

## **HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL**

### **MEETING of the TOWN COUNCIL held WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020 at HEBDEN BRIDGE TOWN HALL**

#### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT** Councillors; Stow (Chair), Bampton Smith, Boggis, Cammack, Courtney, Fenton, Fraser, Freeth, Guilfoyle, Hodgins, Hoyle, Needham, Patient, Stevens, Wood and Young.

Clerk – Jason Boom

**447. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.**  
No questions were asked of the council.

**448. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**  
Cllr Harvey

**449. MEMBERS' INTERESTS' RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS.**  
Cllr Young item 451 b)

**450. GRASS ROOTS COMICS**  
Martin Keat from the Bishop Simeon Trust was introduced by Cllr Carol Stow who outlined his help at the School Council. Members were invited to attend the second school council on the 28/4/2020.  
Martin outlined the role of the Trust which has existed for 50 years and how it fights for the rights of children and to allow them to access education. Based primarily in South Africa it provides safe space children centres and youth leader projects.  
A tool they have used with success is Grass Root Comics, to allow children to express themselves and bring them together to discuss and confront issues and to start a process of change. These comics have now been developed into films and can be used and adapted to meet any need.  
It is hope that the school council will have a display from local schools, staff and councillors from HRTC.

Cllr Freeth offered support from the local Rotary Club, Cllr Stevens asked about the involvement of the authorities and it was confirmed they were becoming increasingly interested in the Trusts work. Cllr Needham saw it as an opportunity for young people to communicate between themselves, both home and abroad.

Cllr Stow asked Councillors to develop a Grass Roots Comic with the guidance and format to be circulated.

The agenda was rearranged

Notes received from the CMBC Tree Officer were discussed, **456 b)**

It was moved by Cllr Fenton

Seconded by Cllr Wood and

**RESOLVED:** to ask the CMBC Tree Officer that when considering the Amenity Value of Trees that in light of recent events the definition includes the 'carbon holding capacity' of the trees and the sequestration capacity being considered suitable reason to disqualify an application from approval. This concept should be considered as part of the Neighbourhood Plan and be considered for inclusion and possible adoption as a policy of the plan.

**451. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- a. Application 20/20007/TPO** in 12 Nest Lane, Mytholmroyd, HX7 5AZ for Fell one tree (Tree Preservation Order) (Caldene).

The council commented on the lack of information included in the application asking that the level of maturity of the replacing cherry trees should be indicated as well as the maturity of the proposed Sycamore to be felled.

- b. Application 20/20011/TPO** at Fox and Goose Inn, 9 Heptonstall Road, Hebden Bridge, HX7 6AZ for Tree management works (including pruning and felling) (Tree Preservation Order) (West End).

It was moved by Cllr Boggis

Seconded by Cllr Bampton Smith and

**RESOLVED: RECOMMEND REFUSAL** stating that a crown lift and thin should be viewed to be adequate. The loss of habitat, detriment effect on the stability of the banks and the reduced levels of water sequestration were cited as reasons for refusal.

- c. Application 20/00114/HSE** at 12 Colden Close, Hebden Bridge, HX7 6DY for Single storey extension to rear and dormer to front and rear (West End).

It was moved by Cllr Needham

Seconded by Cllr Bampton Smith and

**RESOLVED: RECOMMEND REFUSAL** with the comment that the rear extension and rear Dormer was acceptable but that the prominent front elevation would have a detrimental effect on the area and set a precedent for neighbouring properties.

Applications dealt with under delegation from Full Council.

- Application 20/20008/TPO at 12 Nest Lane Mytholmroyd Hebden Bridge Calderdale HX7 5AZ for Prune one tree (Tree Preservation Order).

**NO OBJECTION**

It was moved by Cllr Stow

Seconded by Cllr Boggis

**RESOLVED:** that the recommendations on the above planning applications are sent to the Environmental Services Department, Calderdale MBC. When the Chair or Deputy Chair cannot attend, Ward members be authorised to represent the view of Hebden Royd Town Council at meetings of the Planning Committee at Calderdale MBC.

