



MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8TH FEBRUARY 2022 HELD AT THE WINNING POST, MARSHLAND ROAD, MOORENDS

Present Councillors Craig Ellis Town Mayor (Chairman), S Durant Deputy Town Mayor, C Blackham, J Blackham, N Etherington, K Fox, M Houlbrook, J Phillips, R Powell, S Sweeting,

Also, in attendance at the meeting – 1 member of the public and a reporter from the local press

3792 APOLOGIES

Apologies noted as received from the following Councillors

C Blackham, A Cuttall, M Houlbrook, R Porter, S Sweeting and M Williams

3793. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

Councillor S Durant, Deputy Town Mayor, declared an interest in the Planning matters as she is on the Planning Committee at Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council.

3794. LOCUM TOWN CLERK

Councillor C Ellis, Chairman, reported that the Town Clerk, Mr. Matthew Gleadall, was not in attendance at the meeting and that Mr. Chris Geeson, (Locum Town Clerk August 2017 – October 2018) had been invited to oversee the meeting and offer any professional advice as necessary.

3795. MINUTES

Town Council Meeting – 18th January 2022 - The Minutes were received and approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Town Council Meeting – 25th January 2022 - The Minutes were received and approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman subject to the following amendments:

3765 – **Matters raised by members of the Public** – delete as it duplicated Minute 3778.

3790 – Moorends Football Stand – “delete as a construction expert himself”

3796. MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No matters were raised by the member of the public present

3797. FINANCIAL REPORT

RESOLVED: That the absence of the Town Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer (TC&RFO) detailed consideration be deferred.

Members were directed to raise specific questions and queries direct to TC&RFO.

3798 . PLANNING APPLICATIONS – FEBRUARY 2022

RESOLVED: That the report submitted by the TC&RFO was received and noted.

3799. INTERNAL CONTROLS REVIEW.

RESOLVED: That the report submitted by the TC&RFO was received and noted for further continuous review.

FURTHER RESOLVED: That arrangements be put in place to include the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor in the approval of the on-line payments system and as contact details available to the external accountants (DCK Accounts Solutions)

3800 SOUTH PARADE TOILETS

RESOLVED That a report submitted by the TC&RFO relating to a refurbishment of the South Parade Toilets be received and referred to the Future Projects Group for further consideration.

3801 GRANT FUNDING

RESOLVED That following a request from the Councillor C Ellis, Town Mayor, a report submitted by the TC&RFO relating to a grant funding be received and referred to the Future Projects Group for further consideration.

3802 REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK & RFO

RESOLVED That in view of Minute 3794 above, this matter was not available to the meeting for consideration.

3803. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential of the remaining business to be transacted.

3804 BRITISH GAS

RESOLVED: That a report prepared by the TC&RFO relating to historical claims by British Gas that sums were due for energy supplies dating back several years was received and agreed that a sum of £1880.40 be paid in full settlement.

3805 TOWN COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONS

Councillors C Ellis, Town Mayor and R Powell, Chairman of Staffing & Complaints Committee reported that the Town Clerk & RFO and the Operations Manager were currently “**Not at Work**” and that a report from the Staffing & Complaints Committee would be submitted to an Extra-ordinary Meeting of the Town Council as soon as possible.

RESOLVED: That the reports be received and noted.

3806 LOCUM TOWN CLERK

That further to Minute 3794 and 3805 above Councillors C Ellis, Town Mayor and S Durant, Deputy Town Mayor, be given plenary powers to negotiate a short-term contract with Chris Geeson to act as Locum Town Clerk to ensure the continuation of essential administrative and operational issues