

CROWLE TOWN COUNCIL

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MINUTES of a meeting of the Council held at Crowle Community Resource Centre on 11th March 2008

PRESENT. Cllr M Bailey, Town Mayor, presiding

Cllr: F J Rhodes J R Smith K Holgate R Stewart P Venum
C Stewart N Arrand N Culpin I Mason

APOLOGIES for absence were received from Cllr: I Tonge, T Barker, G DaCosta

187. PUBLIC FORUM

Resolved: No Public Speakers

188. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

The following Councillor's declared an interest in the agenda items listed:

Cllr P Venum: - Planning application 2008/0235

Cllr K Holgate: - Alan Rayment Donation

189. TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Mayor reported that he had been invited to attend the following functions:

1. Kirton-Lindsey Civic dinner
2. North Lincolnshire Mayor's Civic Dinner
3. Winterton Civic Dinner on the 18th April 2008

190. POLICE MATTERS.

Cllr R Stewart reported that he had attended the Sheffield session of the Cabinet Office & Crime Communities Review held on the 4th March 2008, a full report will be issued in the near future.

191. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 12th February 2008, copies here with, of which were previously circulated were taken as read, which included the Emergency Plan meeting.

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

192. MATTERS ARISING.

168. CCTV System

Cllr N Culpin asked what the situation concerning the above was; Cllr M Bailey stated that a report from Jackie Wass would be discussed in closed council.

192. MATTERS ARISING CONT:**180. St Oswald's Church**

It was reported that a letter has been sent to St Oswald's Church, but at this present time no reply has been received.

193. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING

2008/0235 – Planning permission to carry out first floor extension to provide additional Accommodation and remove existing rear dormer – 11 Church Street, Crowle

No Observations:

2008/0246 – Planning permission to erect a 2-storey side extension (including the removal Of existing garage) – 32 Mill Road, Crowle.

No Observations:

2008/0261 – Planning permission to change the use of a shop to a dwelling – 3 High Street, Crowle.

No Observations:

2008/280 – Planning permission to erect a 2-storey rear extension – 250 Wharf Road, Crowle.

No Observations:

Applications Refused:

2007/1495 – Residential development (external appearance not reserved for subsequent Approval) land at junction of High Street/Godnow Road, Crowle.

2007/1939 – Erect a detached house and garage at land adjacent 4 Commonside, Crowle.

2007/1804 – Retain a temporary dwelling (mobile home) in connection with the business Of wholesale nursery at Mobile Home, Violet Hill Nurseries, Eastoft Road, Crowle.

Applications for Appeal:

2007/1623 – Outline planning permission to erect a 2-storey dwelling – 24 Cross Street, Crowle.

194. REFERENDUM FOR EUROPE

Cllr N Arrand reported that Gordon Brown has refused a Referendum, every household pays £400 a year to the EU and we only get £140 back. Cllr N Arrand went on to discuss various areas that would supersede and that 70% of the population wants a referendum. Cllr N Arrand proposed that the town council hold a referendum at any cost.

Cllr M Bailey reported concerning a letter sent to the council by Mike Wood from North Lincolnshire Council, which he read out to the council.

Cllr R Stewart stated that he was interested in this matter at first, but things move on, it may be unlawful. He explained that a vote was taken in the House of Commons concerning this matter and a majority of them voted against it.

Cllr F J Rhodes stated that Gordon Brown has only done as those have done that he has proceeded. Cllr N Culpin reported that Crowle Town Council don't sit here as a political party, we are here to support the Parish, and the financial costs are too high.

Cllr N Culpin proposed that the town council do not hold a referendum, Cllr F J Rhodes second the proposal which was put to the vote and resulted, 9 in favour, 1 against.

Resolved: The council will not hold a referendum.

195. ST OSWALD'S CHURCH

It was reported that no cheque or correspondence has been sent back to the council to date, it was agreed that this matter be deferred until next month.

Resolved: Place on next month's agenda

196. SIMON DRIVER

Cllr N Arrand reported that numerous letters have been sent to Mr Driver which he has not replied to and proposed that the council report him to the ombudsman. Cllr R Stewart stated that he has also written to Mr Driver concerning another matter, and did eventually receive a reply.

It was stated that Mr Driver is required to reply to the council, it was proposed that we write to Mr Driver once more, also send a copy of the letter to the Mayor of North Lincolnshire Council and both Ward Councillors. Should the council still not receive a reply they will then look to other bodies as to what action to take?

197. ALAN RAYMENT - DONATION

Mr Alan Rayment has written to the council asking if they would support him in his latest venture, a hand-cycle from Lands End to John O' Groats.

Cllr N Arrand proposed that the council make a donation of £100. Cllr C Stewart second the proposal this was put to the vote and resulted in 9 in favour, 1 abstained.

Resolved: Write to Alan Rayment of the council's decision.

198. CALOR VILLAGE OF THE YEAR

Cllr M Bailey reported concerning this matter, and stated that he has witnessed previous awards that have been given. Cllr N Arrand reported that it is a worthy status to have as a village. Cllr F J Rhodes proposed that the council enter, Cllr I Mason second the proposal which was put to the vote and resulted in a unanimous vote for the proposal.

Resolved: The clerk to send the entry form.

