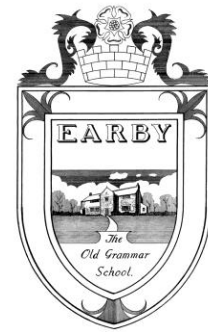


EARBY TOWN COUNCIL



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Minutes of the meeting of EARBY TOWN COUNCIL held on Monday 26th April 2021 at 7.30pm via a remote platform in line with the Coronavirus Act 2020.

1. Welcome

Chairman Cllr Tennant formally opened the meeting.

2. Attendance, Apologies and Non-Attendance

Attending Cllrs: C Tennant, V Cocker, C Carter, A Carter, J Myers, P Hampson, S Hartley. K Jeffreys as Clerk.
Apologies: M Horsfield

3. Declarations of Interest/s

K Jeffreys – Payment under finance.
C Tennant – Payment to Employer.

4. Public discussion

None present.

5. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 29th March 2021 were accepted and approved and will be signed by the Chairman.

Proposed: AC
Seconded: PH
Unanimous

6. Exclusion of the public and press

None.

7. Update of ongoing issues from previous minutes

The work to re-surface the car park at Birley Playing Fields is now complete. Some drainage stone is to be added at a later date.

8. Friday Surgery

No surgeries have been held due to the Covid19 pandemic.

9. Police business

Police have removed four vehicles that were not taxed or road worthy from the road, Cllr Carter has been asked to express Earby Town Council's appreciation for this at the next WCAC meeting.

10. **Correspondence**

None.

11. **Planning: to consider and comment on the following:**

Applications

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

APPLICATION: 21/0217/HHO

PROPOSAL: Full: Erection of a single storey outbuilding (Retrospective)

AT: Station House 1 Skipton Road Earby

FOR: Mrs Victoria Haigh

CONSULTATION Deadline: Please send me your comments by: 30th April 2021

No Objections

Proposed: PH

Seconded: VC

Unanimous

Appeals

None.

Delegated list noted.

12. **Reports from meetings with other organisations**

None.

13. **Finance**

Council approved the payment list, with additions.

Proposed: VC

Seconded: JM

Unanimous

Council noted the reporting of the bank reconciliation to the 31st March 2021.

Council agreed that any reserves that are surplus to the working balance (Total of £45000.00, required working balance £20,000.00) to be earmarked for the building conversion project of the Front Office. In addition, £1639.59 is to be transferred to increase the balance available for the provision of elections.

Proposed: CT

Seconded: JM

Unanimous

14. **Cleaning of Parish Rooms**

Council approved the contracting out of the cleaning of the Parish Rooms as detailed in the quote provided.

Proposed: JM

Seconded: CC

Unanimous

15. **Delegation of authority to Clerk and continuation of business**

Council delegate authority the Clerk until legislation allows virtual meetings to recommence, face-to-face meetings, which would include public gatherings, or another suitable alternative. (See S101 Delegation to Clerk document as previously circulated).

The current legislation allowing for meetings to be held virtually will expire on the 7th May; it is proposed to hold the May meeting on the 5th, prior to this change in legislation. This meeting will be the AGM.

There will then be a longer than break in meetings until the scheduled meeting on the 28th June. Which will be after the 21st June when it is hoped that it will have been possible for the Government to remove all legal limits on social contact.

If restrictions are lifted, the Clerk will return to working from the office from Monday 21st June following a risk assessment and deep clean.

Support

Proposed: CT

Seconded: CC

PH voted against due to being unable to make the meeting date of the 5th May

Amended to the 4th May

Proposed: PH

Seconded: CT

Unanimous

16. Repair of allotment gate - School Lane behind No 20/22

Council to discussed the issues with the gate and access to said gate, it was decided that, since the General Public do not have a right of way to this gate, that it would be removed and a fence would be erected in its place.

Proposed: CC

Seconded: JM

Majority voted in favour – PH against

PH left the meeting.

17. Management of flags

Council approved the appointment of a volunteer to assist with flying flags.

Proposed: VC

Seconded: CC

Unanimous

18. Nomination of 1st July to be recognised as Army Day

Council approved the recognition of the 1st July as Army Day.

Proposed: VC

Seconded: CT

Unanimous

19. Repairs required at Wheatlands Cemetery

Council discussed the repairs required at Wheatlands Cemetery:

- The drystone wall has been repaired.
- The damage on the road has been reported to Lancashire County Council and will be raised at the next meeting of the WCAC.

20. Security of lane at Birley Playing Fields

Council discussed the options available to secure the lane at Birley Playing Fields and decided that a folding bollard would be the most suitable choice.

Proposed: VC

Seconded: JM

Unanimous

21. Issues with parking at Wardle Storey buildings

Council discussed the issues with parking at the Wardle Storey buildings, it was decided that this issue would be raised again with the WCAC and the Environmental Agency would be contacted to arrange a site visit.

It was agreed to raise the road safety issues related to none compliance with traffic and highway conditions with Lancashire County Council Highways. These conditions were imposed by Lancashire County Council as part of the granting of planning permission and have not been upheld.

The meeting closed at 8:45pm

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 4th May 2021 at 7.30pm** via Zoom.

DATED: 27th April 2021

Clerk: K Jeffreys

SIGNED AND APPROVED:

Chairman: C. Tennant

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