

HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the ENVIRONMENTAL RENAISSANCE/PARKS & PATHS COMMITTEE held WEDNESDAY 15th JULY 2009

MINUTES

PRESENT: Cllrs; Beacroft-Mitchell (Chair up to end of Minute 127), R Dixon, J Allison, C Groves (left meeting during Minute 131), L Jones, J Oosthuysen, C Sawyer, J Smith, S Trickett and D Young (Chair from end of Minute 127).

Also Present Jason Boom

127. ELECTION OF CHAIR

It was moved by Cllr Dixon

Seconded by Cllr Oosthuysen that Cllr Young be Chair of the Environmental Renaissance/Parks & Paths Committee for 2009/10

It was moved by Cllr Smith

Seconded by Cllr Trickett that Cllr Jones be Chair of the Environmental Renaissance/Parks & Paths Committee for 2009/10

In a ballot it was

RESOLVED: that Councillor Young be Chair of Environmental Renaissance/Park & Paths Committee for 2009/10

Councillor Young welcomed all members commenting on full attendance.

128. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR

It was moved by Cllr Groves

Seconded by Cllr Smith and

RESOLVED: that Cllr Jones be Deputy Chair of Environmental Renaissance/Parks & Paths Committee for 2009/10

129. Apologies for Absence and any substitutions

Apologies were received from Martyn Summerscales – CMBC

130. Members` Interests relating to agenda items for this meeting

There were no interests declared at this point

131. Matters arising from Minutes of Meeting held Monday 23rd March 2009 not itemised on this Agenda

In respect of Minute 605e) it was agreed to return £1,000 from Bridge 500 Anniversary Cttee budget for Tree Works to Environmental Renaissance

Minute 605a) Kidsfest 09. Thanks were given to Jason Boom for his work

Due to illness, Councillor Groves, assisted by Councillor Dixon left the meeting.

Jason Boom, the Environmental Community Warden informed members Minute 600 that 2 litter/dog waste bins had gone in to Cragg Vale; Minute 602g) that grit piles had been removed from all A1 Class gritted roads and gritting would extend to footpaths. Grit Bins had already been purchased for Calder Holmes Park.

Councillor Smith requested an extra bin on County Bridge, Mytholmroyd.

Councillor Dixon returned to the meeting.

The Warden read the letter received from Calderdale Council, re Winter Service Review, referred from Council 10th June to Committee (Minute 49).

It was agreed that Jason Boom, after emailing all Cllrs for their input, then feed back the points which Council would like to raise with Calderdale Council as soon as possible.

Minute 605b) 'Schools planting of spuds' had already taken place. Plants were issued instead as additional seasonal planting.

132. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Environmental Community Warden presented an account on the financial situation and reported that £11,680 was available for distribution in 2009/10.

It was agreed that Jason Boom, if unable to track down the Gorilla, has it replaced at a cost of £200.

133. PROJECT UPDATE

a) Hanging Baskets – Now complete. Some weeding to take place. All but two of last year's accounts had been received.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Dixon and with agreement of Committee to thank Jason on all the work done, the baskets are a great success, very good if not better than previous year.

b) Lamp post painting - The lamp post painting is still ongoing. Jason to investigate the possibility of diverting monies to continue programme to match street scene in Old Gate.

c) Japanese Knotweed - The first phase on work had been done.

Regarding the visit from Wirksworth Town Council, Cllr Smith would like to see a list of the work Council has done and taken lead on, displayed on the display board.

d) Street Cleansing Operative – Praise was given on the work of the street cleansing operative. His good work was very noticeable. Jason Boom informed members that he was covering over the weekend. The area at the top of Fairfield steps leading from the canal was mentioned by Cllr Jones. Mr Boom would investigate the area.

e) Calder Holmes & Hebden Water Tree Works - The work at the rear of the Memorial Gardens had been completed by Calderdale and British Waterways had completed work around the service station. Additional surveys had revealed more work to be done by the Skateboard Park.

Councillor Allison informed members of the linear Walk on September 6th at 3.00pm.

f) Calder Holmes Park mosaic – Members were informed that the damage of the Mosaic was caused by water. It was moved by Cllr Young. Seconded by Cllr Jones and RESOLVED: that Jason Boom finds quotes to repair or replace Mosaic and further investigates a joint project between British Waterways and Calderdale Council to improve bridge over canal.

g) Sand and water Play, Calder Holmes Park - Cover price. It was agreed that Jason Boom contact Calderdale Council and work with them to ensure the Sand and Water Play is open as soon as possible.

