

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2016 AT 6.30PM IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, STUBBINS HILL, EDLINGTON**

**Present:** Mayor Joan Briggs (Chairman) and Councillors Frank Arrowsmith, Don Astbury, Bob Johnson, Jim Mourning, Georgina Mullis, Ray Mullis and Maureen Patterson.

**Also in Attendance:** Simon Oldham (Town Clerk) and DMBC Ward Councillor Phil Cole. No members of the public present.

**2016.163 To receive and consider apologies for absence.**  
Councillor Alan Cross.

**2016.164 To consider motions for the variation to the order of business (if any).**  
**RESOLVED** to bring forward agenda item 9.2(a) "Seeking Ward Cllr support for S106 monies towards former allotment improvements & notification of DMBC Environmental Flexible Fund", to be taken in the presence of Ward Councillor Cole immediately after the "Public Speaking" agenda item.

**2016.165 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's code of conduct or Members register of disclosable pecuniary interests.**  
There were no declarations.

**2016.166 To identify items for which the press and public may be excluded (if any).**  
None proposed.

**2016.167 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 as a true and accurate record.**  
**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as a correct record.

**2016.168 Public Speaking Session – In accordance with Standing Order 3.e, a period not exceeding 15 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to speak & make representations (maximum of 3 minutes for each person).**  
No members of the public present.

**2016.169 Seeking Ward Cllr support for S106 monies towards former allotment improvements & notification of DMBC Environmental Flexible Fund**  
**RESOLVED** (1) to note the discussions with Ward Councillor Cole regarding the competing requests/demands that he had for utilisation of remaining S106 monies on projects in Edlington and Warmsworth and that in principle he would like to support the Town Council/Community Woodland Group's aspirations to install CCTV coverage at Martinwells Lane also covering the adjacent former allotment land, subject to further information being supplied and after he has liaised with his fellow Ward Councillor in this regard (2) to note that the Clerk was pursuing advice from DMBC regarding a potential application to the DMBC Environmental Flexible Fund via the Community Woodland Steering Group and (3) to support in principle Ward Councillor Cole's desire in relation to Thomas Street Garages, of the potential for additional car parking space to be located here to cater for the difficulties of residents not being able to park in front of their properties as an alternative to the likely prospect of St Leger Homes wanting to sell this land off for additional housing.

**2016.170 To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary.**  
(a) Follow up meeting (9/11/16) with statutory agencies re Staveley Street/Victoria Avenue further to site meeting held on 5/10/16 to develop an action plan to address criminal activity, fly-tipping and ASB.

**RESOLVED** to note the reporting by the Clerk of an e-mail he had received yesterday from Senior DMBC Officers wishing to postpone the proposed follow up meeting with DMBC Senior Officers, the Police, Fire Brigade representatives and other stakeholders, scheduled for tomorrow for the reasons set out in the e-mail and in light of not all aspects of the proposed action plan yet being in place thus requiring further work, although it was noted that Inspector Dave Jones would still be attending to update the Town Council on the actions taken by the Police over the last 4 weeks to counter the behaviours experienced and therefore, that Members would be attending to hear that update.

(b) Notification from St Leger Homes re disposal of land at rear of Edlington Community Organisation to the Town Council.

**RESOLVED** to note and accept the offer of transfer of this land at nil consideration from DMBC to the Town Council on the proviso that ETC pick up the legal fees for completing this conveyancing transaction and the Town Council's solicitors be instructed to act on our behalf accordingly.

