



## **BRIDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**

Established: May 2000

**Mayor – Councillor Terry Dixon**

### **Minutes (subject to confirmation) of the PARISH MEETING held on 7th May 2014 in the Resource Centre, Victoria Road, Bridlington**

**Present:** Councillors R Allerston, J Carder, J Copsey, T Dixon (presided), S Finlay, J Foster, C Marsburg & M Milns a total of eight present (8).  
Two (2) local electors were in attendance.  
Mrs King recorded the minutes.

#### **1. Welcome by the Mayor:**

Councillor T Dixon welcomed everyone to the Parish Meeting.

#### **2. Apologies for absence:**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors Chambers, Charlesworth & Dealtry.

#### **3. Declarations of Interest:**

a) To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in report of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

**RESOLVED:** *There were none.*

b) To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below.

**RESOLVED:** *There were none.*

#### **4. Approval of the minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 1st May 2013:**

Minutes of the Parish Meeting were available at the meeting.

**RESOLVED:** *The minutes of the Parish Meeting were approved as a true record.*

#### **5. Actions taken and matters arising:**

All matters arising have been actioned.

#### **6. Questions received in writing:**

There were four topics received from Mr Felton:

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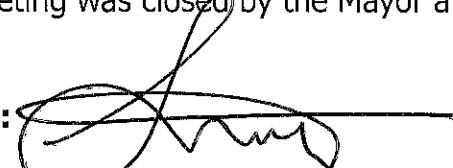
- a. Small Grants Awards – Mr Felton wanted to know when the Town Council's precept was so large why only a very small proportion was given to local organisations in small grants. Mr Felton was informed that the actual figure given to organisations was actually twice the amount he thought as they were considered and awarded biannually. Mr Felton was also informed that the budget for small grants this year had increased and that there was money there was a residue.
- b. Skate park costs – Mr Felton wanted to know why the Town Council gives so much money to the Skatepark when the Skate Club members do not appear to fundraise for themselves like other clubs do in Bridlington. The Mayor informed Mr Felton that the Town Council have a duty to maintain with it being a facility that they built and that the Town Council are not responsible for other clubs in the town. Mrs King shared that many clubs of Bridlington obtain small grants from the Town Council. Councillors Milns, Finlay & Marsburg shared that this is a facility that is very well used and that they are personally proud to be able to provide such a facility to the Town. Mr Felton informed that trying to find any information regarding the figures was very difficult and Mrs King assured Mr Felton that he only had to ask and any information would be made available to him.
- c. CCTV Marshall Avenue – Mr Felton wanted to know why the Town Council are going ahead with this CCTV installation when it was clear that many on the Finance Committee had voted against it and that only when it was brought to Full Council that it went ahead. Mr Felton enquired about the costings. The Mayor informed that it will be £15,000 for the installation. The on-going costs are hoped to be incorporated into Special Expenses in the longer term.
- d. Cost of an election following a resignation – Mr Felton enquired if the Council could not have just continued without the input of a councillor for the next 12 months to avoid the elections costs. Mrs King explained that there is a six-month rule which make this impossible. Mr Felton explained that it was not a personal question simply one that would avoid extra costs and that he understood that the calling for an election was out of the Town Councils jurisdiction. The Mayor informed Mr Felton that the Council did not want an election and are as disappointed as he is with the matter. Mrs King informed that a timetable is awaited but that the election is most likely to be scheduled for 26th June and that the paperwork would be available in the next couple of weeks.

## 7. Questions from the floor:

There were none.

The meeting was closed by the Mayor at 6.23 p.m.

Signed:



**Mayor of Bridlington**

Date:

6<sup>th</sup> May 2015