

HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

MEETING of the TOWN COUNCIL (Finance & General Purposes) held WEDNESDAY 17th JANUARY 2007

MINUTES

PRESENT Councillors; M Elder(Chair), J T Allison, Mrs C I Bampton Smith, Beacroft-Mitchell, S Brown, P Coles, R Dixon, N Fekri, G Gabbi, P Monahan, Mrs M L Murty, S Press (arrived during minute 400 b), Dr M Smith, E Ward(arrived during minute 405) and D K Young

Also present 5 members of the public and 1 from the press

391. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

It was moved by Cllr Elder

Seconded by Cllr Fekri and

RESOLVED: to note that there were no questions from the public

392. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs; Mrs Beacroft-Mitchell, J Frederiksen and for lateness from Cllrs; S Press and Mrs Ward, attending working party meeting

393. Members' Interests' relating to agenda items for this meeting.

Cllr Mrs Murty declared a prejudicial interest in Item 12 b) only

394. REARRANGEMENT OF AGENDA

It was moved by Cllr Elder

Seconded by Cllr Fekri and

RESOLVED: to consider request from Hebden Bridge & District International Group under Item 9 next

395. HEBDEN BRIDGE & DISTRICT INTERNATIONAL GROUP

David Parry, Chair of Hebden Bridge & District International Group, presented a framed photograph of the Old Bridge in Hebden Bridge taken by John Lemon and signed by all present at the reception on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of twinning with St Pol sur Ternoise.

Cllr Elder accepted the picture with thanks on behalf of Hebden Royd Town Council

396. TO RECEIVE ANY COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE TOWN MAYOR AND THE CLERK

- a) The Clerk Vol 36 No 6 November 2006
- b) Action for Market Towns Overview Issue 2
- c) Action for Market Towns email bulletin
- d) WY Police Authority email bulletin
- e) Hour Car car share scheme
- f) Cllr M Taylor copy email to Paul Sheehan re finances of Todmorden Social Car Service
- g) YLCA The Lyons Inquiry
- h) Jim & Jane Brieley Access from abroad to HB Health Centre
- i) WY Police Dates of Ward Meetings and Surgeries
- j) Clerks & Councils Direct Issue 49 January 2007
- k) WY Metro Rural Roadshow Project – questionnaire
“provision of key services to rural areas
- l) ? Fire Risk Assessment
- m) The Clerk Vol 37 No 1 January 2007

It was moved by Cllr Young
Seconded by Cllr Fekri and
RESOLVED: to ask the Clerk to complete Item k) and note the remaining items

397. MAYOR’S REPORT/DEPUTY MAYOR’S REPORT

It was moved by Cllr Elder
Seconded by Cllr Young and
RESOLVED: to note

398. MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL held 10th January 2007

It was moved by Cllr Young
Seconded by Cllr Fekri and
RESOLVED: to defer consideration of the minutes to the next meeting

399. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GRANTS

The World on Your Doorstep Music/Arts Festival
It was moved by Cllr Elder
Seconded by Cllr Young and
RESOLVED: to note

400. APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE COUNCIL

Note
Cllr Mrs Bampton Smith declared a prejudicial interest in the next item only and withdrew from the Chamber
a) Kerbside(Calderdale) Ltd
Paul Brannigan spoke in support of the application
After discussion
It was moved by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Young and
RESOLVED: this Council is of the opinion, that under the provision of
Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, that to award
£1269.00 towards the cost of Mobile Phone Recycling to be paid when the
other half of the required funding had been secured, is of benefit to the
community commensurate with the expenditure

Note Cllr Mrs Bampton Smith returned to the Chamber

Note Cllrs; Allison and Beacroft-Mitchell declared a prejudicial interest in the next
item only and withdrew from the Chamber

b) Roof Over Youth Development £10,000.00

Lorraine Daber spoke in support of the application

After discussion

It was moved by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Monahan to award £3000 towards the cost of Renovation of
Youth Wing of Mytholmroyd Community Centre

It was moved as an amendment by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Brown to award £5000 towards the cost of Renovation of
Youth Wing of Mytholmroyd Community Centre

The amendment was approved

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Brown and

RESOLVED: to award £5000 towards the cost of Renovation of Youth Wing
of Mytholmroyd Community Centre

Cllrs; Allison and Beacroft-Mitchell returned to the Chamber

c) The Rotary Club of Hebden Bridge

Peter Layfield spoke in support of the application

It was moved by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: to award £500 towards the cost of producing the Vintage
Weekend in 2007

d) Wild Rose Heritage & Arts

Tony Wright spoke in support of the application

After discussion

It was moved by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Mrs Murty to award £2500 towards the cost of Making Oral
History Accessible

It was moved as an amendment by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Press to award £3600 towards the cost of Making Oral
History Accessible

The amendment was not approved

A recorded vote was requested

FOR Cllrs; Allison, Brown, Dixon, Press and Young

AGAINST Cllrs; Mrs Bampton Smith, Beacroft-Mitchell, Coles,
 Gabbi, Monahan, Mrs Murty
 ABSTENTIONS Cllrs Dr Smith

It was moved by Cllr Fekri
 Seconded by Cllr Mrs Murty and
 RESOLVED: to award £2500 towards the cost of Making Oral History
 Accessible

401. REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

It was moved by Cllr Fekri
 Seconded by Cllr Young and
 RESOLVED: to examine the role of councillors on outside bodies at a future
 meeting

Cllr Brown	Todmorden Social Car Service
Cllr Brown	Ground Floor Project

It was moved by Cllr Elder
 Seconded by Cllr Young and
 RESOLVED: to note the reports

402. APPROVAL OF CHEQUES ISSUED BY THE CLERK

a) Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation	Stationery	£19.74
b) The Post Office	Stamps	£100.00
c) Beardsworths Ltd	Bulbs	£124.55
d) Cotterills	Stationery	£9.69
e) British Telecommunications plc	CCTV Line Rental	£6,877.28
f) npower	CCTV camera energy supply	£134.91
g) Viking Direct	Stationery/office Equipment	£50.41
h) The Phone Co-op	Broadband provision	£25.42
i) dabs.com	Antivirus software	£61.72
j) Lambert Print & Design	Town Talk	£112.00
k) Calder Future	Woodland bulbs	£135.00

It was moved by Cllr Young
 Seconded by Cllr Mrs Bampton Smith and
 RESOLVED: to approve the issue of cheques

403. ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID

a) The Society of Local Council Clerks	Subscription	£150.00
b) Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation	Stationery	£15.49
c) CPRE	Subscription	£27.00
d) BT	Direct Line	£55.89
e) Mesh Computers	Computer & software	£802.15
f) Lumalite Ltd	Tree lighting	£2,079.00

It was moved by Cllr Young
 Seconded by Cllr Elder and
 RESOLVED: to pay the accounts

- 404. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT**
 It was moved by Cllr Young
 Seconded by Cllr Elder and
 RESOLVED: to accept the Statement of Account
- 405. PRECEPT 2007/08**
 After discussion
 It was moved by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell
 Seconded by Cllr Fekri and
 RESOLVED: to consider setting the Precept only at this meeting
- A recorded vote was requested
 FOR Cllrs; Mrs Bampton Smith, Beacroft-Mitchell, Coles, Fekri,
 Gabbi, Monahan, Mrs Murty and Dr Smith
 AGAINST Cllrs; Brown, Dixon, Press and Young
 ABSTENTIONS Cllr Allison
- After discussion
 It was moved by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell
 Seconded by Cllr Fekri that the Precept be set at £167,649
- It was moved as an amendment by Cllr Young
 Seconded by Cllr Press that the Precept be set at £201,480.94
- The amendment was not approved
- A recorded vote was requested
 FOR Cllrs; Brown, Dixon, Press and Young
 AGAINST Cllrs; Mrs Bampton Smith, Beacroft-Mitchell, Coles, Fekri,
 Gabbi, Monahan, Mrs Murty and Dr Smith
 ABSTENTIONS Cllr Allison
- It was moved by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell
 Seconded by Cllr Fekri and
 RESOLVED: that the Precept be set at £167,649
- A recorded vote was requested
 FOR Cllrs; Mrs Bampton Smith, Beacroft-Mitchell, Coles, Fekri,
 Gabbi, Monahan, Mrs Murty and Dr Smith
 AGAINST Cllrs; Brown, Dixon, Press and Young
 ABSTENTIONS Cllr Allison
- 406. QUALITY PARISH STATUS**
 The Clerk reported that the publication of a further edition of Town Talk
 should complete the requirements of the submission to defra
 It was moved by Cllr Fekri
 Seconded by Cllr Elder and
 RESOLVED: to note
- 407. CLOSURE OF POST OFFICES**
 After discussion
 It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Brown and

RESOLVED: to invite someone responsible for rural Post Offices and a representative from Midgeley Post Office, as an example of good practice, to attend a future meeting

408.

WEBSITE

The Clerk reported on the current state of Council's web site.

After discussion

It was moved by Cllr Elder

Seconded by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell and

RESOLVED: to set the website to receive emails direct to councillors own mailboxes

409.

COURSES/CONFERENCES

a) NALC Strengthening Places, Broadening Choices: Shaping Communities

b) Parish Government Conference, Broadening the "Horizons of Your Community"

It was moved by Cllr Mrs Bampton Smith

Seconded by Cllr Fekri and

RESOLVED: to provide for attendance of two councillors and the Clerk, interest to be expressed to the Clerk by 15th February 2007

c) Bradford MBC – Civic Heads Training Seminar

It was moved by Cllr Fekri

Seconded by Cllr Dixon and

RESOLVED: to provide for Cllr Elder to attend

d) Development Trusts Association – Negotiating with the Third Sector

410.

TOWN TALK

Publication January 2007 – submission deadline for articles 19th January

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Mrs Bampton Smith and

RESOLVED: to note

411.

COUNCIL OFFICE BUILDING

Ward Cllr Janet Battye referred to the report that had been considered at the working party meeting held this evening which had also been supplied to members

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Fekri and

RESOLVED: to accept the report with thanks to the Project Officer and adopt recommendations 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3

412.

STANDING ORDER 65

The Clerk explained that the purpose of the Standing Order was to remind members of the need to budget

After discussion

Members agreed that the receipt of the precept letter from Calderdale MBC was sufficient reminder of the need to consider the financial requirements of the next Council year.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Allison and

RESOLVED: that Standing Order 65 be revoked

Meeting closed at 9:20 pm