

# CROWLE TOWN COUNCIL

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MINUTES of a meeting of the Council held at Crowle Community Hub on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2010

PRESENT. Cllr N Culpin, Mayor, presiding

Cllr:	B Duffield	P Vernum	N Arrand	I Mason	M Bailey
	R Stewart	J Reed	H S Osborne	T Barker	J R Smith

APOLOGIES for absence were received from Cllr: G Da Costa – Other Commitments  
K Holgate – Other Commitments  
F J Rhodes – Other Commitments  
C Stewart – Other Commitments

NON-ATTENDANCE from the following Cllr's:

## 177/10. DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

The following Councillors declared an interest in the agenda items listed:

Cllr T Barker – Agenda item 8 – Planning Applications

Cllr M Bailey – Agenda item 9(b) – North Axholme School – Youngsters Trip to America

## 178/10. PUBLIC FORUM

Members of CRAG – Concerns were raised in relation to the current development of the Market Place, they asked if the work will overrun the completion time, and stated that the available parking spaces are currently being taken up by work staff. They raised concerns in relation to the loss of earnings for the local businesses that have been affected by the work. They were also concerned about the lack of general knowledge of what is happening, the bricks being used are not in keeping with the surrounding area, what will be happening in phase 2, it was stated that the only information received is from the local press which is not always correct. The question of why half the cenotaph wall has been taken down was also asked.

## 179/10. TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The mayor reported that he had no announcements to report this month.

## 180/10. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> March, copies here with, of which were previously circulated were taken as read.

Resolved: That the said minutes be approved and signed as a true record.

**181/10. MATTERS ARISING.****168/10 Correspondence – (g) Encroachments**

At a previous council meeting Cllr Barker stated that he would take this matter up with Ian Cawsey at his next surgery, Cllr Barker stated that Ian Cawsey is not currently the MP, once the elections have taken place and an MP is elected he will raise the matter with the new MP.

**Resolved:** Place on next months agenda

**169/10 Report from Outside Bodies****Friends of Ealand**

Cllr Reed reported that all the equipment is now fitted and the turf has been laid, however further issues have been raised, but Paul Hinds has agreed to re-instate the area to a satisfactory state, the contractors have agreed to cover the cost. An open day for all organisations who have been involved as well as residents will be arranged in due course.

**Manor Park**

Cllr R Stewart reported that they have now received confirmation that the council have been successful with the Playbuilder application and have been awarded £45,000.

**182/10. BID FOR COUNCIL OFFICE WITHIN MARKET PLACE DEVELOPMENT**

Jenny Couch attended the meeting to discuss the development within the Market Place; she stated that work is progressing well and that they cannot carry out this sort of scheme without some disruption. The 23 weeks contract will be met and everything will be off site before the 6<sup>th</sup> June. They are trying to make as many parking spaces as possible, once the work has finished the 2hr waiting restriction will apply to the car park adjacent to the market place, there will be disabled spaces within both parking areas. An official opening of the market place will be arranged. The possibility of having a council office within the new development, which would be accessible for the community and more of a communication centre for the whole of the community, was discussed.

Jenny passed round a map of the proposed building areas and reported that there will be five buildings with mixed use of office space, retail and residential. Discussions took place concerning the ground space for each building and the sale/rent price per sqm. Jenny asked if councillors had any questions.

Cllr Culpin stated that if the council took the opportunity of office space it would need to have a good disabled access and a room large enough for public meetings, also the option to let out the room to other organisations.

Cllr Bailey stated that the building will be built to accommodate the use, and will be in keeping with the town as it stands.

Cllr Venum asked if we would need to provide North Lincolnshire Council with a specification of the council's needs. Jenny stated that the council would need to set out the specification; they could also promote the site to developers.

Cllr Arrand asked how many residents will the buildings accommodate, and where will they park. Jenny stated that this has not been confirmed yet, but parking will be considered.

Cllr Duffield asked what the time scale was for the development of buildings. Jenny replied that they hope to start in the next two years, they are looking at funding, but she couldn't give a definite time scale.

