

**BOROUGHBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2011
IN 1 HALL SQUARE, BOROUGHBRIDGE**

PRESENT Cllrs. G Craggs (Chairman), F Cooper, I Maltby, E Vose, B Walker, R Windass, M Winder, R Young, District Cllr A Alton, H Nellis (Clerk), J Leith (Assistant Clerk) Yore Vision representatives, Graham Archer, Keith Ramsey & Tom Walker, arrived at 7.00pm to talk about the proposed Lower Ure Strategic Partnership

The Meeting opened at 6.28 pm

- 1 To accept apologies for absence** –County Cllr J Watson, N Smith, J Wilkinson
- 2 Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda** – None
- 3 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 August 2011-** It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes be signed as an accurate record of the Meeting held on 6 September 2011; proposed by Cllr Young and seconded by Cllr Cooper
- 4 Public Questions or Statements**
To receive an update on developments at Aldborough Gate – No update was received
- 5 To receive information about proposals for a Lower Ure Strategic Partnership from representatives of Yore Vision** – Resulting from the recent survey by Genecon, Graham Archer outlined the logic and ethos behind a proposed partnership in which local organisations would work together, with equal status, on identified projects and initiatives within the area. Boroughbridge Town Council would be one of these organisations and the Nidderdale Plus model would be used as a template because it is seen to work effectively to the benefit of the Community. The Chairman of the proposed Partnership would be independent and it is envisaged that this role would rotate amongst the stakeholders within the Partnership. Councillors asked for time to consider the finer details and the implications of the proposal and thanked the representatives of Yore Vision for attending the Meeting
Graham Archer, Keith Ramsey and Tom Walker left the meeting at 7.22pm
- 6 Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4 October 2011**
Item 7 – ideas for commemorative memorabilia for the Queen’s Jubilee following the Chamber Of Trade Meeting held on 5 October 2011
The Chairman outlined proposals for the day and informed councillors that the Council would work closely with the Lions to organise lunch and some form of entertainment at Coronation Hall and in the evening it was hoped to stage celebrations on the Shared Open Space. Councillors Windass and Young agreed to contact John Boddy Timber to ask whether the company would be prepared to donate and design a commemorative plaque to be sited in the Town. Councillors Craggs, Cooper and Windass agreed to be the Jubilee Working Group representing the Council **Action: GC, RW, FC, RY**
- 7 Correspondence**
 - a) To receive the annual report of Ripon and District Citizens Advice Bureau and to consider a request for a financial donation towards the fundraising – the contents were noted but councillors felt unable to consider the request in the current financial climate
 - b) To receive a letter of thanks from the Chairman of the Aldborough & Boroughbridge Show for the bus service provided by the Council - Information Noted
 - c) To receive a letter of complaint from a local resident about the various restricted parking orders currently being implemented in the Town by Highways North

Yorkshire – The contents of the letter, addressed to Highways North Yorkshire, were noted

8 Finance

- a) **To receive the financial statement for October 2011 – Appendix 1** – Noted and approved subject to audit: proposed by Cllr Young and seconded by Cllr Maltby
- b) **To agree invoices/salaries to be paid - Appendix 1** – It was **AGREED** to include the payment of an invoice of £57.12 received that afternoon from TG Cutt for the annual Service of fire extinguishers: proposed by Cllr Young and seconded by Cllr Maltby
- c) **To resolve matters arising from the Meeting of the Finance and Personnel Working Group held on Tuesday 25 October 2011**
- (i) **To decide on ideas for the expenditure of commuted sums available for the Recreation Ground** – Following receipt of a letter from Harrogate Borough Council, listing possible ideas, it was **RESOLVED** that the money should be spent on a new youth shelter similar to the one on the Car Park in the Town – proposed by Cllr Vose and seconded by Cllr Young **Action: Clerk**
Councillors were issued with a list of available commuted sums and agreed to look into ideas for the expenditure of money that had to be spent by April 2012
- (ii) **To set the Precept for 2012 / 2013** - The Chairman of Finance Group, in his absence, asked for this item to be deferred until the next Council Meeting on 6 December 2011.
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- (iii) **Aldbrough Gate and the Allotment Society – renewal of the current lease and financial implications for the Council** – Following talks with the current tenant of the land, it was noted that he has no objections to the Allotment Society taking over the remainder of the bottom field. This area will provide between 30 and 35 additional plots and the current income for the Council will remain unchanged. It was **RESOLVED** that residents outside the Parish should be asked to pay an extra £5.00 per annum rent for their plots: proposed by Councillor Craggs and seconded by Councillor Cooper. Councillor Maltby said that he would put this proposal to the Society **Action: IM**
- (iv) **To review donations made by Communicare from April 2012** – It was **RESOLVED** that Boroughbridge Town Council allocate a grant of £1,000 to Communicare from April 2012, following withdrawal of funding by the County Council: proposed by Councillor Windass and seconded by Councillor Cooper

9 Working Groups and Committees

- a) **Tutt Woodland** – Nothing to report
- b) **Public Open Spaces** – Nothing to report
- c) **Planning Committee**: to approve the Minutes of the Meetings held on Tuesday 4 and 25 October. To receive the Harrogate District DF Sites and Policies Development Plan Document and agree which councillor/s will submit responses to the relevant questionnaire – It was agreed that Cllr Wilkinson, as Chairman of the Planning Committee, should complete the questionnaire on behalf of the Council
- d) **TIP Report** for October 2011- The Clerk reported that there had been 310 visitors during October, and comparative statistics show that the total number of visitors for this year (4000) is approximately the same as in 2010
- e) **Schools Liaison and Youth** – Nothing to report
- f) **Website** – Nothing to report
- g) **Burial Board** – to agree a date for a meeting of the Burial Board – It was agreed to hold the next meeting on 15 November 2011 at 6.30pm in 1 Hall Square

Councillors time to share issues and decide agenda items for next meeting.
Members are reminded that the statutory notice of any business to be transacted has not been posted and should recognise that any decisions taken may be considered to be unlawful if challenged in the future

- Cllr Vose mentioned that the Stocks on Aldborough Green are in need of repair and it was agreed to contact a local joiner for an assessment of the repairs needed
 - Cllr Maltby firstly asked if the Council would finance the bus service again for the next Boroughbridge and Aldborough Show and he asked for approval to use the gazebos and tents in Hall Square and on the Fountain Apron on 21 April 2012. Permission was granted
 - Cllr Windass informed the Council that he and a representative from Highways North Yorkshire had toured Boroughbridge to identify roadways in need of repair. Work has already started on this, with the flooding in Springfield Road area of the town to be addressed also
- 9 To confirm that the date of the next Meeting of Boroughbridge Town Council is TUESDAY 6 December 2011 at 6.30pm in 1 Hall Square, Boroughbridge** Councillor Maltby offered his apologies for this Meeting and Councillor Windass said that he could Be absent if there is a planning meeting in Harrigate on that evening

The Meeting closed at 8.32 pm

Signed: ----- (Chairman)

Dated: -----