

## HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

MEETING of the TOWN COUNCIL  
held WEDNESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2007

### MINUTES

**PRESENT** Councillors; N Fekri(Chair), J T Allison, J C Beacroft-Mitchell, Mrs Beacroft-Mitchell, S Brown, R Dixon( left after Minute 236 b), M Foster, J Gabbi, C Groves( left after Minute 236 b), L Jones, S Press, S Trickett, E Ward, H Ward and D Young

Also present 1 member of the public

**219. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions from members of the public

**220. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs; **C Bampton Smith**, and **Dr M A Smith**

It was moved by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Mrs Ward and

RESOLVED: to note the apologies

**221. Members' Interests' relating to agenda items for this meeting.**

Cllr Dixon and Cllr Young declared a personal interest in Minute 229, Application for Financial Assistance, only as the applicant was an associate

Cllr Fekri declared a personal interest in Minute 236 h) Planning Application only as a person residing in the vicinity

**222. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE TOWN MAYOR AND THE CLERK**

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| a) YRCC            | Certificate of Membership 2007/08   |
| b) YLCA            | Quality Town Status Certificate   |
| c) CPRE            | Branch Annual Report (West Yorkshire)   |
| d) CPRE            | Fieldwork   |
| e) CPRE            | Christmas Gifts – visit <a href="http://www.cpre.org.uk/shop">www.cpre.org.uk/shop</a>          |
| f) INHOUSE         | Edition 3 – Summer 2007   |
| g) Calderdale MBC  | Draft of Children's Play Strategy – consultation responses requested by 31 <sup>st</sup> August |
| h) The Phone Co-op | Advice of inaccuracy in July bill   |
| i) Margaret Cox    | Appreciation of town improvements   |

**Late Items**

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| k) Big lottery Fund              | The Peoples millions                |
| l) HB & Dist International Group | next Mtg 10 <sup>th</sup> September |

- m) HB NAG Child Protection Issue
- n) YLCA White Rose Update
- o) YLCA Assembly Digest
- p) Calder Civic Trust Criminal damage in Hebden Bridge
- q) Clerks & Councils Direct Issue 53 September 2007
- r) The Clerk Vol 37 No 5 September 2007
- s) Action for Market Towns 07Review – August Issue

In respect of item i)

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Press and

RESOLVED: to write back thanking her for her kind comments

In respect of item b)

It was moved by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Mrs Beacroft-Mitchell and

RESOLVED: to thank the Clerk for the work undertaken in attaining Quality Town Status

In respect of item m)

After discussion

It was moved by Cllr Dixon

Seconded by Cllr Allison and

RESOLVED: ~~to write to Calderdale MBC seeking compliance with the request but remind NAG of their own responsibilities and any suspicious behaviour should be reported to the police~~

In respect of item p)

Note ——— Cllr Allison declared a personal interest in this item only as a Councillor on the Civic Trust

After discussion

It was moved by Cllr Mrs Beacroft-Mitchell

Seconded by Cllr Allison and

RESOLVED: to reply expressing the concern of Council, with copies to WYPA and Cllr Carter, and invite Paul Blakey (Street Angels) to future meeting of the Council

**223. MAYOR'S REPORT/DEPUTY MAYOR'S REPORT**

Cllr Fekri stated that the mosaic at Mytholmroyd Station was well worth viewing

Cllr Press reported that the CAB in Hebden Bridge would be limited to phone contact

**224. MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL held Wednesday 15th AUGUST 2007**

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell and

RESOLVED: to defer consideration of Minutes to last item

- 225. REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES**  
a) Reports from members  
Cllr Mrs Ward Uppr Valley Housing Ctte  
Cllr Mrs Ward Todmorden & Uppr Valley Social Car Service
- b) Vacancies West Yorkshire Pennine Local Access Forum  
It was moved by Cllr Mrs Beacroft-Mitchell  
Seconded by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell and  
RESOLVED: to forward documents to Walkers Action
- 226. ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID**
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|-------------------|------------------------|--------|
| a) Calderdale MBC | Bench repair and reset | £58.75 |
| b) Viking Direct  | Stationery             | £90.32 |
- It was moved by Cllr Young  
Seconded by Cllr Dixon and  
RESOLVED: to pay the accounts
- 227. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT**  
Statement of Account up to 30 August 2007  
It was moved by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell  
Seconded by Cllr Jones and  
RESOLVED: to approve the Statement of Account
- 228. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GRANTS**  
a) Hebden Bridge Light Opera Society  
b) Mytholmroyd Station Partnership  
c) Hebden Bridge Local History Society  
d) The Elmet Trust – report on the Ted Hughes Festival  
It was moved by Cllr Young  
Seconded by Cllr Fekri and  
RESOLVED: to note
- Late Item e) The Bag Ladies – email notifying Council Logo in place on website  
It was moved by Cllr Mrs Beacroft-Mitchell  
Seconded by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell and  
RESOLVED: to release the cheque for purpose of printing leaflets
- 229. APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE COUNCIL**  
TOOMUCHNEVERENOUGH  
Caitlin Shepherd delivered a presentation to members in support of her application and responded to questions  
It was moved by Cllr Press  
Seconded by Cllr Foster and  
RESOLVED: to award £600.00 towards the cost of Fables to Textiles only