134. PUBLIC OPEN SPACES PROJECT 09/10

Councillor Trickett pointed out the need of a Shelter in Cragg Vale. Jason Boom to contact Cragg Vale Community Association. It was agreed that Jason Boom make inquires regarding the Spa at Cragg Vale.

It was agreed to contact British Waterways with a view to place a Interpretation Board at the lower area of part of the park to link up tow path, linking up the Calder Valley. History of Brearley to be included with points of interest.

After discussion - re materials it was agreed

To repair fully the shelter at Brearley at a total cost of £6,500.00 –
HRTC £3,000

match funded from CMBC £3,500

To repair Shelter at Clegg Nook, Mytholmroyd at a total cost of £2,000.00 –
HRTC £1,000

match funded from £1,000 CMBC

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NEW PROJECTS

- a) Countryside Projects
 - i. Benches at Scout Road (**Cragg Vale Ward - £257**)
 - ii. Heights Road (**White Lee Ward - £257**)
 - iii. Pond repairs at Brearley Hall (**Cragg Vale Ward - £400**)
It was agreed to defer until next meeting. Mr Boom to make inquires of ownership.
 - iv. Horse Fountain repairs (**Cragg Vale Ward - £250**)
 - v. Fencing repairs at Fallingroyd (**Caldene Ward -£500**) along with strimming where necessary.

Councillor Smith proposed that a list of completed projects be compiled to distribute/advertise.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Jones and

RESOLVED:- that all the above be recommended to Full Council.

- b) Clearance of land adjacent to Station Road Car Park (Fairfield - £400).

It was agreed to clear the land when undergrowth has died back.

Meeting closed 8.37pm

HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the ENVIRONMENTAL RENAISSANCE/PARKS & PATHS COMMITTEE held WEDNESDAY 30th SEPTEMBER 2009

MINUTES

PRESENT: Cllrs; D Young (Chair) , Beacroft-Mitchell, C Davenport (arrived during Minute 260), R Dixon, C Groves, L Jones and J Oosthuysen (arrived at Minute 262).

Also Present **Jason Boom**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

257. Apologies for Absence
Apologies for absence were received from **S Trickett and Martyn Summerscales**

258. Members' Interests' relating to agenda items for this meeting.
None declared at this point

259. Matters arising from Minutes of Meeting held Monday 15th July 2009 not itemised on this Agenda

Minute 133b) – in the continuation to improve street scene ie lamp post painting along Old Gate and the obvious link to 500th Anniversary, monies to be diverted from Bridge 500th Anniversary Budget.

Minute 133d) - It was agreed that a recommendation be made to Staffing Committee to consider the post of Street Cleansing Operative 2010/2011.

In answer to Cllr Jones question whether or not the Gorilla had been tracked down, Jason informed members that it had not and to replace would cost more than budgeted for.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell and

RESOLVED:- that the £200 allocated to replace Gorilla at Hawsclough be returned to budget.

260. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Environmental Community Warden gave a upto date report on the financial situation and reported that £131 remained in the Communal budget. Concerning VAT it was agreed to ask the Clerk whether or not VAT will be included in the Environmental Renaissance Budget.

It was reported that the hanging baskets had come down the previous day. It was agreed that this year's baskets purchased from Kitsons, had been better than the previous year. It was also agreed that the watering of the baskets, by D A & F R Gibbon had been commendable.

261. 2010/2011 BUDGET

It was agreed that the allocation of £2,000 to each ward had been very useful.

After discussion

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Groves and

RESOLVED: to set the Environmental Renaissance budget at £25,000 for 2010/2011, allocating £2,000 to each ward with £13,000 to communal budget.

262. PUBLIC OPEN SPACES PROJECT 09/10

The Environmental Community Warden informed the meeting that all projects had been completed. However, there were still plaques, dating improvements done by whom, to be placed at the shelters. Both Brearley and Clegg Nook being in Cragg Vale Ward.

It was moved by Cllr Groves

Seconded by Cllr Davenport and

RESOLVED:- that the overspend on the shelters at Brearley and Clegg Nook be taken from Cragg Vale Public Open Spaces budget.

263. FRIENDS OF CALDER HOLMES PARK ACTION PLAN

It was noted that Adult Play equipment had not been included on the Action Plan.

