

BAMPTON TOWN COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE ALBERT FOWLER ROOM, THE RIVERSIDE HALL ON TUESDAY 4TH JANUARY, 2011

Ann Guilfoyle, Town Clerk

Sunday, 09 January 2011

PUBLIC SESSION No members of the public present

REPORT FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS Councillor Stanley informed the Meeting that a 16% cut in funding is proposed. He stated that the £3m reserve is necessary particularly in view of the proposed 12% cut in funding next year. Cllr. Hicks asked Cllrs. Stanley to find out why the letter of 13th October to MDDC Planning in connection with the delay in considering a planning application has not been answered. Cllr. Stanley confirmed that the application for a Bat Roost on the Old School Site has been called in and he would let us know when the relevant planning meeting will take place.

REPORT FROM PC DAVE PARR - Thefts of heating oil and break in of sheds/garages were reported. PC Parr was unaware of the burglary at Bawdens.

MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Item 1– Members Present – Cllrs. Knagg (Chairman), Compton, Fagg, Hartley, Hicks, Moore, Stoner. MDDC Cllr. Ray Stanley, Ann Guilfoyle (Town Clerk)

Item 2– Apologies – Cllr. West and Colthorpe (Both unwell)

Item 3– Declarations of Interest - none

Item 4 – Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th December, 2010 were presented Approved

Item 5 – Matters arising from these Minutes not covered elsewhere

i) Parish Plan – Meeting of the Steering Group to take place on 12th January

ii) Overgrown conifers in Barnhay – Cllr. Stanley will follow up this matter

iii) Bus Stop Markings in Brook Street reply from Paul Wilson DCC – it was agreed to reply that the shopkeepers and residents involved were spurred on to present the council with their objections by the arrival of the white lining crew. Clerk

iv) Toilets in Station Road Car Park – It was agreed to send an apology to the cleaner for the misunderstanding which occurred at the last Meeting. Clerk

Item 6 – Planning

Applications Received

10/01640/FULL – Retention of log cabin for holiday let – Wonham Heights, - Approved

10/01747/FULL – Variation of Condition 3– Wonham Heights Approved

Item 7 – Finance

a. Precept for 2011/12 – Cllr. Knagg proposed that BTC should retain the precept request as last year with no increase. The motion was seconded by Cllr. Hicks and unanimously approved.

b. Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act – Further Letters from Mr. Pitt and Mr. Bennett were discussed

c. Cheques for payment

509	Filmbank (Riv.Hall Refund)	109.28
510	Spot On Supplies	124.91
511	Clerks Salary & Expenses, December	581.51
512	Bampton PCC - Cemetery Grant	210.00

d. Receipts and Payments for December

Balance b/fwd.			7327.87
Receipts –			
	BFC Rent	400.00	
	MDDC Cemetery Grant	<u>210.00</u>	<u>610.00</u>
			7937.87
Payments -			
	MDDC Rates	74.00	
	Clerk Salary & Exes November	1217.72	
	M Morgan Toilets November	300.00	
	RBL Wreath	18.50	
	Five Star Sec. Services	99.88	
	Exmoor Luxury Loos	423.00	

Ashfords	177.54	
T. Knagg – BF Token	29.38	
St. John Ambulance	352.50	2692.52
Balance c/fwd.		5245.35
e. Bank Balances –		
HSBC –BTC	£5,245.35	
CSG	£61. 71	
Scottish Widows	£20,681.98	

f. Key Fund Account – No further progress at present. An AGM needs to be set up. LM

Item 8 – REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES

1. Riverside Hall –Plumbing repair work has been carried out. Two meetings are planned
Paul Tucker is assisting in making a Lottery Bid to fund a feasibility study.
2. Millennium Green
Trustees – A public Meeting will take place on 8th January as part of the process to enable BTC to act as Trustees
3. Station Road Playground – A quote for tarmac work is awaited along with confirmation of available funding from Dave Scott, MDCC LH/LM
4. Bampton Fair Working Group –
 - a) Copy of letter of thanks from Alan Woolley to helpers
 - b) Tender for Contract for Fairground – Clerk to seek guidance on contract Clerk
 - c) Distribution of Tolls for 2010 – applications to be invited. Clerk
5. Emergency Planning - Volunteers are needed. Cllr. Knagg to write a paragraph for the next Newsletter. TK

Item 9 – Town Council Elections – 5th May, 2011. Posters and information to be distributed Clerk
Prospective District Councillor evening - Meeting at Phoenix House, Tiverton on 31st January

Item 10 – Salt Spreaders – More information to be obtained from Kevin Balding DCC Clerk

Item 11 - Closure of Care Village – Some ex-residents will be moving to Bampton

Item 12 - Water supply to Old Lock Up – Cllr. Hicks gave details of the current situation of Bampton Floral Town and future requirements if it is to continue. She proposed that Bampton should remain a Floral Town, seconded by Cllr. Knagg and the motion was accepted in principle Agreed

Item 13 – Cemetery – Cllr. Hicks reminded the Council that no decision has yet been made about provision of burial places when the current churchyard becomes full. It was agreed to discuss this next month

Item 14 – Bampton Floral Town – covered under Item 12

Item 15 - MDCC Landscape Character Assessment Workshop- Cllr. Fagg will attend on behalf of BTC

Item 16 – 398 Bus Route – No definite decisions on changes have yet been made. It was agreed to ask DCC to keep BTC informed. Clerk

Item 17 - Items for Newsletter -

Cemetery Emergency Planning Volunteers Bampton Fair Tolls Elections

Item 18 - Correspondence – available in circulation file

E mail from MDCC re Waste Collection Confirmation letter re Part-Night Street Lighting

Letter from Andrew Moore re housing targets Letter from Mr Pitt raising several points

Letter from Mr. Bennett re Bampton Fair accounts Invitation to Town and Parish Council Open Day

Item 19 – Items to be discussed at next Meeting - Cemetery Bampton Fair Tolls

Item 20 – Date of next Meeting – 1st February, 2011 Meeting Closed 9pm

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