Cllr Mason asked if anyone has applied previously for European funding. Jenny stated that the problem with European funding is meeting the criteria, you have to have a scheme of over 1 million pounds.

**182/10. BID FOR COUNCIL OFFICE WITHIN MARKET PLACE DEVELOPMENT**  
**CONT:**

Cllr Reed asked if the businesses that have expressed an interest were local businesses, Jenny replied that they were.

Cllr Duffield stated that the council need to find out the public interest before moving forward with this matter.

The mayor thanked Jenny for attending the meeting.

**Resolved:** Place on next month's agenda for further discussions.

**183/10. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING**

2010/0328 – Planning permission to remove condition 24 of planning application WF/2004/0092 dated 28/02/2008 (turbines not in use below wind Speed of 4 metres/sec) and vary condition 26 (to include wind Speeds below 4 metres/sec). – Land at Medge Hall, Crook O Moor Bridge, Medge Hall.

**Objections were raised on the following grounds: See Attached Letter**

2010/0314 – Planning permission to erect a two storey extension – 294 Wharf Road, Ealand

**No Observations:**

**The mayor made an executive decision to send No Observations for the following applications as the date of return ran out before the meeting.**

2010/0235 – Planning application to replace an extant planning permission (PA/2007/0427 dated 06/06/2007) to erect a detached house with Integral garage – Land adjacent 18 Justice Hall Lane, Crowle

**No Observations:**

2010/0288 – Planning permission for extension to school hall and improvements To access road – St Norbert's Roman Catholic School, Fieldside.

**No Observations:**

**Applications granted:**

2010/0125 - A minor material amendment to erect 1.8. higher timber close Boarded fence instead of brick wall granted planning permission Under reference 2009/1003 High Street, Johnson Lane, Marked Place, Crowle.

2010/0150 – Display a non-illuminated sign at 112 High Street, Crowle.

**184/10. CORRESPONDENCE**

**(a)ERNLLCA Newsletter**

Cllr Venum reported concerning the article on the Exhibition on Localism in Action and stated it would be interesting to attend.

**Resolved:** Any councillors who are interested in attending to let the clerk know and she will request more information.

**184/10. CORRESPONDENCE CONT:****(b)North Axholme School – Youngsters win trip to America**

Cllr R Stewart proposed that the council give a donation of £150 and request the two girls give the council a report and presentation of their trip when they return, Cllr Osborne second the proposal which was put to the vote and resulted 10 in favour and 1 abstained.

**Resolved:** The council agreed to donate £150 to the youngsters trip, inform North Axholme School and request a report and presentation of their return.

**(c)The Royal British Legion**

**Resolved:** To be noted:

**185/10. REPORT BACK FROM OUTSIDE BODIES****Friends of Ealand**

Cllr Reed reported that there have been issues relating to the ownership of the land at Ealand Park, affecting the funding process with the National Lottery for phase 3, these have now been resolved and they are pursuing them separately.

**NATS**

Issues have been raised stating that the Neighbourhood Action Teams should send reports back to the Town/Parish Councils.

**186/10. TOWN TWINNING**

Cllr R Stewart reported concerning twinning arrangements with another town/country, this may raise challenges and spread the council's wings abit, he suggested Tholen in the Netherlands as it mirrors our community. Discussions took place concerning this matter. Cllr R Stewart proposed the council research the advantages, Cllr Bailey second the proposal which was put to the vote and resulted 5 in favour, 5 against, the mayor had the casting vote and voted in favour.

**Resolved:** The town council will research the advantages of town twinning.

**187/10. BYE-LAW STREET CLEANLINESS**

Cllr R Stewart reported that the reply from North Lincolnshire Council confirms that the option of getting someone else to help with more resources for street cleaning is not going to happen. Businesses should be encouraged to keep their site clean and the community at large to be encouraged as well. We need to make more people aware of the state of the town, educating schools; residents and businesses will be more self steering than relying on the local authority.

Cllr Reed stated that the primary schools already encourage pupil's alot; however the message is lost when they move to secondary schools.