- 230. CENTRAL STREET**  
 Report from Project Officer  
 After discussion  
 It was moved by Cllr Dixon  
 Seconded by Cllr Brown and  
 RESOLVED: to hold a Working Party meeting as soon as possible to review newsletter, questionnaire and progress
- 231. COURSES/CONFERENCES**  
 a) NALC - Building the Future of Local Communities – Bournemouth – 5-7<sup>th</sup> October -£379 + accommodation and travel  
 b) The Recycling & Waste Management Exhibition 2007 – NEC Birmingham 11-13<sup>th</sup> September  
 c) CPRE – Sustainability & Survival with the National Trust/Can Farming Survive in the Uplands? – Gibson Mill – 11<sup>th</sup> September  
 It was moved by Cllr Young  
 Seconded by Cllr Jones and  
 RESOLVED: to note
- 232. COMMITTEE CHANGE**  
 After discussion  
 It was moved by Cllr Young  
 Seconded by Cllr Brown to form a committee to consider all Environmental Issues, other than planning, comprising two members per ward  
 i) RESOLVED: the proposition was not approved
- A recorded vote was requested  
 FOR Cllrs; S Brown, R Dixon, M Foster, C Groves, S Press, and D Young  
 AGAINST Cllrs; J C Beacroft-Mitchell, Mrs Beacroft-Mitchell, J Gabbi, L Jones, S Trickett, E Ward, H Ward  
 ABSTENTIONS Cllrs J T Allison,
- It was moved by Cllr Mrs Beacroft-Mitchell  
 Seconded by Cllr Trickett and  
 ii) RESOLVED: to re-examine the powers delegated to committees
- 233. QUALITY TOWN STATUS**  
 After discussion  
 It was moved by Cllr Young  
 Seconded by Cllr Trickett and  
 RESOLVED: to adopt the recommendations 2.1 to 2.4 inclusive but with reference to a, “Hebden Royd Action Plan” and commitment to ascertain examples of ‘best practice’.

- 234. REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING STATIONS**  
 After discussion  
 It was moved by Cllr Brown  
 Seconded by Cllr Fekri and  
**RESOLVED:** to reiterate the position of Hebden Royd Town Council pointing out the increased use of postal voting, the low level of activity at Polling Stations and the absurdity of some electors having to pass one station to reach the one designated to their own ward. To also comment that the time allowed for responses was unrealistic.
- 235. NEW CODE OF CONDUCT – REGISTER OF MEMBERS INTERESTS**  
 Forms, with reference to the new code supplied for completion by Calderdale MBC, were issued to members
- 236. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**
- a) Application 07/01698 (list dated 12.8.07)** for re-roofing, including installation of one new roof light (Listed Building Consent) at 16A MACHPELAH, HEBDEN BRIDGE.  
 It was moved by Cllr Allison  
 Seconded by Cllr Mrs Ward and  
**RESOLVED:** Recommend Approval
- b) Application 07/20136/TPO (list dated 12.8.07)** to fell two trees (Tree Preservation Order) at 12 LONGSTAFF COURT, HEBDEN BRIDGE.  
 It was moved by Mrs Beacroft-Mitchell  
 Seconded by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell and  
**RESOLVED:** Recommend Refusal – opposed in principle to felling of healthy trees. Investigation into alleged unauthorised pruning should be carried out with action if possible
- c) Application 07/20144/TPO (list dated 12.8.07)** to prune one tree (Tree Preservation Order) at ALLOTMENT GARDENS, WINDSOR ROAD, HEBDEN BRIDGE.  
 It was moved by Cllr Allison  
 Seconded by Cllr Press and  
**RESOLVED:** Recommend Approval

**d) Application 07/20141/TPO (list dated 12.8.07)** to fell two trees and prune eleven trees (Tree Preservation Order) at FORMER MYTHOLMROYD HEALTH CENTRE, THRUSH HILL ROAD, MYTHOLMROYD.