199. REPORT FROM PARISH PLAN & QUALITY COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE

Cllr M Bailey went through the minutes of the meeting that was held by the sub-committee. Cllr R Stewart informed the council concerning the criteria for becoming a Quality Council, stating that the clerk would need to obtain a certificate for Local Council Administration Accountability. It was reported that the council may need to put together small sub-committees at the next Annual Meeting.

Cllr P Venum reported that youth facilities in Crowle and Ealand were discussed but there were not on the minutes. It was stated that the committee talked about getting some expert help concerning filling out applications. The clerk reported that the criteria will change after the 30th June for Quality Council.

Resolved: To be noted, another meeting of the sub-committee was arranged for the 27th March 2008.

200. CROWLE COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

Cllr M Bailey read out a letter sent to the council by the Resource Management Committee, offering a space for the council in the Resource Centre, Cllr N Arrand stated that it would be much safer for the clerk.

Cllr F J Rhodes reported that they would not be offering the space free of charge, we would become tenants of some description and the facilities they were offering were not specified in the letter. He reported that the council funded part of the building at the beginning, and in return the council received free use of the meeting room. Residents know where that council office is now; we do have parking facilities there. Cllr F J Rhodes reported that it would be a real folly to sell the office and become a tenant with no say in access etc, and move the council's own facilities after the time it has taken to establish it. Cllr N Arrand proposed that the council stay in their own building, Cllr F J Rhodes second the proposal this was put to the vote which resulted in 9 in favour, 1 abstained.

Resolved: Write to the Resource Management Committee informing them of the council's decision.

201. METHODIST CHURCH

The Methodist Church has written to the council asking for financial assistance, Cllr M Bailey went through the proposal. It was reported that the council always consider Parish projects but this is a capital project.

Cllr F J Rhodes proposed that no donation be made at this present time, Cllr N Arrand second the proposal which was put to the vote and resulted 2 against, 1 abstained and 7 in favour.

Resolved: Write to Methodist Church informing them of the council's decision.

202. ERNLLCA

Resolved: Any Councillor wishing to attend the training days to let the clerk know and the council will pay for them to attend and expenses.

203. LINCOLN & LINDSEY BLIND SOCIETY

The Lindsey Blind Society has written to the council for financial assistance. Cllr F J Rhodes proposed that no donation be given at this present time, Cllr N Arrand second the proposal which was put to the vote and resulted in 1 against, 1 abstained and 8 in favour.

Resolved: Write to the Lincoln Lindsey Blind Society informing them of the council's decision.

204. TRACK ACROSS LOVERS GROUND BETWEEN CROOK O' MOOR ROAD & MARSH ROAD

North Lincolnshire Council has written to the council concerning the above, asking if they agree it is a private right of way. Cllr F J Rhodes suggested that the council write back stating that the council agree it is a public right of way and always has been. Cllr N Arrand proposed that the council write back to North Lincolnshire Council stating the above, Cllr F J Rhodes second the proposal, which was put to the vote and resulted 9 in favour, 1 abstained.

Resolved: Write to North Lincolnshire Council informing them of the above.

205. CEMETERY CHAPELS

Cllr F J Rhodes reported concerning the survey of the chapels which has been carried out by Howard Wroot, the survey backs what the council thought. Cllr F J Rhodes stated that once the next financial year begins they will get together and put a plan together, but the main issue will be the re-wiring. Cllr Rhodes will put a project plan together, along with provisions for storage for next month's meeting.

Resolved: Put on next month's agenda.

206. PLANNING IMPLICATIONS: SEBSEQUENTIAL TESTING CONSEQUENT TO FLOOD ASSESSMENTS

Cllr R Stewart reported that the above has come about after looking over some literature attached to a planning application. It was reported that no objections were raised concerning the planning application due to sequential testing. Cllr R Stewart asked if the council would agree to write to North Lincolnshire Council planning to get clarification as to the meaning of sequential testing concerning flooding risks, the council agreed to the above.

207. QUOTE FOR SPRAYING

It was reported that this matter has been discussed by the council on many occasions; any spraying needs to be done as soon as possible. The council have received a quote from P Hinds for the work to be carried out. Cllr M Bailey has had a site visit with Mr Hinds. Cllr M Bailey asked if the council agreed for the work to be carried out. Cllr N Culpin stated that the council need to get a copy of his Health & Safety & Waste Disposal certificate. Cllr N Culpin proposed that the council accept the quote, but the council will inform him of when the first application should be done, Cllr N Arrand second the proposal.

Resolved: All councils agreed the proposal.

208. HIGHWAY, FOOTPATH & STREETLIGHTING MATTERS

The following highway matters were raised:

1. The grate outside the Balti House is still blocked with fat & mud.
2. General state of street drainage – many are blocked.
3. Street Lighting on Cross Slack/Hazel Avenue lights not staying on.

209. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were authorised for payment:

972	Inland Revenue	241.10
973	ADDPlant	101.17
974	Leyland Garage	39.84
975	J B Chafor	130.03

Bacs Payments

British Telecom	64.31
British Telecom	47.63

209. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT CONT:**Bacs Payments**

Yorkshire Water	7.33
Yorkshire water	5.37
Public Loans Board	3886.17

Payments Received

Inland Revenue	2816.20
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