

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
14th FEBRUARY, 2017 AT 6.30PM IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, STUBBINS HILL,
EDLINGTON**

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

Also in Attendance: Simon Oldham (Town Clerk) and two members of the public present.

2017.16 To receive and consider apologies for absence.

Councillor Alan Cross.

2017.17 To consider motions for the variation to the order of business (if any).

None.

2017.18 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's code of conduct or Members register of disclosable pecuniary interests.

Councillors Ray and Georgina Mullis declared an interest in relation to agenda item 9.3 "Community Centre - new enquiry re use of Grainger Centre facilities" as Trustees of ECO, although this enquiry from ECO regarding the potential hire of Grainger Centre facilities had now been withdrawn..

2017.19 To identify items for which the press and public may be excluded (if any).

None proposed.

2017.20 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 10th January, 2017 as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a correct record.

2017.21 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).

A local parishioner spoke in relation to the recent planning application approval relating to the proposed development on the site of the former Ridings Care Home site and asked once again why the Town Council's letter supporting his representations that the development should not be so close as to a metre away from and having such a detrimental impact upon his property, had not been phrased using the word "objection". The Mayor outlined that the Town Council had previously responded to him on this point at the December meeting and would not be entering in to any further debate on this matter.

A local parishioner resident on the Royal estate complained about the extent of ongoing crime and ASB being experienced on a daily basis which was being suffered by local residents. He outlined that the village was in uproar at youths riding about on motor cycles, with no helmets, taunting local people and particularly in the mid afternoon when kids were coming out of School. This had been reported to the Police with supporting evidence yet nothing was being done. There was vandalism, windows getting smashed, burglaries and whilst the perpetrators were known, nothing was being done as residents were not prepared to give formal statements and evidence in court for fear of reprisals. The Police were suffering verbal abuse and were just standing there and taking it. This was going on and on and on and he asked what could be done about it.

Members of the Town Council indicated that they had initiated the multi agency Task Group which was established last October involving the Police, Fire, DMBC Senior Officers and other key stakeholders and an action plan with various measures to combat these issues had been produced and was being monitored, although inevitably securing improvements

would inevitably take time. The next meeting was scheduled for 23/3/17. In the meantime, if the Parishioner wished to submit a written account of the activities he had witnessed, to the Clerk, this could be passed directly to Inspector Dave Jones or alternatively his contact details could be supplied in order for the parishioner to lobby him direct.

2017.22 To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary.

a) Notes of meeting with Police and Crime Commissioner 17/1/17.

RESOLVED to note the summary of the meeting held with the PCC on 17/1/17.

b) Feedback on Mayor & Deputy Mayor meeting with School Pyramid Heads 24/1/17.

RESOLVED to note the reporting by the Deputy Mayor of the positive discussions held with the School Heads at their meeting on 24/1/17 which included:-

- Armistice Day event – arrangements to be planned in conjunction with the “Activities Working Group” to enhance next years event and experiences for the School children
- The Miners Annual Memorial Event involving School children to be moved back to September this year
- Agreed for the Town Clerk to keep Heads informed on key information and projects that the Town Council were involved with (key contact points in each School had been provided)
- Community Woodland Project – School kids were keen to become involved and to potentially identify a name for the woodland/country park
- Possibility of posters or a video being produced re a publicity campaign such as littering or other perceived problem subject matters in need of tackling in Edlington
- A awareness and interest in the evolving Neighbourhood Plan that was being prepared.

2017.23 Planning – To consider any planning application consultations.

a) 17/00014/FULM - Erection of units for B1(c), B2 and B8 class use on approx. 0.74ha of land (without compliance of condition No. 02 of planning application 11/03323/FULM granted on 24.05.2012 - to vary approved plans to reduce number of units from 15 to 13 and associated amendments to design and layout of units H and K) - Broomhouse Lane Industrial Estate, Wood View , Edlington

RESOLVED that no objections be raised regarding this proposed development.

b) 17/00214/FUL - Change of use of existing paddock with 5 touring pitches to a maximum 10 pitch touring caravan site including amenity block (11.5m x 6.5m) (without compliance with condition 5 of planning application 11/03438/FUL, granted on 13.02.2012 – to allow for an increase in touring caravans allowed to use the site to a maximum of 20) (Without compliance of conditions 1-3 of application granted under Ref: 16/00867/FUL) - to include siting of warden accommodation and alterations to the approved layout- Sunnyview, Park Grange, Lane, Alverley, Doncaster

RESOLVED that no objections be raised regarding this proposed development.

c) 17/00208/FUL - 1. Extension to existing retail unit 2. Warehouse extension 3. Associated works to car park layout - Former Netto Store, Edlington Lane, Edlington

RESOLVED that no objections be raised regarding this proposed development.

