

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARKET WEIGHTON TOWN COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER AT 7.00PM**

Councillor: Hemmerman (Town Mayor)
Smith (Deputy Mayor)
Baxter
Cary
Cashin
Chicken
Curwen
King
Marshall
Peaks
Rudd
A van der Kroon
E van der Kroon

Clerk to the Meeting – Miss Stacey Jayne Bellamy

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - Apologies were received from Cllr Cashin.
2. **AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE TOWN COUNCIL** - None
3. **DECLARATIONS OF A PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST**
Members to declare any interest in items on the Agenda and the nature of those interests.

Cllr Rudd – Agenda Item 13

4. **TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON 7th AUGUST 2019**

After one small amendment requested by Cllr Cary, he then proposed and seconded by Cllr Smith that the Minutes be signed as a true correct record. **AGREED.**

5. **TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING OF MARKET WEIGHTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 28th AUGUST 2019**

The meeting was convened to discuss the skate ramp located in the War Memorial Playing Field. The Council agreed that a Rescission Notice be issued re: folio number 7493, agenda item 10 to allow further discussion at the next Regular Meeting

6. **TO RESOLVE THE RESCISSION NOTICE SUBMITTED BY CLLR HEMMERMAN RE: folio number 7493, agenda item 10, "that the Council adopt the recommendations by ERYC" in respect of the Skate Ramp located in the War Memorial Playing Field.**

*Following receipt of an Abatement Notice In Respect of Statutory Nuisance Environmental Protection Act 1990 – Section 80 on 8th July, and a subsequent meeting with officers of the East Riding of Yorkshire Council on 9th July, at the Regular Meeting of the Town Council held on Wednesday 10th July 2019 it was **AGREED** to follow the advice of those officers and remove the skate ramp week commencing 2nd September 2019.*

Cllr King asked why the appeal process had not been pursued within the allotted time frame. It was pointed out that the Town Council had acted upon advice given by officers of the East Riding of Yorkshire Council as to the possible success of any appeal. The quality of that advice has now been called into question.

Also being called into question are the benchmarks used while conducting the sound recordings which evidenced the Abatement Notice. It has been pointed out that there is currently no legislation relating to the noise of children playing. The skate ramp in itself is inert and therefore emits no sound - ergo the sounds measured were arguably the sounds of children playing.

Cllr Hemmerman asked if, in the light of this discussion and the ensuing public outcry over the decision to remove the skate ramp, the Council felt it should now reconsider its position.

*It was **Proposed** by Cllr Smith, and **Seconded** by Cllr Peaks that the Rescission Notice be approved to allow further discussions to take place. **AGREED***

Signed by the Chairman

7. TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY MARKET WEIGHTON TOWN COUNCIL SINCE 7th AUGUST 2019**ERYC**

1. Email from Environmental Control Manager - *Discussed*
2. Email from Assistant Definitive Map Officer
3. Quarterly Newsletter
4. Western Parishes Liaison Meeting Agenda
5. EYMS Service Change Notification
6. East Riding Local Plan Review - *PH updated the Council*
7. Yorkshire 2019 Para-Cycling Roadshow - *DC updated the Council on Plans by the Community Day Committee*
8. Joint Local Access Forum – 11th September
9. Planning Committee 12th September – HM Prison Full Sutton - *Cllrs could attend if they wanted.*

GENERAL

1. Turton Associates
2. Cllr Hodgson – Planning Group
3. Community Hall Management Committee Minutes
4. Humberside Police Parish Newsletter for August
5. Invitation to NHS East Riding of Yorkshire CCG AGM
6. Parks & People Stronger Together Conference
7. Invitation to Landscapes Exhibition preview
8. Email from a resident - *JM would respond*
9. Humberside Police e-bulletin
10. ERNLLCA Annual General Meeting – 19th September 2019 - *PH and EvdK booked in to attend.*
11. News from Vixen 101
12. Email – Family Tree Enquiry/update – *PH had responded with the information*
13. Email from Cllr Hemmerman
14. Allotment Association
15. Village Halls Conference
16. Yorkshire Wolds Heritage Trust
17. ERVAS Antisocial Behaviour Market Weighton
18. RSA – Where’s My Council National Conference
19. Offer on Linegate - *Discussed. Proposed by Cllr Cary, Seconded by Cllr Chicken to accept offer. Then Cllr Marshall proposed to ask for them to up their offer half way between £175,000 and £200,000, and the Council would take straight off the market. Cllr Curwen seconded. AGREED.*
20. Community Arts Venture – Scrapsadaisy - *JM would respond*
21. Spilsby Town Council – skate ramp - *Discussed. If was to be sold, would contact them.*
22. SLCC AGM
23. Yorkshire Wolds Heritage Trust – Sledmere Lecture
24. Safe Neighbourhood Event
25. Community Led Housing
26. Policy Consultation - Independent Review into Local Government Audit
27. NALC Annual Conference
28. ERNLLCA Newsletter
29. Letter from Goodmanham FC - *ERYC Land. TC will forward*

