

CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the 413th meeting of COUNCIL held in The Council Office, 44 Old Street, Clevedon at 7.30pm on Wednesday 24th February 2010

PRESENT: Cllr J Middleton – Chairman
 Councillors C. Arnold, C. Blades, J Dagnall, C. Francis-Pester, B. Garner, C. Hall, Mrs. L. Knott, Mrs. L. Little, P. McNeill, T. Morgan, N. Pennycott, G. Watkins, Mrs C. Wring
 Town Clerk - Ms P Heath; Committee Clerk – Mrs I Johnson.

7.30pm INFORMAL BUSINESS

PRAYERS were said by Major William Slade of the Salvation Army

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Cllr Morgan reported on an email he had received complaining about various problems in Clevedon including litter, dog mess and potholes. Cllr Morgan challenged the Director of Parks and Open Spaces to spend time in Clevedon seeing the problems first hand.

2. NORTH SOMERSET'S LIAISON OFFICER - Mrs Thompson had sent her apologies

FORMAL BUSINESS

10/1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Cotton (other commitments),

RESOLVED: Council **ACCEPTS** the reason given for absence.

Apologies for Cllr P Gannicliff were presented by Cllr Dagnall, Apologies for Cllr Norton-Sealey were presented by Cllr Middleton, and Apologies for Cllr D. Shopland were presented by Cllr Garner.

10/2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest for items on the agenda given at the start of the meeting.

10/3 THE MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 21st December 2009 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

10/4 THE MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Special Town Council meeting held on 25th January 2010 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

10/5 THE MINUTES OF PRECEPT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Precept meeting held on 25th January 2010 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

10/6 THE CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

There were no Chairman's items for information

10/7 THE TOWN CLERKS REPORT AS PER THE ATTACHED LIST

7.1 Newsletter and reports –

The following newsletters and reports have been received and are available from the office

SLCC – The Clerk – Issue December 2009

ALCA- newsletters issues Jan Feb

7.2 DIS – copies of which were emailed to Councillors – hard copy attached for those Councillors without email addresses.

Issue No 725,726.

7.3 NALC Briefing Notes – Copies available from the office

E01-10 Employment briefing – Local Government Pay 2010/2011

10/8 TO RECEIVE AND RATIFY MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8.1 ENVIRONMENT & PROPERTY – 16TH DECEMBER 2009

Minutes of the Environment & Property Committee meeting held on 16.12.09 were presented to the meeting and **AGREED**. There being no Part 1 items the Vice Committee Chairman invited questions or comments on Part 2 items

09/75 – concern was raised at the length of time it was taking to get the Barn Lease finalised; the delay had been raised with the Acting Solicitor at NSC.

8.2 PLANNING – 11TH JANUARY 2010

Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 11.01.10 were presented to the meeting and **AGREED**. There being no Part 1 items the Committee Chairman invited questions or comments on Part 2 items; there were none

8.3 FINANCE AND GENERAL POLICY – 13TH JANUARY 2010

Minutes of the Finance & General Policy Committee meeting held on 13.01.10 were presented to the meeting and **AGREED**.

Part 1 items

FGP 10/05 COMMITTEE BUDGET REQUESTS..

*The following budget totals from the report are **RECOMMENDED** to the Council.*

Finance & General Policy	£118,800.00
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Allotments	£6,250.00
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Town Events & Amenities	£21,200.00
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Environment & Property	£22,500.00
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Transport & Highways	£24,500.00
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Trust underwriting	£15,550.00
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Ear marked reserves at	£100,480.31
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*Proposed by Cllr Francis-Pester, seconded by Cllr Morgan and **RECOMMENDED**: that the Council sets a precept of £165,000.00 with £48,800.00 being taken from reserves.*

The above recommendation had been **AGREED** at the Precept Meeting on 25th January 2010

FGP 10/06 GRANT FUNDING CLEVEDON YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE

*Copies of the audited accounts and grant request had been circulated with the agenda. It was proposed and agreed to **RECOMMEND** a grant of £10,000 for the Youth and Community Centre known as "The Barn".*