2017.24 Report of the Clerk – To receive updates and consider matters in respect of:

(a) Burial ground - i) Minutes of Cemetery Working Group 30/1/17 and proposed policy on location of benches.

RESOLVED (1) to note the minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting held on 30/1/17; (2) to approve the draft benches policy subject to a sole supplier being used

to source each of either a wooden bench (the Woodberry Teak Bericote range) or a granite bench (via Doncaster Memorials) and on the basis of the remaining terms set out in the draft policy and (3) approval be given to proceed with the quotation from Bentley Fencing for the widening of the access in to the Cemetery building and new car park area which the contractor was laying this week.

ii) Sheffield Diocese approval for an exhumation.

RESOLVED (1) to note the approval of the Diocese for an exhumation at the Cemetery and (2) the applicant be requested to provide written confirmation that they have no further interest in the plot and waive their rights to the Exclusive right of Burial for the unexpired period of the 99 year lease from the date of the exhumation.

(b) Allotments – i) Update on community woodland steering group meeting 31/1/17.

RESOLVED to note the summary notes of the meeting held on 31/1/17 and the follow up meeting scheduled for next Tuesday 21/2/17 to make some substantive decisions on moving the project forward and next phases of the scheme.

ii) Meeting with Allotment Secretaries 8/2/17.

RESOLVED (1) to note the feedback from the Clerk on the meeting held with Allotment Secretaries on 8/2/17 and that each had agreed and signed up to take on the extended delegated powers for greater management responsibility of their respective sites and (2) to agree that each Allotment Secretary or in their absence (their nominee) be co-opted on to the Allotment Working Group to contribute their views regarding the management and development of the sites within the Town Council's ownership.

iii) Anonymous letter re Group 1 Allotment activity.

RESOLVED that (1) the contents of the anonymous letter and unsubstantiated comments be noted and (2) the Clerk write to the plot holder and issue a warning that should any of the alleged activities be substantiated, that this would constitute gross misconduct and result in the immediate termination of the tenancy. In addition, that the Town Council had the ability to carry out spot checks of its allotment gardens at any time.

iv) proposed felling of leaning silver birch tree on Group 4 site.

RESOLVED (1) to note the request for felling of this silver birch tree from the Allotment Secretary and (2) the DMBC Tree Warden be approached and asked to look at the tree and provide his professional advice regarding the merits or otherwise regarding the proposed felling and in the interests of health and safety.

(c) Community Centre - new enquiry re use of Grainger Centre facilities.

RESOLVED to note the enquiry received from ECO re the hiring of the Grainger Centre facilities and their current stance regarding their initial enquiry now having been withdrawn.

(d) Recreation Ground/Miners Memorial Garden - YMHT request to change the plaque on the wheel.

RESOLVED to note and support the request from YMHT to change the plaque on the wheel, to be funded at their own expense.

(g) Neighbourhood Plan Update – End of consultation period & next Steering Group meeting 15/2/16.

RESOLVED to note the summary of the consultation comments received from statutory consultees following the close of the seven week consultation period which ended on 3/2/17, which were to be considered at the NPSG meeting tomorrow.

(h) Improvement Projects & Events - Gala 24/6/17.

RESOLVED to note that a Gala Working Group meeting was to be arranged for early March and a preparatory meeting was being held tomorrow with Debbie Tuby, who it

was hoped would agree to take a lead in coordinating preparations for this years' gala.

- (i) Litter picker/sweeper - End of contract with Shaw Trust 6/3/17 and way forward. **RESOLVED** to note the reporting by the Clerk that the Shaw Trust had agreed to the extension of the current arrangements in funding the placement of Ivor Lewis with the Town Council, which was due to end on 6/3/17 and would now be funded to continue up to 28/5/17.