**452. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED BY CALDERDALE MBC**

The Clerk reported on Planning Notices received from the Chief Town Planning Officer **GRANTING PERMISSION** to applications previously considered.

It was moved by Cllr Boggis

Seconded by Cllr Bampton Smith and

**RESOLVED:** to note the information with comment regarding the HRTC request not to fell a tree at Twist Clough and the failing flap valves as experienced in the Mytholmroyd Flood Alleviation Scheme during the flooding of the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

**453. CALDER VALLEY FLOODING**

The Town Council discussed the events of the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020, recounting experiences from the day and the aftermath. Council felt that at this time of adversity many individuals and groups need to be thanked for their endeavours, the Town Clerk was tasked to thank the following:

- CMBC Emergency Planning – both the Mytholmroyd and Hebden Bridge Hubs which had provide service beyond expectations with dedication from staff and volunteers alike on the day of the flood and beyond.
- Calder Valley Search & Rescue
- Healthy Minds Staff who were again on hand for all.
- The Emergency Services, Fire, Police and Ambulance along with the Armed Services who attended.
- The Environment Agency for being available when residents and businesses needed them.
- Yorkshire Water again for their support.
- Craig Whittaker MP
- The Co-op for their generosity
- The many volunteers who turned out, feed accommodated and showed what a genuine community we are fortunate to live in.
- Finally, the Flood Wardens of the valley who advised, assisted and worked so hard and without whom the challenges of the day would have been so much greater.

As the Town Council discussed the issues raised as a result of the flood it became clear that the Climate Emergency Committee were the best placed to focus the search for answers to the many questions raised. Consequently the Climate Emergency Committee were tasked with taking forward the following issues following on from the meeting of the Hebden Bridge Flood Alleviation Scheme Committee, as convened by the Environment Agency for the 26<sup>th</sup> February.

- Ensuring the warning system is effective, including sirens and social media, that these are clear, effective and understood by local people and that the level of threat is clearly communicated.

- That clear information for residents and businesses exist about the range of support that is available, practical, emotional and that appropriate co-ordination between the agencies exist.
- That we look to come together to help communities to recover following flooding and that resilience is increased for future storms. To aid post flood recovery and minimise any businesses that may be lost.
- That we discover what went wrong to allow a repetition of the flooding and the reasons for the delay in the funding of defences in Hebden Royd.
- Identify what are the plans now and how they can be accelerated with careful consideration for the sequencing of the works.
- How we can affect the upland areas in the Upper Calderdale Catchment area and encourage landowners and Yorkshire Water to holistically change the landscape to reduce the likelihood of flooding in the future.
- How we empower young and old to address the various causes of flooding.

Cllr Wood aired an opinion that, through experience, the area had become experts in mitigation and management of events of flooding and that consideration should be given to the area sharing its experiences and recording them for the future.

Cllr Patient advised that landowners on Walshaw Moor had made an initial move to discuss how they could adapt and encourage resilience.

Cllr Boggis spoke from experience and encouraged Hebden Bridge Councillors to keep on top of any scheme that may be introduced to Hebden Bridge, they must ensure the Town gets what it needs. Cllr Wood felt that continuity of staff was key in this and the regular change of project management in Mytholmroyd had not helped.

It was moved by Cllr Needham

Seconded by Cllr Young and

**RESOLVED:** to pass issues to the Climate Emergency Committee.

**454. HRTC & HBPH PAYMENT & RECEIPT SCHEDULE**

It was moved by Cllr Fenton

Seconded by Cllr Bampton Smith and

**RESOLVED:** to note items of information and to authorise payments totalling £29,650.56 however withholding payment to Calderdale MBC until meetings have been scheduled regarding Festive Lighting and the lights on the Marina are fully operational.

