

BRIDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 10th September 2008 at the Gasworx Skatepark, Bridlington

Present: Councillors R Allerston, M Charlesworth, L Dealtry, and S Finlay (Chair)
The Clerk recorded the minutes.

31/08 Apologies for absence:

RESOLVED: To receive and approve apologies for absence from Councillors Austin, Chambers and Marsburg

32/08 Code of Conduct declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda:

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda.

33/08 The response from ERYC regarding the upgrading and adoption of footway lighting:

RESOLVED: *To note ERYC's stance regarding the non-adoption of footway lighting and to consider the matter again in six months.*

34/08 The response from ERYC regarding the allocation of parking spaces for the Gasworx:

RESOLVED: *The Chair will speak with ERYC's Traffic & Parking to see if an allocation can be negotiated.*

35/08 The response from the Chief Constable regarding financial compensation for the Gasworx closure:

RESOLVED: To note the response.

36/08 Offer of alternative office accommodation from ib2k, the new landlords of 4-8 Victoria Road:

RESOLVED: I) To refer the offer for the consideration of the Buildings Working Group;
ii) To appoint Councillor M Charlesworth as a member of the Buildings Working Group.

37/08 The production of a town guide:

RESOLVED: To refer to the Newsletter Committee for a feasibility report.

38/08 A Parish Review action plan in preparation for the next Periodic Electoral Review due at the earliest 2010 or anytime up to 2015:

RESOLVED: To request Councillor Owen to prepare a paper re: numbers of members and Ward boundaries.

39/08 East Riding Pension Fund Annual Report & Accounts 2007/2008:

RESOLVED: *To note the report and, in the interest of conservation, to circulate via a 'Round Robin' any subsequent weighty reports.*

40/08 Update on the Bridlington Community Partnership Ltd in liquidation:

The Clerk circulated an e-mail from Pinkney Grunwells confirming that £67,500 had been set aside from the sale of the BCP Ltd's property pending the validation of the Council's charges.

RESOLVED: Councillor Dealtry and the Clerk to attend a meeting with the new landlord (ib2k) on Friday, 19th September 2008.

41/08 Small grant applications:

RESOLVED: To defer consideration of the small grants application until the cost of the by-election has been advised.

42/08 RESOLVED: In accordance with the power granted by the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public and Media be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that confidential matters will be discussed.

43/08 Gasworx Manager's financial report:

Mr Johnson presented an encouraging report considering the disappointing summer the resort had experienced due to the inclement weather.

A roof over the Skatepark would mean that even during the worst of the weather the facility would remain functional. Councillor Allerston offered to obtain quotations for a Dutch barn-type roof construction to enable the manager to explore funding options.

It was reported that the take up of sponsorship had been poor and it was suggested that Councillor Austin would be able to assist the manager in drawing up proposals and identifying and pitching to potential sponsors.

A banking regime was discussed and agreed with the manager.

- RESOLVED:**
- i) To top up the Gasworx deposit account to £20,000 at the beginning of the second half-year;
 - ii) To arrange an extraordinary meeting dedicated to moving the MUGA project forward;
 - iii) The manager was requested to formulate a staffing plan and budget for the November 2008 to March 2009 period for the consideration of the Staffing Committee;
 - iv) The manager was requested to submit a monthly financial report to the committee.

Signed: *Liam Dealtry*

Date: 17th September 2008

Mayor of Bridlington