gave a presentation about the work of the council during the last year which included introducing each councillor.

7. Questions from the floor were then taken. A resident was concerned about the need for a footpath to the new houses to be built on Burnby Lane. When is the link road going to be built between The Balk and Burnby Lane? The ends promised for the bus shelter outside the council office have never been fitted. Was a bus stop to be organised near to the new doctors surgery. Volunteers are sought to drive a community bus to provide a local bus service in the town. A common engagement diary was being worked on for the town. Traffic problems in Hodsow Lane were highlighted along with Cemetery Lane and The Mile where cars park near to the roundabout. Real concern was expressed about buses collecting and dropping off outside Pocklington School. Cllr Perry who is on the Governors said the school were thinking about utilizing what used to be the tennis courts at the front of the building for a bus dropping off area. The Mayor agreed to include these items on the next Road Safety meeting agenda. The external examination of the East Riding Plan was currently being held at Beverley and the morning of 14th November has been set aside for Pocklington's allocation to be debated.

8. Everyone was thanked for their attendance. The next Town Meeting will be held in April 2015.