8. TO DISCUSS ANY ISSUES REGARDING HOLME ROAD ALLOTMENTS

Cllr A van de Kroon – Plot holders weren’t happy with the Skate Ramp being stored on the field and that a letter should have been sent to the Allotment Association informing them of the Councils plans.

The Chairman asked Cllr A van de Kroon to do a report to pass to the Councillors.

9. TO DISCUSS & AGREE ANY ISSUES RELATING TO 2 LINEGATE & 37 HIGH STREET – Cllr Hemmerman

A discussion took place regarding bookings being made out of work hours. At the moment the Administration Officer was happy to unlock/lock the building, and the Town Clerk would cover if needed. But if more bookings were going to be taken, then we would look at the possibility of a Caretaker.

Signed by the Chairman

10. TO DISCUSS AN INVOICE RECEIVED FROM EXELL TECHNOLOGY LTD

It was proposed by Cllr Cary and seconded by Cllr Rudd that this bill be paid, but also find out where the equipment has gone that was replaced. **AGREED.**

11. TO DISCUSS THE WAR MEMORIAL PLAYING FIELD (*hedge, access gate and Right of Way*)

Cllr Cary – A neighbouring bungalow to the WMPF had cut back trees which were over hanging on their side, but this needs looking at as there is a phone line which branches have grown round. Three quotes to be received for the works to be completed, then re discussed.

Cllr Cary – The Handymen to make a larger access gate for vehicles to be able to enter the WMPF. **AGREED.**

Right of Way – Still on going.

12. TO DISCUSS ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE – Cllr Cary

It was agreed that Cllr Cary investigate the process and way forward to identify assets of community value.

13. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE WAY FORWARD REGARDING THE SKATE RAMP

Cllr Hemmerman confirmed that an appeal application had been made to the Ombudsman in respect of the processes used prior to the issuing of the Abatement Notice on the skate ramp. To date, he had received no response to that application. He pointed out that future options were limited to either compliance with the Notice, Judicial Review, or to contest the Notice in a magistrates' court.

Following this discussion, it was felt that it would be prudent for Cllr.s King and Hemmerman to investigate the potential costs of seeking either a judicial review or contesting the matter in a magistrates' court. Proposed Cllr King, Seconded Cllr Cary. AGREED.

A statement in the press by a Ward Councillor, in which he was quoted as saying that any removal of the skate ramp would be temporary, and that work was in hand to ensure that the ramp would be reinstated in 3 – 4 weeks, had been misleading. To the best of the Council's knowledge, no future site had been identified, agreed upon, nor planning permission sought to re-site the skate ramp.

A recent intervention by Sir Greg Knight MP may prove propitious. He suggested that the Town Council approach the Director of Communities and Environment at the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and ask that ERYC buy and remove the existing skate ramp. With the funds received, the Town Council could then construct a concrete replacement. Sir Greg indicated that he would also approach the Director of Communities and Environment to offer his support to this proposal.

It was Proposed by Cllr Smith and Seconded by Cllr Peaks that this course of action be pursued. AGREED.

Cllr Chicken left the meeting at 8.35pm

14. TO AGREE THE FOLLOWING POLICIES – Bullying & Harassment, Equality & Diversity, Drugs & Alcohol, Privacy, ICT policy

The Councillors had already been sent copies of the 5 Policies which were being discussed. Cllr Smith proposed that all 5 be approved and put on the Council website. This was seconded by Cllr Baxter. **AGREED.**

15. TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD SINCE THE LAST REGULAR MEETING – None.**16. TO RECEIVE ANY GRAVE RESERVATIONS - None****17. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL REPORTS****PAYMENTS 09/08/2019 to 30/08/2019**

09/08/2019	Miss S Rommell	Refund of Mayor's BBQ Tickets (see 500816)	30.00
09/08/2019	Country Fayre	Yorkshire Day	624.00
09/08/2019	Angel Springs Ltd	Water Cooler Rental	73.38
09/08/2019	Siemens Financial Services	Copier Lease Rental Sept - Dec	164.51