It was agreed to write to Andy Wood to thank him for producing the Action plan paper with the assurance of it being the basis of Council's point of reference.

CALDERDALE CANAL CONNECTIONS

Jason reported on the groups actions, aims and recent successes and of his attendance to meetings. A grant of £43,000 had be given by Pennine Leader to help this innovative.

Cllr Groves asked if the group could reciprocate by helping to remove Himalayan balsam. Members favoured groups working together.

264. NEW PROJECTS

a) Cragg Vale Spa – Improved Access and Tree works (£1000)

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Dixon and

RESOLVED:- to approve £1000 from Cragg Vale Budget for improved access and tree works round area of Cragg Vale spar

b) Midgley Road Plot – Materials (£200)

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Groves and

RESOLVED:- to approve £200 towards materials

c) Banksfield Estate Entrance – Materials (£150)

It was moved by Cllr Groves

Seconded by Cllr Beacroft-Mitchell and

RESOLVED:- approve £150 costs of materials

- d) Water Play Drainage, Calder Holmes Park – Works (£240)
It was moved by Cllr Jones
Seconded by Cllr Young and
RESOLVED:-to proceed with the work at a cost of £240.00
- e) Calder Holmes Park Mosaic – Works to prevent damp (£950)
It was moved by Cllr Jones
Seconded by Cllr Young and
RESOLVED:- that the proofing course work at a cost of £950 be approved.
- f) Bulb Planting 2009 – (£2017)
It was moved by Cllr Groves
Seconded by Cllr Dixon and
RESOLVED:- to approve the bulb planting at a cost of £2,017. Equal costs to be taken from ward budgets as planting is in all ward areas.
- g) New Road Memorial Garden – works to paths, rebuilding of memorial flower beds, seating areas and a new memorial stone (£2500)

The Environmental Community Warden outlined the scheme in the Memorial garden at a cost of £6,500.00.

Cllr Dixon pointed out that the Memorial Garden was a unique part of Hebden Bridge and involved the whole of Hebden Royd.

It was moved by Cllr Dixon

Seconded by Cllr Groves and

RESOLVED:- to ask Council that the outstanding balance of £2,500 be taken out of Reserves budget.

- h) Autumn Clean Up – to undertake as part of ‘Not in my Neighbourhood’ week. Providing 5 skips in Hebden Royd and arrange a clean up along the Rochdale Canal (£600).
It was moved by Cllr Young
Seconded by Cllr Groves and
RESOLVED:-to join Calderdale MBC the first week in November in their Clean Up ‘Not in my Neighbourhood’ scheme - to provide 5 skips in the Hebden Royd area and to arrange a clean up along the Rochdale Canal at a cost of £600.

Cllr Jones asked that we bear in mind that Ragwort is equally as dangerous.

It was moved by Cllr Groves

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED:- that the Acting Clerk/Environmental Warden present to the next meeting a list of the committee’s year’s core commitment details, eg Clean Up, to aid the committee to set the budget for the year 2010/2011.

Meeting Closed at 8.27pm

Caldene Ward	£1,000.00
Cragg Vale Ward	£1,000.00
Fairfield Ward	£1,000.00
West End Ward	£1,000.00
White Lee Ward	£1,000.00
Spring Clean	£3,200.00
Autumn Clean	£ 600.00
Hanging Baskets	£6,000.00
Bulb planting	<u>£2,000.00</u>
Total	£25,000.00

343.

PUBLIC OPEN SPACE PROJECT 2010/11

After discussion

It was moved by Cllr Oosthuysen

Seconded by Cllr Dixon and

RESOLVED:- to recommend that £10,000 be set aside for crocus project.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm

HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the ENVIRONMENTAL RENAISSANCE/PARKS & PATHS COMMITTEE held WEDNESDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2010

MINUTES

PRESENT: Cllrs; D Young (Chair) , Beacroft-Mitchell, C Davenport, R Dixon and L Jones.

Also Present **Jason Boom**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

460. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from **S Trickett, C Groves and Martyn Summerscales**

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

None declared at this moment.

462. Matters arising from Minutes of Meeting held Wednesday 30th Sept 2009 not itemised on this agenda

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Dixon and

RESOLVED: to ensure Cllr Sawyer is removed from the circulation list for this committee.

