**BARNOLDSWICK TOWN COUNCIL Agenda Item 4**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 28th June 2023 at The Civic Hall, Barnoldswick

**Cllr Chris Church, Chairman**

**Present**

Councillors David Whipp, Gillian Robinson, Callum Hird, Mick Strickland, Emma West, Marjorie Adams, John Spencer, Mike Whittingham & Mandy Boardman

Councillors were asked to take an urgent item and agreed due to the need to advertise quickly.

**23/21 Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Tom Whipp, Jodie Greaves & David Greaves

**23/22 Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were received.

**Resolved**: To note this information

**23/23 Open Forum**

No emails were received and no questions were asked via the YouTube broadcast.

**23/24 Minutes of the last meeting**

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the last Full Council Meeting held on the 17th May 2023 be approved as a correct record

**23/25 Committee/Working Groups**

1. General Purposes 14th June 2023

Delegate decision to GP to look at hedge at Barnoldswick Town Football Club. Advised councillors that the Skipton Road Bus Stop had had the Perspex replaced with glass.

To arrange an open meeting regarding BOTs during Beach so marquee can be used.

1. Allotments 7th June 2023

**Resolved:** To note both minutes.

**23/26 To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement**

**Resolved:**

**Resolved:** To accept and sign the Annual Governance Statement. To thank the Clerk

**23/27 Financial Matters**

1. To confirm approval of payments made by the Town Clerk to the Council since the last meeting of the Council and to delegate consent for payments to be made prior to the next meeting of the Council
2. To receive and approve the accounting statement for the year ending the 31st March 2023

**Resolved:** That authority be delegated to the Town Clerk to make payments up to the next Full Council meeting. To acknowledge that the BOTs bar went over budget but there was a need to re-stock. However £2600 was refunded for stock taken back. Additional income was received from sales.

To note that the Council now need to register for VAT due to the income for business activities exceeding £85000. Civic Hall to have to charge VAT on bookings. Agreed to charge an additional 10% this year and then full VAT to be charged from April 2024.

**23/28 Premises License Chicago Fried Chicken Limited**

**Resolved:** To object to the extended license with the following reasons:

There are real concerns about this license.  No other businesses in the town centre operate during these hours. Given the current levels of ASB being seen in the area they feel these will increase and as a town will cause significant issues.

During BOTs this area  after 11pm became littered with take away boxes.  The littering has only become an issue since this business starting operating.

Conversations with residents and business owners in the town have all indicated that the ASB has rocketed since this and the shop opposite have opened.  These residents and business owners feel that by extending the hours this will compound existing issues.

**23/29 Grant Application Barnoldswick Town Football Club**

To consider a grant application from Barnoldswick Town for £1000 to refurbish the toilets at the club house.

**Resolved:** To approve the grant. To promote the availability of the grants to the wider public

**23/30 Report on Countryside Access work in 2022/2023**

To receive a report from Tom Partridge on work carried out under this scheme

**Resolved:** To note the report

**23/31 Pendle Alcohol Control Public Spaces Protection Order**

To consider and agree on any comments to Pendle BC regarding Alcohol Control Public Spaces Protection Orders. The current order expires in October 2023 and Pendle would like to know whether we would like to extend this for a further three years.

**Resolved**: continue with parks and open areas but take the town square off it. To add the Memorial Gardens.

**23/32 Youth Provision Barnoldswick**

a. To receive a verbal update on Lancashire County Councils plans for the youth provision in the basement

b. To consider a request to install an additional shelter at Victory Park Barnoldswick

**Resolved:** To note that work has started on the basement. To acknowledge that LCC may not need all the space in the future.

To apply for funding for the Youth Shelter and installation from the Police & Crime Commissioner. Could apply to WCAC or other funding providers if unable to obtain sufficient funds for scheme. To get prices for replacement quarter pipe.

**23/33 Request to remove street furniture on Rainhall Road**

To consider a request to remove the benches on the frontage at Rainhall Road

**Resolved:** Remove benches and move to Letcliffe**.**

**23/34 Costs for plaques on memorial benches**

To discuss and agree on a fee to have a plaque on town council benches

**Resolved:** Agreed a fee of £150. Includes plaque and maintenance for 10 years**.**

**23/35 Town Centre Traffic Flow Consultation**

To consider and make comments on the plans for town centre traffic flow (plans to follow)

**Resolved:** Delegate authority to GP to make comments.

**23/36 Replacement Dust Bin**

To consider a request from parks for a replacement bin in Valley Gardens Park at a cost of approximately £400

**Resolved:** Refer Pendles Environmental Services to WCAC to use fund for bins

**23/37 Former Gospel Mission Hall**

To consider and comment on the request to Pendle BC to relax the covenant on the former Gospel Mission Hall

**Resolved:** Town Council to oppose the relaxing of the covenant

**23/38 Pendle Local Plan**

To consider establishing a working group to formulate and recommend a response from the town council to Pendles draft local plan and delegate authority to the General Purposes Committee to submit a response on behalf of the town council.

**Resolved:** Tom Whipp, David Whipp & Mick Strickland to form the working group.

**23/39 Potholes**

To consider work needed to fill potholes at Victory Park and Letcliffe Park

**Resolved**: Authorise Clerk to accept the lowest quote. To circulate before proceeding.

**23/40 Correspondence/Items for information**

**Approved as a correct record of the above meeting**

**Signed………………………………………………………**

**Date…………………………………………………………**

**Cllr Chris Church – Chair of the Full Council**

**The next meeting of the Full Council will be held on 13th September 2023**

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