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09/08/2019	ERYC Supplies	Stationery & Consumables	79.15
09/08/2019	Vizsec (UK) Ltd	Upgrade of CCTV - Aspen & WMPF - funded	9236.60
09/08/2019	Granvilles	Sundries for Town Hall	108.34
09/08/2019	Tesco	Refreshments - Staff	6.97
09/08/2019	Post Office	Stamps 1st & 2nd	30.36
12/08/2019	E on	37 High Street - Electricity	275.80
12/08/2019	E on	37 High Street - Gas	14.29
15/08/2019	Tesco	Fuel	32.18
15/08/2019	HMRC	PAYE & NI - Staff	486.58
19/08/2019	Sally May Flower Merchant	Flowers for Yorkshire Day	120.00
21/08/2019	EE Limited	Handyman Mobile	15.56
22/08/2019	HMRC	PAYE & NI - Staff	1166.18
23/08/2019	ERPF	Staff Pensions - Aug	891.46
23/08/2019	MWTC	Staff Wages - Aug	5278.91
23/08/2019	Mr Stonehouse	Refund for Skate Ramp removal	130.00
27/08/2019	United Carlton	Copier Usage	117.32
27/08/2019	Mark & Mick Baxter Builders	Work on main staircase	30.00
27/08/2019	MWTC	Petty Cash	30.00
27/08/2019	S Goddard	Window Clean	50.00
27/08/2019	Post Office	Office Diaries 2020	8.97
28/08/2019	Yorkshire Water	37 High Street	87.19
28/08/2019	Yorkshire Water	15 Sandwalk	13.00
30/08/2019	Black Horse	Pick Up Lease	223.68
03/09/2019	Mr Smartt	Allotment Bond Refund - E2 - Ref: 500044	30.00
03/09/2019	MW Farm Supplies	Handyman Supplies	91.29
03/09/2019	D W Fencing	Digger Hire	60.00
03/09/2019	ERYC Supplies	Stationery & Consumables	42.44
03/09/2019	Southgate DIY	Handyman Supplies	57.38
03/09/2019	Market Weighton Hedgehogs	Donation	100.00
TOTAL:			19705.54

RECEIPTS 09/08/2019 to 19/08/2019

09/08/2019	SP Memorials	Willmott Inscription	£ 26.00
09/08/2019	Miss S Rommell	Mayor's Barbeque Tickets (to be refunded)	£ 30.00
13/08/2019	Maurice Sharp Undertakers	Eva Thirsk	£ 574.40
15/08/2019	M W Community Players	Room Hire Donation	£ 44.00
19/08/2019	Cruse Bereavement Care	Room Hire Donation	£ 60.00
19/08/2019	Insight Healthcare	Room Hire Donation	£ 1,160.00
TOTAL:			£ 1,894.40

The Mayor read out the balances on the accounts which were as follows:

Savings Account - £19,236.46 Holding Account - £2,786.74 Precept Working Acct - £65,889.63

Proposed by Cllr Rudd and seconded by Cllr Baxter that the Financial Reports be a true correct record. **AGREED.**

18. REQUESTS FOR DONATIONS

Community Day Committee had requested £250 to help towards the bunting and cross street banners for the Yorkshire 2019 Para-Cycling Roadshow. Cllr Rudd proposed, seconded by Cllr E van de Kroon that this donation be given. **AGREED.**

19. FORTHCOMING EVENTS DIARY AND REPORTS

The events diary was passed to all showing visits done and to be done by the Mayor. The Deputy Mayor will be asked to attend events if the Mayor is unable to.

20. TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS - None**21. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DETERMINATIONS - None****22. TO DISCUSS ANY RELEVANT COMMITTEE AND COMMUNITY ISSUES**

Signed by the Chairman

Cllr Curwen – Was there any where that the Compost Give Away could be relocated, due to the town missing out on the event earlier in the year? Beckland’s Business Park was suggested. TC would forward this to ERYC.

Cllr A van de Kroon – Had noticed a hosepipe across the Holme Road Cemetery to the vet hospital development. Cllr Cary informed the Council that he had been approached by the Manager and asked if they could use some water for their canteen, cleaning of boots. The Cemetery water supply is not on a meter so this wasn’t a problem.

Cllr Baxter – Asked if any update on a response from ERYC regarding the Parking Limits down the High Street. TC would chase up.

Cllr Peaks – Had heard that the Health Centre was to close. None of the other Councils had heard this.

23. THE NEXT REGULAR TOWN MEETING OF MARKET WEIGHTON TOWN COUNCIL – 2nd October 2019

There being no further business to discuss the Town Mayor thanked Members for their attendance and declared the Meeting ***closed at 8.56 pm.***