463. FINANCIAL REPORT

Discussion relating to accuracy of accounting of Ward Budget. Committed funds for each ward should be listed for accuracy, it was noted that the decisions made on 30th September 2009 had not been allocated to wards.

464. PROJECT UPDATE

The Neighbourhood Manager updated members on all projects with committed funds. All were underway and progressing.

465. NEW PROJECTS

a) Spring Clean 2010 – discussion followed regarding locations of clean ups and requests were made for additional skips at Nest Estate, Mytholmroyd and Fairfield, Hebden Bridge.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Beacroft Mitchell and

RESOLVED: to allocate £2500 to the annual Spring Clean.

b) Kidfest 2010 – options were discussed regarding the location for this event following its recent cancellation at St Michaels, Mytholmroyd. The Neighbourhood Manager is to seek the best option.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Beacroft Mitchell and

RESOLVED: to allocate £900 towards the cost of Kidfest 2010.

c) Japanese Knotweed Control

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Davenport and

RESOLVED: to allocate £1000 towards this continuing programme.

d) Mytholmroyd Memorial Gardens, Revenue Costs

Following a lengthy discussion regarding revenue costs

It was moved by Cllr Jones

Seconded by Cllr Dixon and

RESOLVED: that HRTC would cover these costs of £350 per annum for the next five years. Year one to come from Global Environmental Renaissance with the matter being passed to Strategy & Review to consider the long term implications of revenue costs.

e) Rochdale Canal Clean Up

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Jones and

RESOLVED: that all members of the Environmental Renaissance Committee be invited to take part in this event with the Neighbourhood Manager to organize.

f) Former Play Area, Nest Estate

Following discussion

It was moved by Cllr Beacroft Mitchell

Seconded by Cllr Davenport and

RESOLVED:- that the Neighbourhood Manager arrange a site visit with PH2K to consider proposals and report to the next Environmental Renaissance meeting.

466. BUDGET 2010/2011

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Jones and

RESOLVED: that the allocation of funds in the proposed budget submitted to Strategy & Review and passed by Full Council was accurate.

467. LATE ITEM.

The recent cold weather had led to increased requests from residents regarding increasing our winter service arrangements. Following discussion and a reminder that HRTC has manpower, equipment and revenue issues

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Dixon and

RESOLVED: that each approach should be judged on its own merits and HRTC should continue to work with CMBC to encourage a better service for the residents of Hebden Royd.

Meeting Closed at 8.37pm

HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the ENVIRONMENTAL RENAISSANCE/PARKS & PATHS COMMITTEE held TUESDAY 8th MARCH 2010

MINUTES

PRESENT: Cllrs; D Young (Chair), R Dixon, L Jones and C Davenport.

Also Present: Jason Boom, Neighbourhood Manager

- 533. Apologies for Absence and any substitutions**
Apologies for absence were received from Cllr C Groves.
- 534. Members' Interests' relating to agenda items for this meeting.**
None declared at this point
- 535. Matters arising from Minutes of Meeting held Wednesday 3rd February 2010**
The inclusion of projects into committed funds in the wards budgets was discussed. It was noted that they would be reset at the start of the next financial year.
- 536. FINANCIAL REPORT**
The Neighbourhood Manager presented the financial report with a £2.8k overspend in global projects and £6.3k still available in ward budgets.
- 537. PROJECT UPDATE**
The Neighbourhood Manager advised members of completed and ongoing projects.
- 538. NEW PROJECTS**
a) Hebden Royd Town Council Street Cleaner.
After discussion
It was moved by Cllr Young
Seconded by Cllr Dixon and
RESOLVED: to advertise the post as soon as possible to start in early May 2010 with costs (£2k) to come from Environmental Renaissance global budget for 2010/11 with a recommendation that this post to be funded in future years by the salaries budget.
- b) New Road Memorial Garden
After discussion
It was moved by Cllr Davenport
Seconded by Cllr Jones and
RESOLVED: to provide £3.5k to complete the upgrading of pathways and provision of seat bays, this to be taken equally from the ward budgets as this public space benefits the majority of residents in Hebden Royd.

539.

DOG FOULING

After discussion

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Jones and

RESOLVED: to approach CMBC with a view to adding dual use bins at Stubbing Wharf and Station Road.

540.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

12th May 2010 at 7.30 in the Committee Room, Council Offices, Hebden Bridge.

Meeting closed at 8.12pm