

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 9th JANUARY, 2018 AT 6.30PM IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, STUBBINS HILL, EDLINGTON

Present: Mayor Frank Arrowsmith and Councillors Keri Anderson, Joan Briggs, Jim Mourning, Maureen Patterson, Linda Smith and Rob Reid.

Also in Attendance: Simon Oldham (Town Clerk) and Inspector Dan Mcknight (South Yorkshire Police). Three members of the public present.

Prior to the formal commencement of the meeting, the Town Council stood to observe 2 minutes silence as a mark of respect following the sad passing of David Booth, one of the Town Council's Cemetery/Grounds Maintenance staff members, over the Christmas period.

2018.01 To receive and consider apologies for absence.

Councillors Alan Cross and Tina Reid.

2018.02 To consider motions for the variation to the order of business (if any).

None.

2018.03 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's code of conduct or Members register of disclosable pecuniary interests.

None.

2018.04 To identify items for which the press and public may be excluded (if any).

None.

2018.05 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 12th December, 2017 as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a correct record.

2018.06 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).

None received.

2018.07 Partner Updates from DMBC Ward Councillor(s) or South Yorkshire Police representative (if present).

Inspector Dan Mcknight (South Yorkshire Police) reported that reported incidences of ASB had fallen by 66% recently, the numbers being 90 in October, 62 in November and 34 in December. Over the last few weeks, there had been no serious offences, although 2 or 3 reports of Cannabis set-ups had been attended and appropriately dealt with. In addition there had been a couple of hate-crimes reported against persons of East European origin. Inspector Mcknight also advised that the first PACT Meeting had been scheduled to be held on 25/1/18 and that the EPIC Team were now operating in the area engaging youths and establishing diversionary activities. The Team had now lost PC Matt Woodhall who was on a 3 month secondment and a replacement PC would be brought in shortly to assist the Police. Now recruit PC Matt Bolton.

2018.08 To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary.

(a) Edlington Swimming Baths – proposed closure.

RESOLVED to note the reporting by the Clerk of the response received today from the Doncaster Culture and Leisure Trust confirming that there were no plans to close the Edlington Swimming Baths in the new financial year and that the financial support from the Local Authority remained at £250000.

(b) Hillside Drive parking restriction – formal objection.

RESOLVED to note the objections to the proposed parking restriction which the Town Council considered did not go far enough and the subsequent response from DMBC inviting the Town Council to withdraw its objection on the grounds set out in its letter.

(c) DMBC Highways reply re Petition request for a Zebra Crossing outside Hilltop Centre.

RESOLVED (1) to note the response to the Town Council's petition declining to agree to install a zebra crossing outside the Hilltop Centre and (2) in light of this, the Clerk be asked to request a site meeting with a Senior Highways Officer to discuss not only this but also some other Highway safety concerns right along Edlington Lane, up past Hillside Drive towards Old Edlington. The rationale for the site meeting request being that over the last 5 years, several incidents/collisions had been witnessed outside the Hilltop Centre which contradicted the report in the response from Highways, that South Yorkshire Police had no concerns regarding road traffic accidents/collisions outside the School with no reported incidences in the last few years. In addition, there were safety concerns relating to the crossing outside of the Asda store and the visibility when coming round the blind bend up Edlington Lane near the Post Office opposite Main Avenue. There were also concerns at the impact of traffic parking around the junction with Hillside Drive at Hilltop School drop off/pick-up times and the safety risks this posed.

2018.09 Planning Application Consultations.

(a) 17/03051/OUTM - Outline application for residential development of up to 14 dwellings following demolition of former supermarket (all matters reserved), Land Off Bungalow Road, Edlington, Doncaster, DN12 1DL.

RESOLVED that no objections be raised regarding this proposed development.

(b) 17/03105/ADV - Display of internally illuminated advertisements, Home Bargains, Edlington Lane, Edlington .

RESOLVED that no objections be raised regarding this proposed development.

2018.10 Report of the Clerk – To receive updates and consider matters in respect of:

(a) Review of Christmas Festivities provided/supported – i) Christmas trees ii) Senior Citizen's Party iii) Carols in the Park Concert

RESOLVED (1) to note the huge success and turnout at the "Carols in the Park" , Christmas Carol concert and (2) a review of the effectiveness of the supply and erection of Christmas trees at establishments up and down Edlington Lane and of the Senior Citizen's Christmas party be undertaken by the Activities Working Group to inform a decision on whether to vary or cease supporting these activities in December 2018.

(b) Determination of the Parish Precept/Budget for 2018/19 including proposed development projects.

RESOLVED (1) to note and support the draft projected income/expenditure estimates for 2018/19 and the current summary of the Council's reserves, prepared by the Clerk; (2) that estimates in respect of the funding of a replacement Audio/PA system £1000, prospective stage/concrete base for the Miners Memorial Garden £400 and provision for meeting the General Data Protection Regulations and sourcing of a Data Protection Officer via a national contributing subscription £500, all to be met from existing reserves and (3) in light of the projected income/expenditure estimates, the Precept be set at £118125 for 2018/19 representing a 2% increase on last year's precept (the budget shortfall of £10233 being met from projected reserves) and a total funding requirement of £133975 (i.e. Precept £118125 plus £15850 Council Tax Support Grant) and the Clerk be requested to notify DMBC Finance Team accordingly.

(c) Burial ground.

RESOLVED to note the reporting by the Clerk that he had requested the provision of a grit bin from DMBC to assist staff at the Cemetery to treat icy paths following the advent of a heavy frost.

(d) Allotments.

RESOLVED to note the reporting by the Clerk that Allotment Secretaries had been notified that the 2018 Allotment rents were due by 1/2/18.

(e) Community Centre.