**455. HRTC STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT**

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Bampton Smith and

**RESOLVED:** that the Statement of Account up to end January 2020 is a true and accurate record.

**456. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE TOWN MAYOR AND THE CLERK.**

a) Austen Warne

Resignation

b) Calderdale MBC Tree Officer	Tree Planning Application Protocol.
c) Calderdale MBC	Caldene Avenue Closure
d) Calderdale MBC	Station Car Park Openings
e) James Wilthew – Afghan Rug Shop	Living Wage Town
f) Yorkshire Internal Audit	Interim Audit
g) WY Police & Crime Commissioner	Violence Reduction Unit
h) WY Police & Crime Commissioner	Newsletter Feb 20
i) Hebden Royd Junior School	Petition.
j) WYCA	Halifax Bus Station
k) Calderdale MBC	Mytholm Steeps Traffic Review
l) Slow the Flow	Opportunity Mapping draft report
m) YLCA	White Rose Update Jan 20
n) YLCA	White Rose Update Feb 20
o) Stubb Field Association	Thanks & Annual Report
p) Treeresponsibility	Newsletter Jan 2020

It was moved by Cllr Fenton

Seconded by Cllr Young and

**RESOLVED:** in respect of item:

- a) Note and place a notice of vacancy.
- e) Continue to support and promote the Living Wage with the Town Mayor to meet to discuss.
- i) Pass to Calderdale MBC Highways and encourage the school to contact them direct.
- j) Cllr Wood felt the design was poor, the Clerk advised that he had contacted Andrew Pitts asking again why HRTC had not been invited directly to consult on the issue.
- k) Cllr Young welcomed the scheme which had been delayed unduly and not in its complete form.
- l) The Clerk confirmed that Slow the Flow had been invited to the Annual Town Meeting.

**457. MAYOR & DEPUTY MAYOR 2020/21**

It was moved by Cllr Needham

Seconded by Cllr Young and

**RESOLVED:** that the post of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the Council Year 2020/21 and recommend to the Annual Meeting be Cllr Val Stevens as Town Mayor and Cllr Rob Freeth as Deputy Mayor.

**458. MAYOR'S REPORT/DEPUTY MAYOR'S REPORT**

It was moved by Cllr Stow

Seconded by Cllr Young and

**RESOLVED:** to receive and note the activities of the Mayor particularly the successful coffee morning where £270 was raised. The Mayor confirmed that the Carnival Film would be screen as part of the Centenary Celebrations at the Picture House in 2021.

**459. MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL held 29<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2020**

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Stow and

**RESOLVED:** to accept the minutes and approve as a correct record. Cllr Guilfoyle aired a desire to consider the deemed consents given to utility companies as set down in law and how they can be slackened to allow local people to have an influence on them.

**460. MINUTES OF THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE held 27<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2020**

It was moved by Cllr Patient

Seconded by Cllr Boggis and

**RESOLVED:** to consider the minutes, endorse recommendations therein and approve as a correct record.

**461. MINUTES OF THE PICTURE HOUSE COMMITTEE held 3<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2020.**

It was moved by Cllr Wood

Seconded by Cllr Stow and

**RESOLVED:** to receive the minutes for information.

The Town Clerk advised the meeting of the Picture Houses position after the floods, Cllr Needham aired the need to be aware of financial concerns and the jeopardy of slowing trade and encouraged all to use the Picture House, which is open, comfortable and eager to welcome visitors.

**462. MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY FUNDING COMMITTEE held 10<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

It was moved by Cllr Fenton

Seconded by Cllr Young and

**RESOLVED:** to receive minutes for information.

Note: Standing Orders were suspended.

**463. MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY FUNDING COMMITTEE held 17<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

It was moved by Cllr Fenton

Seconded by Cllr Young and

**RESOLVED:** to receive minutes for information and to endorse the request to provide an additional £569.00 from reserves to meet the requests heard by the committee.

**464. REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

No reports were received.

Meeting finished at 9.32pm.