**2016.171 Planning – To consider any planning application consultations.**

(a) 16/02477/FUL - Erection of ground floor extension to side and rear following demolition of conservatory and detached garage, 11 Kennington Grove, Edlington, DN12 1SX

**RESOLVED** that no objections be raised regarding this proposed development.

(b) 16/02578/OUT - Outline application for the erection of two pairs of semi-detached houses, Land Between 8 And 10 North Street, Edlington, Doncaster, DN12 1EF

**RESOLVED** that no objections be raised regarding this proposed development.

(c) 16/02655/TCON - Notice to fell one North American Locust Tree at centre of Rear garden and one Japanese Flowering Cherry adjacent southern wall boundary and to prune one branch approx. 150mm dia x 9m length on one Sycamore within St Peters Church yard South West corner (all being situated within the Old conservation area), Edlington, The Old Rectory, Rectory Gardens, Old Edlington

**RESOLVED** that no objections be raised regarding this proposal.

**2016.172 Report of the Clerk – To receive updates and consider matters in respect of:**

(a) Burial Ground - Enquiry re part time employment opportunity from Warmsworth Environmental Group & Shaw Trust re local parishioner experienced in volunteering work locally.

**RESOLVED** to accept the offer from Shaw Trust to fund a work placement for a period of up to 14 weeks.

(b) Allotments – Involvement of DMBC Animal Welfare Team, RSPCA & Police re recent animal welfare issues at Group 2/3 allotments

**RESOLVED** to note that an investigation was being conducted by DMBC's Animal Welfare Officer regarding dead animals found at Group 2 allotment site and that further communications and recommendations would follow in due course and that no further action should be taken at this point.

(c) Community Centre - Nothing to report.

(d) Recreation Ground/Miners Memorial Garden – Recreation play area – (i) update on representations to DMBC Community Safety Team re scope for CCTV.

**RESOLVED** to note that to date these representations had met with no response.

(ii) update on Clerk meeting with Sovereign Play Ground Sales Representative on suggested options for bringing back in to use.

**RESOLVED** to note the advice from Sovereign Playgrounds that there were various options for replacement surfacing at the Play area including, matting with grass, wood bark chippings, rubber mulch and wet pour, each of which would involve variable costs for

installation and all of which were susceptible to potential vandalism. The most cost effective solution to the current situation was a straight forward wet pour repair to all surface edgings.

(iii) DMBC Play Inspector additional repair quotation.

**RESOLVED** that approval be given to the wet pour surface edgings renewal in the sum of £1234 and the other incidental repairs, with a view to bringing the play area back in to use at the earliest opportunity and for this to be publicised in the next edition of In-focus magazine.

(e) Neighbourhood Plan Update – i) Approval of the updated draft Plan to go out for community consultation

**RESOLVED** that approval be given to the latest evolving draft Plan for publication on the Town Council website and for general community consultation.

ii) Publicising the draft Plan & a scheduled consultation event in the Grainger Centre – Wednesday 7/12/16 6pm

**RESOLVED** that approval be given to a proposed consultation event with local community groups to be held in the Grainger Centre on 7/12/16 and for publicity in this regard to be put forward in the next (December) edition of the In-focus magazine and at local Edlington establishments.

iii) to consider putting application forward for Cenotaph for Grade II listing status

**RESOLVED** that approval be given for the Town Clerk to progress an application for grade II listed status.

(f) Improvement Projects & Events – i) Final preparations for Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day

**RESOLVED** (1) to note the update by the Clerk of the preparatory meeting that he and Councillor Don Astbury had held with Rob Reid and Fr. Edmonds last week with regard to final arrangements on the day relating to the parade, marching band, sourcing of a bugler and arrangements for locating everyone in position at the Cenotaph (2) in light of a provision of a bugler this year, to note that fireworks were not required to mark the start of the 2 minutes silence and that the playing of “The Last Post” at 90 seconds prior to 11am would lead us straight in to the silence and (3) to note that the Town Mayor had agreed to fund from her Mayoral allowance the purchase of the 2 shields to be awarded upon inspection, to the best dressed Cadet and Cadet force.

ii) Christmas Senior Citizen’s Party/Dinner Thursday 15/12/16

**RESOLVED** to note the preparations that were in hand and that this year, Christmas music would be played via a CD rather than engaging someone to sing. Bingo and the usual hamper prizes were being organised.

iii) Christmas Carol Concert – Tuesday 20/12/16

**RESOLVED** to note that Councillor Georgina Mullis would be liaising with the Co-op Funeral on the prospect of them potentially assisting with the provision of programmes and would be exploring the sourcing of some “glow sticks”.

iv) Gala 24/6/17 – feedback on Gala Working Group meeting 31/10/16

**RESOLVED** to note the update following a meeting held on 31/10/16 in which it was hoped that Mrs D.Tuby would volunteer to take a leading role in preparations for next year’s Gala. The next Working Group meeting would be scheduled for late January.