Discussions took place concerning purchasing a machine for street cleaning. Cllr Culpin proposed that a small working group be formed including school children and councillors to look at what we can do to improve the area as a whole, also look at the purchase of a machine, Cllr Bailey second the proposal which was put to the vote and resulted in a unanimous vote in favour, Cllr Barker agreed to be part of the working party.

**Resolved:** A working party will be formed to move this matter forward.

**188/10. ERNLLCA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

**Resolved:** It was unanimously agreed to re-new the ERNLLCA membership.

**189/10. THE CROWLE AND EALAND ARROW MAGAZINE**

Discussions took place concerning the council publishing their newsletter within the arrow magazine. Cllr Smith proposed the council publish the newsletter on a quarterly basis for a 12 month period, Cllr Reed second the proposal which was put to the vote and resulted in a unanimous vote in favour.

**Resolved:** Publish the council newsletter in the arrow magazine for a 12 month period, on a quarterly basis.

**190/10. CONTINUTATION OF CROOK O MOOR ROAD**

Cllr Duffield explained the background concerning this matter; Cllr Duffield has drafted a response to North Lincolnshire Council which was circulated to each councillor prior to the meeting. Cllr Barker stated that the wording of the last paragraph should be removed. Cllr Duffield withdrew the letter from the agenda and stated that it will not be sent, he will send it in his own right as a resident.

**Resolved:** The clerk will reply in writing to Colin Wilkinson.

**191/10. CEMETERY HOUSE BUDGET REPORT/RENTAL UPDATE**

The mayor stated he wished it to be noted that he would like to personally thank the councillors who project managed the refurbishment of the cemetery lodge, a very good job has been done and the work has now been completed.

It was reported that Grice & Hunter have already got a provisional tenant, the proposed rent will be £450 per calendar month, starting with a 6 month contract. Grice & Hunter are currently awaiting the final references for the proposed tenants. Issues such as the locking of the gates and security of the chapels will need to be incorporated into the tenancy agreement.

**191/10 (b) TENDER FOR GROUND MAINTENANCE**

The mayor reported that four tender documents were requested and sent out; only 1 tender was received by the closing date which was £7600.00 per annum and included all the necessary certificates.

**Resolved:** Paul Hinds was awarded the ground maintenance contract for 2010/2011.

**192/10. HIGHWAY, FOOTPATH & STREETLIGHTING MATTERS**

The following highway matters were raised:

1. Junction of Cross Street/North Street there is a large pot hole in the middle of the road which is causing problems.
2. There are 3 Street Lights not working onto the junction of Cross Slack/Hazel Avenue

**193/10. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

Cllr Arrand asked if the cemetery lodge is being rented out why is the council tax listed for payment; the clerk stated that when the payments list was sent she had not received confirmation from Grice & Hunter that they had a tenant in mind, the council tax payment of £1511.10 will be cancelled.

Cllr Arrand stated that at least 6 months council tax for the previous year could be re-claimed from North Lincolnshire Council as the lodge was un-occupied and a building site.

**Resolved:** The clerk was asked contact North Lincolnshire Council concerning the above matter.

Cllr Arrand asked why there were two payments for the photo copier, the clerk reported that one was for copy charges and the other was for the lease of the photo copier.

**Resolved:** The following accounts were authorised for payment:

Mr A Wallis	Allotments Land Rent	1000.00	1248
A Wilson	Cemetery House	40.00	1251
J Wright Joinery	Cemetery House	35.00	1252
North Lincs Council	Council Office Tax	1573.20	1253
J B Chafor & Son	Materials Purchased	158.79	1255
Copier Systems	Photo Copier	128.66	1256
P Hinds	Grass Cutting	691.00	1257
ERNLLCA	Standing Orders	28.50	1258

**Bacs Payments**

British Telecom	Office	44.52	
Yorkshire Water	Council Office	117.16	
Yorkshire Water	Cemetery	168.55	
CIT Vendor Finance	Photo Copier	256.07	
Concept Websites	Hosting Fee	23.00	

**Payments Received**

R Wallace	Burials	125.00	
North Lincolnshire Council	Community Led Plan Grant	2500.00	