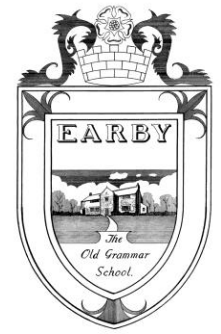


EARBY TOWN COUNCIL



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Minutes of the meeting of EARBY TOWN COUNCIL held on Monday 24th February 2020 at 7.30pm in The Parish Rooms, Victoria Road, EARBY

1. Welcome

Chairman Cllr Tennant formally opened the meeting. A presentation of a donation to the Local History Society, for £250, towards the printing cost of a new book that will be published this year to coincide with the National VE75 Events

2. Attendance, Apologies and Non-Attendance

Attending Cllrs: C Tennant, V Cocker, D Reynolds, M Horsfield, D Haigh, J Myers,

Apologies: P Hampson, S Hartley, C Carter, J Cooper.

Members of the public present: Members of the Gorilla Gardeners, members of The Local History Society, and a resident to take photographs of the pending presentation. **(RESIDENT NAMES REDACTED)**

3. Declarations of Interest/s

Cllr Tennant declared D.O.I. under Finance. On the payment list tonight, there is a payment to his Employers and a personal repayment for new keys being cut.

4. Public discussion

- A) The Chairman of the Local History Society thanked the Council very much for their ongoing support of their projects. The book's author gave an overview of the book's contents and which was very moving.
- B) The two members from the Gorilla Gardeners told us that support for the project was really gathering momentum, they had had their first exhibition/ workshop, themed Beetroot, and this had been a great success, the next one will be themed around rhubarb. They have lots of ideas, gathering info on pockets of land that could be used, new members etc, really positive. They will meet up with our Events committee members to discuss what plans the Town Council have in place for VE75 and how the group can be involved.
- C) Members of the public had been in touch with Councillors to report raw sewage cascading out of a drain/man hole cover on Salterforth Road near St Patrick's Church and the entrance to The Sycamores. The Borough Councillors for Earby and the Flood Group have already reported this to PBC and Yorkshire Water and are awaiting a response.

(RESIDENT NAMES REDACTED)

5. Minutes

To accept and approve as an accurate representation the minutes of the previous Council meeting held on Monday 27th January 2020.

Proposed MH

Seconded JM

Unanimous

6. Update of ongoing issues from previous minutes

VC had been in touch with both PBC and Liberata, neither of them own the Northolme Community Centre, or know who actually does. VC to contact Mr Phillip Mousdale and Mr Dean Langton who should be able to tell us who it has been either sold to or passed over to.

7. Friday Surgery

A long wire with plug has been reported as hanging down the gable end of the Nail Bar opposite the Station Hotel. This will be investigated and made safe.

8. Police business

Cllr PH will report to the next WCC that speeding vehicles around the roads and streets of Earby appear to have increased, alongside a very noisy bike/scooter driving very fast and also a couple of very noisy cars which appear to be racing around.

9. Planning: to consider and comment on the following:

Applications

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

APPLICATION: 20/0059/HHO

PROPOSAL: Full: Erection of a two-storey extension to rear and side.

AT: Dane House Old Lane Earby

FOR: Mr & Mrs Christopher and Donna Ryan

CONSULTATION

Deadline: Please send me your comments by: 3rd March 2020

Extension to house on Old Lane, no objections from Council. CT will send the reply to PBC Planning whilst our Clerk is off sick.

The plans for the Bailey Street development were not approved and would now go to the Policy and Resource Committee at PBC for a decision. Major problems have been highlighted with the drainage and flooding plans.

Appeals

None

To note the delegated list.

The latest list has been circulated by the clerk to all councillors via email. Council will discuss items pertinent to Earby and the clerk to be notified should a councillor wish to highlight a decision for such discussion. **If none the list will be deemed to be accepted.**

10. Reports from meetings with other organisations

- A) Cllr PH on the previous WCC. No Police were present at the meeting but the crime figures had been sent through. A high increase in crime in Earby was shown, comparing them to year on year figures. An explanation for these will be asked of the Police at the next WCC Meeting.
- B) Cllr Tennant had been in touch with Charlotte Pinch in Planning and withdrawn our plans for the front building space. CT had also had a site meeting with Janet Simpson (LCC) who had put forward the main objection to our original plans, CT showed JS around the property and discussed what we were aiming to use it for and what sort of access and layout would be acceptable to LCC. JS had no objection at all to us using the existing garage entrance and changing the lay out in the interior, subject to Building Control being happy with it. JS has no objections to the doorways on the front of the building being made into extra windows, with all the windows matching and also being raised to the 1 in 100-year flood levels, as this building is usually at the centre of any flooding in this particular area. JS also agrees to the whole frontage being rendered as at the moment the frontage is of 3 sorts of material which detracts from the street scene.

11. **Finance**

To approve the payment list with the three extra payments added.

Proposed JM
Seconded MH
Unanimous

12. **Adoption of NALC template code of conduct**

Council to adopt the NALC template code of conduct for Councillors, as previously circulated.

Proposed CT
Seconded VC
Unanimous

13. **Updating of Office 365 programme.**

That Council purchase "Office 365" programme of similar and updates the CEO/RFO lap top computer if required, with this expenditure be financed from within the Administration budget for 2020/21. **Quotes to be obtained.**

Proposed JM
Seconded MH
Unanimous

14. **Appointment of internal auditor**

That Council appoint Yorkshire Internal Audit Services to undertake the internal audit, as part of a continuous service from previous years. **Decision delegated to the Clerk.**

Proposed DH
Seconded JM
Unanimous

15. **VE Day Plans**

VC reported that all venues, entertainment, catering etc were all in place and a VE75 meeting would be called shortly to gather a full team together. Mainly for the Saturday Events, All Saints will be hosting the Thanksgiving Service on the Sunday.

16. Exclusion of the Public and Press

To consider excluding the public and press from the meeting during the next following items of business in pursuance of the power contained in Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 as amended when it is likely, in view of the nature of the proceedings or the business to be transacted, that there will be disclosure of exempt information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.

It was noted that for the first time tonight the Agenda had been split into 2 parts, one for the public, which was the bulk of the meeting where the Public could attend up to item 16.

The meeting was then closed to the public whilst items 17 and 18 were discussed.

PART II – EXEMPT ITEMS

17. Temporary replacement for Lengths man

Council to discuss the requirement for a temporary replacement for the lengths man.

18. Clerks' return to work – HR Committee recommendation

Council to discuss the HR Committee's recommendation on the Clerk's return to work.

19. Correspondence

Letter to go back re CCTV contract with Power-Gen.

In future Item 19 should be the last item in the open meeting.

The meeting closed at 21:30pm.

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 30th March 2020 at 7.30pm** in the Parish Rooms.

DATED: 25th February 2020 In the absence of the Clerk; Vice-Chairman: V. Cocker

SIGNED AND APPROVED: Chairman: C. Tennant