#### **2016.173 Mayor’s Announcements (if any).**

The Mayor had no announcements to make.

#### **2016.174 Matters requested by Councillors.**

(a) To consider representations to DMBC re former Thompson/Dixon estate development plans

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk be requested to enquire with DMBC via Mayor Ros Jones about an update on the prospects for development taking place on the former Thompson/Dixon estate and the rumours of whether the existing developer was handing the site back in to the stewardship of DMBC.

(b) Litter bins in the village

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk be requested to approach Jayne Rowland-Johnson at DMBC on the possibility of renewed litter bins being placed out at each bus stop in Edlington with some additional bins to be scattered around the village, to address the escalating littering problems being experienced.

### 2016.175 Financial matters

(a) To note & receive schedule of payments made – November 2016

**RESOLVED** to note the following payments made:-

1. Wages			various	7,408.76
2. SYPA			35695001	2,528.14
3. Imprest			105759	300.00
4. 1&1 website hosting Oct				11.99
5. Yorkshire Water - Cemetery charges			35280938	106.13
6. Royal British Legion - Wreaths			105760	120.00
7. Chesterfield Chevrons - Band Remembrance Sun			105758	500.00
8. BT Phone&broadband				59.22
9. Quicksteps - Remembrance Shields			35695345	95.97
10. J.Hepworth - Internal Audit fee			35695412	160.00
11. Farmstar - Rat bait			35695461	63.88
12. Total Gas&Power - Elec Rec				15.85
13. Total Gas&Power - Gas Grainger Centre				524.63

(b) Budgetary control/bank reconciliation as at 31/10/16.

**RESOLVED** to note the budgetary control report and bank reconciliation for the period ending 31/10/16.

(c) Internal Audit of the Council's accounts for the half year to 30/9/16.

**RESOLVED** to note and accept the Internal Auditors report and the arrangements that were being made to open a Fuel card account to minimise reliance on use of petty cash as per her recommendation.

### 2016.176 Correspondence/information items.

**RESOLVED** (1) to note the following items:-.

1	YLCA & DMBC	Council Tax Referendum Technical Consultation
2	YLCA	DCLG Notes on Neighbourhood Planning
3	YLCA	NALC Larger Council's Committee – Elections
4	Army Engagement Group	Invitation to event at New York Stadium 23/11/16
5	South Yorks Police & Crime Commissioner	Assistant PCC Appointment
6	South Yorks Police & Crime Commissioner	PCC meeting with local MP's re Crime Issues
7	South Yorks Police & Crime Commissioner	October Newsletter
8	DMBC	Consultation on introducing a 20 mph speed limit on Tait Ave
9	British Red Cross	Family Reunion Appeal
10	NALC	Changing Places Conference 30/11/16
11	SYFRA	S41 Member briefings October & November 2016
12	Groundwork UK	Tesco Bags of Help Scheme

(2) In relation to item 4, that the Mayor and Consort would be attending the Army Engagement Group invitation at the New York Stadium on 23/11/16.

(3) In relation to item 6, the Police and Crime Commissioner be invited to a meeting with Members of the Town Council to discuss his plans for re-introducing Neighbourhood policing, particularly in the context of the recent level of crime, anti-social behaviour and general criminality being experienced locally on the Royal estate and the limited resourcing that the Police can offer here over a sustained longer term period to deal with all the issues experienced.

(4) In relation to item 8, that the Clerk respond to the consultation supporting the 20mph speed limit proposal on Tait Avenue, but recommending that this be extended to the whole of Tait Avenue and the adjoining streets.

**2016.177 To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting**

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk be notified of any items Members wish to be considered as an item for the next meeting on 13/12/16.

**2016.178 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2016 at 6.30pm.**

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.