

BRIDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council meeting

held on 9th February 2005

in the Council Chamber

Bridlington Town Hall

Present: Councillors Mrs C Allerston, R Allerston, Mrs M Chadwick, M Charlesworth, D Grange,

R Harrap (presiding), C Marsburg, L Taylor and J Wilkinson.

C Smith, Clerk to the Council, recorded the minutes.

Section A

244. Formal opening by the Mayor:

Councillor Harrap welcomed the members, two members of the media and four members of the public.

245. Apologies for absence:

Councillors R Adamson (holiday), Mrs D Clark (conference) and Mrs W Taylor (illness)

The Mayor remarked that Councillor Mrs W Taylor had been taken ill while on holiday and he asked Councillor L Taylor to convey the Council's best wishes for a speedy recovery. The Clerk was requested to send Councillor Mrs Taylor a get-well card.

246. Code of Conduct declarations of interest in items on the agenda:

F&GP 26/01/05 Min. 11 – Councillors Mrs M Chadwick and D Grange

(members of the Skatepark Steering Group)

247. Civic Duties:

Councillor Harrap stated that the most poignant duty during the past month had been the tree planting in memory of Councillor Kenneth Hodgson, a former Mayor of Bridlington, which a

number of members had attended. He added that the tree is a fitting tribute to one of the founders of the Council.

- Jan 21 Car parking charges peaceful protest (Bridlington Hospital)
- 25 Chair Scales presentation (Bridlington Hospital)
- 26 Priory View Special Pool Team – grant presentation
- 27 Holocaust Remembrance Service (War Memorial)
- 28 Councillor Kenneth Hodgson – memorial tree planting
- 29 Hotel & Guest House Association Dinner (Balmoral Hotel)
- Feb 6 Great Gale Service (The Priory)

248. Public Participation:

There were no contributions from the public.

249. Minutes of the Council meeting held on 19th January 2005:

Resolved:

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 19th January 2005 are approved as a true record.

250. Matters arising from the minutes which are not on the agenda (for information only):

Min. 228 ERYC is awaiting a price for the demolition of the Bessingby Gate brick bus shelter.

Min. 232 The Clerk advised the members that the Council does not have the powers to offer an Honorary Freedom of Bridlington. However, if the wording were to be amended to include the word 'Entry' with any costs incurred under s137 of the LGA 1972, the award would fall within the Council's powers.

Resolved:

That in recognition of their work, the Council confer upon the Royal Navy Association, the Rights, Privilege and Honour of the Freedom of Entry to Bridlington.

251. Minutes of the Planning, Licensing and Environmental Committee held on 24th January 2005:

Resolved:

The minutes of the Planning, Licensing and Environmental Committee held on 24th January 2005 are received.

252. Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 26th January 2005:

- Min. 3 Councillor Grange was assured that the Parish & Town Council Charter and the Bridlington Town Renaissance Charter do not conflict;
- Min. 4 Councillor Wilkinson was assured that ERYC grants towards the provision of bus shelters have in the past included an element towards future maintenance costs;
- Min. 5 Councillor Charlesworth requested a copy of the officer's Parish Review report to the ERYC Cabinet;
- Min. 6 The Clerk confirmed that the builder had agreed to issue a credit for the additional work invoiced but not included within the original estimate of the cost of modifications to the administration office;
- Min. 10 The Clerk circulated a response from the Charity Commissioners on the issue of the Springfield Convalescent Home that was self-explanatory;
- Min. 11 Councillor Grange advised the members that the situation regarding the financial position of the Skatepark Steering Group was worse than anticipated and that the project may be up to £100,000 short of its target. Councillor Grange stated that there was a real danger of the Steering Group disbanding if the project could not be brought to fruition this year. Councillor Mrs Chadwick agreed with Councillor Grange's comments and urged the East Riding of Yorkshire Council to get behind the project. Councillor Wilkinson was advised that the Bridlington Regeneration Partnership had offered some funding.

At this juncture the Council voted to suspend its Standing Orders to discuss the possibility of re-visiting the Council's 2005/06 Precept.

A discussion ensued and with no motion being resolved the Council voted to re-instate its Standing Orders.

Resolved:

To allocate, if necessary, an additional sum of £20,000 to the Bridlington Skatepark project from balances and prudent budgeting.

Resolved:

The minutes of the Finance and General Purposes held on 26th January 2005 are confirmed.

253. Correspondence:

Humber & Wolds Rural Community Council – Rural Services Trends
Questionnaire 2004

Yorkshire Rural Community Council – Parish Government Conference 25-27
February 2005-02-02 Umbrella newsletter

Humber Playing Fields Association newsletter

- Jan 6 ERYC – advertising boards and shop displays on the public highway
- 19 ERYC – Play Area Annual Inspection
- 26 Post Office – confirmation of branch closure dates
- 27 Bridlington Special Pool Support Group – letter of thanks
- Feb 3 Dock Lane Properties – former Methodist Chapel organ

Resolved:

To write to thank Dock Lane Properties for their sympathetic handling of the former chapel's organ.

- 9 Scarborough & North East Yorkshire Healthcare NHS Trust – press release re: parking charges
- 9 Chamber of Trade – marina rally on the South Beach

Resolved:

Council agrees to the Mayor attending the marina rally 12/02/05 wearing his chains of office.

254. Minutes of the Town Centre/Built Environment Forum held on 12th January 2005:

Resolved:

The minutes are received.

255. Minutes of the Skatepark Steering Group held on 13th January 2005

Resolved:

The minutes are received.

256. Correspondence (20.01.05) from the Sewerby Residents' Association:

Resolved:

- i) To install a flagpole in the village of Sewerby as part of the Sea Britain 2005 celebrations;
- ii) In order to improve communications between the Sewerby Residents' Association and the Council, the Association be requested to advise their ward members in writing of the dates of their meetings.

257. Invitation to attend the Rural Partnership Conference 4th March 2005:

Resolved:

Councillor Harrap will be attending the conference and therefore the Council will be represented.

258. Bank Mandate:

Resolved:

All members are authorised to sign the HSBC bank mandate.

259. Membership of ERNLLCA:

Resolved:

To defer pending the receipt of information.

260. Direct Access to NALC:

Resolved:

To defer pending the receipt of information.

261. Feral Pigeon Population:

Councillor Grange addressed the issue of the resident feral pigeon population in Bridlington's town centre.

Resolved:

To write to the principal authority requesting that it investigates and consults on possible *resolutions to control the resident feral pigeon population in Bridlington's town centre.*

262. East Riding Community Advice and Legal Services Partnership and Advice Providers Group "Awareness Raising Event" on 9th March 2005:

Resolved:

Not to send a representative.

263. Accounts for payment:

Cheque No. Account	Payee	Amount	Description of
BACS Salaries	Personnel	2,762.01	January
100842 Seminar	Yorks & Humber Regional Training P'ship	30.00	F.O.I.
100843 1903	K White	28.50	Council Archive circa
100844 Cleaning	Bridlington Community Partnership Office	149.96	Lease &
100845 Stationery	Bridlington Stationers	86.41	
100846 Lease	Xerox	237.16	Photocopier
100847 Refreshments	ERYC	26.25	Committee
100848 Shields	G K Beulah	813.39	Council Wall
100849 Allocation	SEM Marketing	45.00	Britain In Bloom Badge
100850 Internet	BT	105.71	
100851 Expenses	C Smith	67.60	Travelling

Resolved:

The accounts are approved for payment.

264. Items for the next agenda;

Traffic calming measures on St John's Avenue.

**Signed: Councillor C R Harrap
March 2005**

Date: 9th

Mayor of Bridlington

