

# HEDNESFORD TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

HELD AT 7:30 pm ON TUESDAY 29 MARCH 2016

AT PYE GREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE, HEDNESFORD

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. A Pearson (Chairman), B Gamble (Vice-Chairman), G Adamson, D J Davis, Mrs D Grice, C Mitchell and Mrs L Whitehouse

(Apologies were received from Cllrs B and Mrs S Hardman)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr P Harrison (Town Council Manager/Clerk) L Aitchison (The Marketing Room) and 2 members of the public

Prior to the formal commencement of the meeting discussion took place on the Food is Free Project and the possibility of this being introduced in to the area. Reference was made to practicalities and the fact that a similar scheme in the past had failed to generate any support. It was noted that allotments were to be provided as part of the redevelopment of the former Stadium and it may be that part of that area could be dedicated for use by a community group

Reference was made to removal of trees on private land outside Lloyds Bank. It was agreed that the property agents be contacted to ask why this had been done

A complaint was made regarding lack of drain clearance leading to flooding on local roads. County Councillors were to meet with representatives of the Highway Authority and would raise this and other issues

### **1. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2016 were approved as a correct record

### **2. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman had attended a 40's night organised by the Staffordshire Regimental Association to raise funds for military charities

### **3. PYE GREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Consideration was given to a report of a meeting of the Committee held on 21 March 2016

RESOLVED:

That the report and recommendations contained therein be approved

### **4. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING STEERING GROUP**

Consideration was given to a report of a meetings of the Steering Group held on 22 March 2016

RESOLVED:

That the report be approved and arising therefrom:

- a) The time period for the Neighbourhood Plan be coterminous with that for the approved Local Plan
- b) The area for the referendum be confined to the Town Council electoral wards

**5. REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MANAGER/CLERK**

Consideration was given to this report

RESOLVED:

**a) Planning**

That the action of the Town Council Manager/Clerk in consultation with the principal speaker in submitting observations on planning applications shown at Annex 1 be confirmed

**b) Hednesford in Partnership**

That reports of meetings held on 14 January and 17 March 2016 be received

**c) Heart of Hednesford Restoration Project**

That the report of a meeting held on 20 January 2016 be received

**d) Community Spirit**

That reports of meetings held on 4 February and 3 March 2016 be received

**e) Library Update**

That it be noted that arrangements to transfer the service would require the identification of up to 75 volunteers

**f) Parking Controls – Anglesey Street**

That the action taken by the Town Council Manager/Clerk in consultation with the Chairman in raising no objection to the introduction of additional parking controls in Anglesey Street subject to necessary enforcement action being carried out be confirmed

**g) Abolition of Charging Regime – M6 Toll**

That correspondence from MP's regarding this be noted

**h) CCTV Monitoring**

That the monitoring statement for February 2016 be noted

**i) Grant Application**

That the sum of £500.00 be awarded to Hednesford Ex Bowls

**j) Finance**

i) That income received be noted and payments made up to 29 February 2016 be confirmed

ii) That the Council open a bank account with Unity Trust Bank and a separate deposit account with Nationwide

## **6. ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING AND ITEMS FROM MEMBERS**

### **Public Footpaths & HGV's**

Cllr Mrs Whitehouse reported that the footways in Anglesey Street and Eskrett Street were in a bad state of repair. Cllr G Adamson agreed to take this matter up with the Highway Authority. In addition she referred to numbers of HGV's particularly in Rawsley Road which she considered to be exceeding the speed limit and some to be overweight, It was agreed that these concerns be forwarded to the Police for attention

The meeting ended at 8:55 pm

Signed:

Dated:

**Council Meeting 29 March 2016 – List of Planning Applications**

16/093	Extension – 12 Cheviot Rise	No Objection
16/091	Extension – 18 Corsican Drive	No Objection
16/090	Extension – 117 Bond Way	No Objection
16/088	1 dwelling – 19 Eskrett Street	No Objection
16/078	Extension – 2 Foster Avenue	No Objection
16/043	Balcony etc.; removal of conservatory – 5 Heather Valley	No Objection
16/036	Detached garage – 16 Bond Way	No Objection