AGREED

FGP 10/07 EXTEND THE PERIOD OF AUTHORISED ABSENCE FOR CLLR GANNICLIFT IN LINE WITH LGA 1972 S85 (3)

*It was proposed and agreed to **RECOMMEND** that Cllr Ganniclift be given an extension of absence due to health reasons.*

AGREED

The Committee Chairman invited questions or comments on Part 2 items; there were none

8.4 TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE – 20TH JANUARY 2010

Minutes of the Transport & Highways Committee meeting held on 25.11.09 were presented to the meeting and **AGREED**. There being no Part 1 items the Committee Chairman invited questions or comments on Part 2 items;

TH10/04 – Holly Lane the Committee Chairman reported that no response had been received from NSC. It was noted that on the previous Sunday, the school car park had 75 spaces free but 37 cars were parked in Holly Lane and Portishead Road;

Cllr Dagnell as a school governor would raise the issue with the Chairman of the Governors and the School.

TH10/08 – Bus Shelters the Committee Chairman would check on the bus shelter near to the Golf Club which is reportedly not being cleaned.

8.5 PLANNING – 27TH JANUARY 2010

Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 27.01.10 were presented to the meeting and **AGREED**. There being no Part 1 items the Vice Committee Chairman invited questions or comments on Part 2 items; there were none

8.6 TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES – 3RD FEBRUARY 2010

Minutes of the Town Events & Amenities Committee meeting held on 03.02.10 were presented to the meeting, were **AGREED**. There being no Part 1 items the Committee Chairman invited questions or comments on Part 2 items:

TEA 10/07 – MUGA and Tennis Courts. The Committee Chairman explained that the refurbishment of the Tennis Courts had not been to date included in the discussions with NSC but would be in the future.

TEA 10/05.4 Marine Lake – concern was expressed at the state of the walkway alongside the lake with pot holes appearing – this would be discussed at the next TEA meeting

TEA 10/05.1 Railings at Sea Front – it was reported that the work on the railings had started with an amended design to reflect additional height of the railings but in keeping with the Victorian nature of the area. Concern was raised by a Councillor as to the design feeling it would be safer to have a straight vertical design.

TEA 10/05.8 Recycling Bins – The Committee Chairman reported that these had now been moved from the Salthouse Field area to the site on Gt Western Road.

8.7 ENVIRONMENT & PROPERTY – 10TH FEBRUARY 2010

Minutes of the Environment & Property Committee meeting held on 10.02.10 were presented to the meeting and **AGREED**. Part 1 items

EP10/03 CENTRAL HEATING SYSTEM-UNDER MINUTE 40.1

*It was proposed and **AGREED** that the Council authorise the repair work to the boiler be undertaken at a cost of £1374 and an annual maintenance agreement be investigated with the company. Cllr Garner offered to bleed the radiators to eliminate any air pockets.*

AGREED

The Vice Committee Chairman invited questions or comments on Part 2 items. In response to a question, the Town Clerk explained that the wall at the rear of Cemetery Allotment Site was being re-built by the "pay back services" facilitated by the YMCA and with the full agreement and control by NSC. The Town Council have given permission for the service to access the wall through the Allotment Site as has been reported in detail to the Allotment Committee.

10/9 TO AGREE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT PER THE ATTACHED LIST

RESOLVED: that the Council approves the accounts for payment, as per the attached lists.

10/10 APPROVE RETROSPECTIVE ACCOUNTS PAID PER THE ATTACHED LIST

RESOLVED: that the Council approves the retrospective accounts for payment, as per the attached list.

A copy of the Council's balance sheet had been circulated with the agenda for Members Information; members noted the document.

10/11 THE CHAIRMAN FOR 2010/2011

Proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** that Cllr Hall be nominated as Chairman for the year 2010/2011 subject to ratification at the Annual Statutory Meeting on 17th May 2010.

Meeting closed at 8.37 pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN.....

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