

# Bakewell Town Council

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## An Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 7.00pm

### Minutes

Non Confidential items

- 3311/16 **Present**  
Cllr Steve Edwards, Cllr Helen Froggatt, Cllr Alyson Hill, Cllr Vivienne Parnham, Cllr John Riley, Cllr Bill Storey
- 1 member of the public
- 3312/16 **To receive and accept apologies for absence**  
**Resolved:** To accept apologies from Cllr Paul Morgans, (work commitment) Cllr Philippa Tilbrook(work commitment), Cllr Hilary Young (prior engagement)
- 3313/16 **Mayor's announcements**  
Cllr Helen Froggatt welcomed everyone to the meeting and outlined business for the evening.
- 3314/16 **Declaration of Members Interests**  
(a) **To enable members to declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they have in subsequent agenda items, in accordance with the Town Council's Code of Conduct. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.**  
None received.
- (b) **To receive and approve requests for dispensation from members in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**  
None received.
- 3315/16 **Items in Exclusion**  
**To determine which items, if any, should be taken with the public excluded**  
It was not considered necessary to take any items in exclusion.

3316/16 **Public Speaking**

- (a) A period of not more than 30 minutes will be made available for members of the public and members of the Council to comment on any matter (Representations are limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per person).**

George Challenger spoke to outline the rationale behind the planting of the wildflower area in the churchyard and its role in supporting the entry of Bakewell in Bloom to the East Midlands in Bloom competition. George Challenger then left the meeting.

Cllr Vivienne Parnham highlighted reports of an emergency planning meeting to discuss access and egress to a Derby retail park, and compared it to an apparent lack of action locally when events caused similar congestion.

- (b) If the Police Liaison Officer, a County Councillor or District Councillor is in attendance they will be given the opportunity to raise any relevant matter.**

District Councillors reported on a presentation made to District Council on the proposed closure of Newholme Hospital.

3317/16 **To approve the minutes**

- (a) Staff Committee Meeting held Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

**Resolved:** To approve the minutes of the Staff Committee meeting held Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016 as a correct record.

- (b) Ordinary Meeting held Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

**Resolved:** To approve the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016 as a correct record.

- (c) Planning Committee Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

**Resolved:** To approve the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2016 as a correct record.

3318/16 **Reports**

**To receive a report on the Flood Warden Scheme**

Cllr Steve Edwards reported that the next phase of letters is ready to go out to 48 properties in Wyebank/Wyebank Grove. A meeting of interested parties was held on Thursday 14th July 2016 at which a member of the National Flood Forum was present and was able to offer advice and guidance. Cllr Steve Edwards will be contacting DDDC to request the inclusion of a presentation as part of the next round of Area Community Forums. A bale of 1000 sandbags is to be delivered to the Clerk's Office by DDDC Emergency Planning Department on Monday 25th July 2016.

**Resolved:** To note the report.

3319/16 **Clerk's Report**

**To approve Clerks Report on action taken following the Annual Meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

**Resolved:** To approve the Report.

3320/16 **Correspondence**

**Resolved:** To note receipt of the following item for information

Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Circular 11 2016 Forthcoming training, Bus Service Bill, 'Blue Light' deal for National

3321/16 **Matters for decision**

**(a) Use of Market Place for up to four Community Events a year; report on meeting with DDDC Head of Community Development, Ashley Watts and District Councillors**

Clerk advised that, despite hastening, a response is still awaited.

**Resolved:** Clerk to follow up the matter with DDDC Chief Executive's office and bring to the agenda of the September Ordinary meeting.

**(b) DCC Consultation on proposals to stop grant funding to voluntary and community sector providers**

**Resolved:** To approve the following response;

"As a Town Council the format of the consultation document is not well suited to our sector so we are taking the opportunity to reply in a more open format.

The Town Council recognises the scale of the funding cuts that Derbyshire County Council faces.

The Town Council is extremely concerned at the effect of the proposed removal of funding to the voluntary and community sector will have. It is felt that the likely service reductions that would accrue to some of the most vulnerable people in society.