**Payment and Receipt  
Schedule**

Full Council  
19th February 2020

**Hebden Royd Town Council**

Item no:	Payee	Details	Amount	Cost Centre	Payment Method
	Accounts to be Paid				
a	Calderdale MBC	Christmas Lighting	2,628.42	Christmas Lighting	BACS
b	Calderdale MBC	Marina Lighting	4,000.00	Env, Allot & Events	BACS
c	Carolynne Warren	Accounts Support	325.00	Accounts	BACS
d	Yorkshire Internal Audit	Internal Audit	315.00	Office	BACS
e	YLCA	Spring Conference	240.00	Training	BACS
f	Waterlogic	Water Supply	15.41	Office	BACS
g	Euro Digital	Photocopier	23.88	Office	BACS
h	BNP Paribas	Photocopier	1,130.40	Office	DD
			<u>8,678.11</u>		

**Hebden Bridge Picture House**

Item no:	Payee	Details	Amount	Cost Centre	Payment Method
	Accounts to be Paid				
a	Artificial Eye	Film Royalties	138.60	Royalties	BACS
b	BFI	Film Royalties	494.55	Royalties	BACS
c	BFI	Film Royalties	120.00	Royalties	BACS
d	BFI	Film Royalties	120.00	Royalties	BACS
e	Dogwoof	Film Royalties	120.00	Royalties	BACS
f	Eone	Film Royalties	2,973.60	Royalties	BACS
g	ICO	Film Royalties	121.20	Royalties	BACS
h	Kaleidoscope	Film Royalties	120.00	Royalties	BACS
i	Slackjaw Film	Film Royalties	545.80	Royalties	BACS
j	Walt Disney	Film Royalties	510.12	Royalties	BACS
k	Walt Disney	Film Royalties	295.00	Royalties	BACS
l	Walt Disney	Film Royalties	1,061.54	Royalties	BACS
m	Walt Disney	Film Royalties	1,847.20	Royalties	BACS
n	National Theatre	Streaming	1,577.40	Streaming	BACS
o	Lisa Murdoch	Brochure Design	250.00	Brochure	BACS
p	Showsec	SIA Staff	173.47	Security	BACS
q	Empire Popcorn	Popcorn	141.52	Kiosk	BACS
r	Joseph Dobson	Kiosk	133.72	Kiosk	BACS
s	Suma	Kiosk	286.79	Kiosk	BACS
t	Suma	Kiosk	284.22	Kiosk	BACS
u	Suma	Kiosk	291.81	Kiosk	BACS
v	Total Foodservice	Kiosk	77.86	Kiosk	BACS
w	Total Foodservice	Kiosk	103.82	Kiosk	BACS
x	Towngate Tearooms	Kiosk	163.20	Kiosk	BACS
y	Towngate Tearooms	Kiosk	163.20	Kiosk	BACS
z	Turner & Wrights	Kiosk	345.36	Kiosk	BACS
aa	Yorkshire Crisps	Kiosk	125.57	Kiosk	BACS
bb	Empire Brewery	Kiosk	129.60	Kiosk	BACS
cc	Matthew Clarke	Kiosk	1,152.84	Kiosk	BACS

dd	Vocation Brewery	Kiosk	199.20	Kiosk	BACS
ee	Vocation Brewery	Kiosk	181.80	Kiosk	BACS
ff	Viking	Office Supplies	70.45	Office Cleaning	BACS
gg	YPO	Cleaning Equipment	13.82	Equipment Cleaning	BACS
hh	Elis	Cleaning Equipment Water Hygiene	84.12	Equipment	BACS
ii	WCS Group	Contract	127.31	Buildings Maint.	BACS
jj	Zip Hydrocare	Water Boiler	196.56	Buildings Maint.	BACS
kk	Paul Ashton	Electrical Works	2,918.88	Buildings Maint.	BACS
ll	Clifford Cooper	Boiler Service	489.60	Buildings Maint.	BACS
mm	SSE	Gas	976.06	Utilities	BACS
nn	SSE	Gas	1,017.42	Utilities	BACS
oo	SSE	Electricity	603.15	Utilities	BACS
pp	Neopost	Franking	151.38	Office	BACS
qq	Cloud 9	Internet	74.71	Internet	DD
			<u>20,972.45</u>		