- (j) Advert for vacancy re co-optee role on the Council and arrangements for interested applicants addressing the next Town Council meeting in March. **RESOLVED** (1) to note the advert placed inviting applications by 28/2/17; (2) to agree that applicants be invited to attend and speak in support of their application for no more than five minutes in duration at the next Town Council meeting; (3) the procedure on co-option as recommended by YLCA be followed and (4) the Clerk be asked to clarify the position regarding appointment should a sole application be received.

2017.25 Mayor's Announcements (if any).

The Mayor announced that she had attended the School Pyramid Heads meeting on 24/1/17 along with the Deputy Mayor, summary feed back of which had been reported earlier in the meeting.

2017.26 Matters requested by Councillors.

a) To establish a meeting of the Activities Working Group.

RESOLVED that the Activities Working Group be convened to consider preparations in due course for this years Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday commemorations and any other ad-hoc events as and when required. The Mayor, Councillor Joan Briggs to be appointed as a replacement member for Don Astbury.

b) Small wooded area off Broomhouse Lane, (The Square).

RESOLVED that in light of representations made to Members of the Council regarding the state of the wooded central area of the Square that had been churned up by residents vehicles being driven on to and parked in this location, that the Clerk be requested to write to St Leger Homes asking what practical measures could be taken in this regard and to enquire about the prospect of the donation of this piece of land to local residents, to self manage.

2017.27 Financial matters

(a) To note & receive schedule of payments made – February 2017.

RESOLVED to note the following payments made:-

1. Wages				various	8,542.14
2. SYPA				37514514	2,873.04
3. 1&1 website hosting Feb					11.99
4. BT - Phone&Broadband					58.68
5. Allstar Fuels				37620355	95.07
6. Total Gas&Power - Gas Grainger					453.37
7. Currys PC World - New IT Kit				37514822	557.97
8. TH White Ltd - Rat bait				37514921	132.00
9. DMBC - Allotment Landscape Masterplan				37515015	1,743.60
10. YPO - Cleaning Supplies				37620576	19.36
11. Custom Clothing - Staff work gear				37636154	777.50
12. Dig it All Agricultural - site clearance allotment				37636193	1,800.00
13. Yorkshire Water - Rec				37708402	1.59
14. Currys PC World - Lap Top Stand with USB Hub				37745992	39.99

(b) Budgetary control/bank reconciliation as at 31/1/17.

RESOLVED (1) to note the budgetary control report and bank reconciliation for the period ending 31/1/17 ; (2) in light of the projected year end underspends in respect of the Allotments and Recreation Ground budget heads, the Clerk be asked to invite each Allotment Secretary to consider applying for funding support and supply proposed costings for any improvement project they would like to be considered for their site, to enable consideration of the award of the limited remaining unspent budget, before the year end to worthy projects, at the next Town Council meeting on 14/3/17, or alternatively for prioritisation for the next or subsequent financial years and (3) an agenda item be scheduled for the next Town Council meeting to consider future Town Council banking arrangements in light of the recent publicity and likely sale/uncertainty regarding the future of the Co-op Bank.

2017.28 Correspondence/information items.

RESOLVED to note the following items:-.

1	DMBC	Booking of Grainger Centre for Election Day 4/5/17
2	DMBC	PCJCC Minutes 9/11/16
3	Legacy Church	Thank you letter re Christmas donation
4	SYFRA	S41 Member briefing January 2017
5	SYPC	Thank you for invitation to meeting held on 17/1/17
6	SYPC	Police budget consultation
7	YLCA	Neighbourhood Planning and other Training
8	YLCA	Auditor appointments for smaller authorities
9	YLCA	South Yorkshire Branch meeting 25/2/17
10	YLCA	White Rose Update January
11	YLCA	NALC DIS and Grants & Funding Bulletins
12	YLCA	Royal Town Institute - Rural Affordable Housing Schemes - Request for Case Study Examples
13	Invitation	Balby Detachment (ACF) Parents and Open Evening 23/2/17
14	Warmsworth & Edlington Spiritualist Centre	Thank you letter re Christmas donation

2017.29 To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting

RESOLVED (1) that the Clerk be notified of any items Members wish to be considered as an item for the next meeting on 14/3/17 and (2) the following items be scheduled:-

- Supporting the Clean-up activities on the Royal estate and potential provision of a skip
- Littering at the rear of Baines Avenue and Thompson Avenue.

2017.30 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 14th March, 2017 at 6.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.38pm.