It was moved by Cllr Allison

Seconded by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell and

RESOLVED: Recommend Refusal – opposed, in principle, to felling of healthy trees. T6 has 20-40 year projected life according to applicants own report

**e) Application 07/01745 (list dated 26.8.07)** for development of eight town houses at FORMER MYTHOLMROYD HEALTH CENTRE, THRUSH HILL ROAD, MYTHOLMROYD

It was moved by Cllr Ward

Seconded by Cllr Mrs Ward and

RESOLVED: Recommend Refusal – concern re level of on-site parking provision and consequential impact on Rescue Centre

**f) Application 07/01268 (list dated 12.8.07)** for new dwelling (Amended scheme to planning permission 05/00159) at LAND OPPOSITE SANDY ROCKS, KING STREET, HEBDEN BRIDGE.

It was moved by Cllr Press

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: Recommend Approval

**g) Application 07/01534 (list dated 12.8.07)** for demolition of redundant storage buildings in connection with 07/00446 (Conservation Area Consent) at SITE OF BRUNSWICK JOINERY WORKS, MELBOURNE STREET, HEBDEN BRIDGE.

It was moved by Cllr Press

Seconded by Cllr Trickett and

RESOLVED: Recommend Approval

Note

Cllr Fekri declared a personal interest in the next item only as a person residing in the vicinity

**h) Application 07/10078/ADV (list dated 19.8.07)** for two externally illuminated fascia signs, 1 non-illuminated projecting sign and 1 non-illuminated fascia sign (Advertisement Consent) at HEBDEN BRIDGE ANTIQUES, 11 ALBERT STREET, HEBDEN BRIDGE.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Press and

RESOLVED: Recommend Approval

**i) Application 07/10087/ADV (list dated 19.8.07)** for advertising unit built as integral part of a bus shelter (Advertisement Consent) at BUS SHELTER ADJACENT TO 3 BRIDGE END, BURNLEY ROAD, MYTHOLMROYD.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Press and

RESOLVED:

Recommend Refusal – opposed to advertising signs at this location in the Conservation Area

**j) Application 07/01662/LBC (list dated 26.8.07)** for replacement windows and re-open blocked window and door (Listed Building Consent) at UPPER CLOUGH FOOT FARM, CRAGG ROAD, CRAGG VALE.

It was moved by Cllr Jones

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED:

Recommend Approval

**k) Application 07/01801 (list dated 26.8.07)** stable for horses at HILL HOUSE FARM, RAW LANE, WADSWORTH, HEBDEN BRIDGE.

It was moved by Cllr Press

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED:

Recommend Approval

Note

Cllr Trickett declared a personal interest in the next item only as an associate of the applicant

**l) Application 07/01555 (list dated 29.7.07)** for alteration of residential outbuilding to form holiday cottage at RESIDENTIAL OUTBUILDINGS, AT OLD CRAGG HALL, CRAGG VALE.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Press and

RESOLVED:

Recommend Approval

It was moved by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: that the recommendation on the above planning applications are sent to the Environmental Services Department, Calderdale MBC. When the Chair or Deputy Chair cannot attend, Ward members be authorised to represent the view of Hebden Royd Town Council at meetings of the Planning Committee at Calderdale MBC.

- 237. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED BY CALDERDALE MBC**  
The Clerk reported on planning Notices received from the Chief Town Planning Officer **GRANTING PLANNING PERMISSION** to applications previously considered.

It was moved by Cllr Young  
Seconded by Cllr Ward and  
RESOLVED:- to note the information

- 238. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION REFUSED BY CALDERDALE MBC**  
The Clerk reported on planning Notices received from the Chief Town Planning Officer **REFUSING PLANNING PERMISSION** to applications previously considered.

It was moved by Cllr Young  
Seconded by Cllr Ward and  
RESOLVED:- to note the information

- 239. MOTION TO EXCLUDE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

It was moved by Cllr Fekri  
Seconded by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell and  
RESOLVED: “That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw for the reason specified in item 5 of standing order 38.”

- 240. MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL held Wednesday 15th AUGUST 2007**

The Clerk reported on developments in relation to Minute 218

It was moved by Cllr Fekri  
Seconded by Cllr Press and  
RESOLVED: to readmit the public and press

The Mayor announced, in relation to Minute 199 e), that the Civic Celebration Procession would take place and that there would be a police presence.

Meeting closed at 9:45 pm