Nothing to report.

(f) Recreation Ground/Miners Memorial Garden

RESOLVED (1) to note the reporting by the Clerk of last weekends fire damage to the Alien unit safety surfacing and side panel and the DMBC repair quotation and (2) in light of this, a site visit be conducted immediately following the next Town Council meeting on 13/2/18 to view the damage and to consider appropriate options in moving forward.

(g) Improvement Projects & Events –

i) Community Woodland – to comment on a revised draft constitution for the re-vamped Community Steering Group.

RESOLVED to support the updated draft constitution for recommendation and adoption at the Community Woodland Steering Group meeting on 11/1/18.

ii) Edlington Festival 2018 – to determine a proposed date for the Festival and a first meeting of the Organising Committee.

RESOLVED that (1) the Activities Working Group to carry out the role of “Festival Organising Committee” and the next meeting of the Working Group be scheduled for 10am on Wednesday 31/1/18 and (2) the Deputy Mayor to determine a date for the Festival and notify Town Councillors at the earliest opportunity.

(h) Neighbourhood Plan – consideration of draft publicity material for the forthcoming Referendum.

RESOLVED (1) to support the draft publicity material for the Referendum and for its use by individual Town Councillors and (2) to note that the Town Council can only promote/encourage local parishioners to turnout and exercise their vote in the Referendum and cannot lobby for a “Yes” vote.

2018.11 Mayor’s Announcements (if any).

The Mayor announced that following the recent passing of David Booth the Town Council Groundsman, over Christmas, his funeral had now been arranged for Tuesday 23/1/18 at Rosehill Crematorium. The funeral cortege would leave from 4 Broomvale Walk at 8.20am for the funeral at 9am.

2018.12 Matters requested by Councillors.

(a) Scope to consider a bid for acquisition of former Barnburgh House land from St Leger Homes.

RESOLVED that in light of deliberations at the meeting, not to proceed with an enquiry/bid for acquisition at this time.

(b) To request DMBC to arrange trimming of overgrown trees near CCTV camera erections on Martinwells Lane.

RESOLVED that the Clerk be requested to contact DMBC to request the trimming back of these trees which were impeding CCTV camera coverage.

(c) Siting of Grit bins.

RESOLVED that the Clerk be requested to contact DMBC to request an audit of the current grit bin provision in Edlington.

(d) Proposed Edlington Development Hub.

RESOLVED (1) to note the prospect of developing a “Edlington Development Hub” via the creation of a charity or limited company as a vehicle (independent of the Town Council, comprising volunteers) for attracting funding provision for use on a variety of Town Council projects by the Town Council to improve the development prospects for Edlington that the village was currently missing out on and (2) the Deputy Mayor to bring forward a formal written proposal on the mechanics of how this might work, for the Town Council to consider whether to support and develop this concept.

2018.13 Financial matters

(a) To note & receive schedule of payments and receipts.

RESOLVED (1) to note the following January payments made:-

£

1. Wages			various	7,205.50
2. SYPA			44358304	1,963.09
3. Jan HMRC PAYE/NI/Employers NI			44358370	1,966.02
4. 1&1 website hosting - Jan				11.99
5. BT - Phone&Broadband				73.44
6. Allstar Fuels				90.08
7. Coop Bank sweep fee				30.00
8. McAfee - Anti virus 2 year subscription			43956100	89.99
9. Staples - Stationery			43955872	5.99
10. Parish On-line annual subscripion			44052740	283.20
11. Complete Catering			44052874	1,176.00
12. M.Patterson - Carol concert refreshments			44165852	14.25
13. Chubb Fire & Security - Service Grainger			44166043	87.97
14. Chubb Fire & Security - Service Cemetery			44166471	19.20
15. YLCA - Training New Councillor Induction			44166589	90.00
16. YMCC - Refreshments Carols in the Park			44185707	35.00
17. YMCC - Donation re Miners garden lights			44185791	100.00
18. Total Gas&Power - Elec Grainger				489.48
19. Total Gas&Power - Elec Rec				13.62
20. Microsoft Office 365 annual renewal			44423624	59.99
21. DMBC -Trade Waste Grainger			44435232	243.00
22. DMBC - Trade Waste Cemetery			44435291	243.00
23. Yorkshire Water - Cemetery			44465493	48.35
24. Imprest				150.00

(b) to note the following receipts during December :-

£

1. Community Centre				374.00
2. Cemetery Fees				5,310.00
3. Sale Senior Citizen Xmas party tickets				88.00

(c) Budgetary control/bank reconciliation as at 31/12/17.

RESOLVED to note the budgetary control report and bank reconciliation for the period ending 31/12/17.

2018.14 Correspondence/information items.

RESOLVED (1) to note the following items:-

1	DMBC	Tour de Yorkshire 2018
2	DMBC	Public Rights of Way Committee Minutes 7/12/17
3	Hallcross Medical Services	Free Health Checks
4	YLCA	White Rose Update December 2017
5	YLCA	NALC CEO Advice re Referendum Principles
6	YLCA	Bird Flu Campaign - Poster
7	YLCA	GDPR NALC Legal Briefing LO10
8	Warmsworth & Edlington Spiritualist Centre	Letter of Thanks - donation

(2) In respect of item 3, the Clerk to arrange with Hallcross Medical Services for a health clinic to be held in the Grainger Centre and

(3) the Bird Flu campaign poster at item 6 be relayed to each Allotment Secretary with a request that they display it at their site and draw to the attention of their plot holders.

2018.15 To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the following Members items be scheduled for consideration at the next meeting on 13/2/18:-

- Granby Park Play Area – request to DMBC for the tidying of the site.

2018.16 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 13th February, 2018 at 10.00am.

The meeting closed at 8.17pm.