It is difficult, as a consultee, to suggest alternative sources of funding or doing business in the absence of a detailed knowledge of the full range of voluntary community sector organisations and the ambit of the services they provide. However, should the full extent of the proposed cuts be imposed we feel that Derbyshire as a whole will be the poorer.

For small scale support Town and Parish Councils may be able to assist in particular circumstances through grant funding, however this is unlikely to make an appreciable impact on the shortfall

To allow the finding of funding elsewhere it is suggested that DCC reduces its support for groups over a longer transitional period, perhaps several years, rather than withdrawing the entire budget on a given date.

Withdrawal of funding from funding of AgeUK centre at Bakewell would significantly affect the quality of life for Bakewell residents in addition it would adversely affect those travelling from the rural locations to this essential facility."

**(c) Consultation on possible closure of Newholme Hospital to approve response**

200 people attended the recent presentation at the Agricultural Business Centre. It is understood that local doctors do not support the proposals. In view of present staff shortages questions were raised as to how the "rapid response" roles will be staffed. The safety of the proposals is also questioned with limited resources being spread thinly across a large area. The ability of "rapid responders" to get to properties in poor

weather was queried.

**Resolved:**

- Clerk to order five 8-ft by 2-ft banners to further raise awareness of the proposals.
- Clerk to copy link to DALC request wider circulation of consultation to relevant parishes.
- Clerk to put link to the consultation on website.
- Members to produce a report for consideration at the September meeting.
- To ascertain action being taken by other groups
- To provide meeting rooms at Town Hall to support the “Save Newholme” campaign

**(d) PDNPA Parish Council Satisfaction Survey – to approve participation**

**Resolved:** Clerk to respond on behalf of the Council.

**(e) DDDC Area Community Forum; To approve representatives 7pm Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July – Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell**

**Resolved:** Cllr Steve Edwards/Cllr Bill Storey to represent the Council as available.

**(f) To approve formal request to DCC for further town centre pavement work**

**Resolved:** Clerk to ascertain whether funding is available for further works, if so, how much and in which financial year(s).

**(g) Yeld Road Play Area – to receive update and to approve action taken**

Clerk reported that, further to minute 3304/16, police and insurers have been advised and that a clean-up has been arranged in order to return the playground to operation by the start of the school summer holidays. Police are following up lines of enquiry to identify and interview those responsible.

**Resolved:** To approve the action taken.

**(h) Maintenance of churchyard, to request a meeting with interested parties.**

**Resolved:** Clerk to arrange a meeting between DDDC Operations Officer, District Councillors, Ben Roper (PCC), and available members of the Town Council.

**(i) To approve adoption of revised NALC/SLCC salary scales**

The revision represents a 1% increase. Provision for this increase has been included in the precept calculation.

**Resolved:** To approve the adoption of the revised scales.

3322/16 **Finance**

**(a) Statement of account**

**Resolved:** To note that per statement sheet 314 dated 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016 the Town Council’s Business Instant Access Reserve Account stood at £104,169.21

**(b) Approval of payments made since last meeting**

**Resolved:** To approve the following payments;

Cheque	Date	Payee	Amount	VAT	Total
4080	04/07/16	Mayor’s Allowance	£500		£500
4081	04/07/16	HMRC		<i>Not for publication</i>	
4082	04/07/16	Clerk June		<i>Not for publication</i>	

**(c) To consider Risk Assessment and Insurance issues for decisions made above**

All decisions taken in good faith. No new Risk Assessment or insurance items received.

**3323/16 Time, date and place of next meetings**

The next meetings of the Town Council will be as follows:

- Planning Committee 7.00pm Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016 in the Council Chamber  
The agenda closes midday Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2016.
- Planning Committee 7.00pm Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016 in the Council Chamber  
The agenda closes midday Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2016.

Note: There is no meeting of full council in August; the next Ordinary meeting of full Council will be 7.00pm Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016 for which the agenda closes midday Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm