



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HEDNESFORD TOWN COUNCIL

Wednesday 10th April 2004 AT 7.00 PM

Meeting held at Pye Green Community Centre, Bradbury Lane, Hednesford, WS12 4EP

Present:

Cllr Alan Pearson (Chair)
Cllr Ronald Turville (Deputy Chair)
Cllr Ann Turville
Cllr Sheila Cartwright
Cllr Arthur Roden
Cllr Garry Samuels

In attendance from Hednesford Town Council:

Lindsey Smith – Chief Officer
Cheryl Kinsella – Responsible Finance Officer

Members of the Public:

There were 7 members present

1. Apologies:

Cllr Paul Jones – no reason given
Cllr Laura Harrison – previous family commitments
Cllr Debbie Cartwright – health reasons

2. Declaration of Interest

None

3. Previous Minutes

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th March 2024 were reviewed and approved.

Proposed: Cllr R Turville

Second: Cllr Garry Samuels

Agreed: Cllr Pearson, Cllr R Turville, Cllr A Turville, Cllr S Cartwright, Cllr A Roden, Cllr G Samuels

4. Public Participation

A member of the public raised a discussion on agenda item 10 re: CCTV/car parking charges and stated that this is the same point that they raised at the previous full council for which no response was received. Item U of the Standing Orders and page 20 of the Code of Conduct regarding declarations of interest and participation in discussions and voting were cited and questioned over a Members participation in the discussion at the previous meeting. The member of the public was advised that the Member did not vote on the issue that was discussed

Another member of the public asked if a response will be made to the points raised and whether it would be verbal or in writing

The Chairperson informed that they expect an answer will be given

Chief Officer shared a report from the Local Policing Team (available upon request)

5. Resignation of Pye Green Ward Councillor

Chief Officer informed Members and public in attendance of the resignation of Jacob Dyke on 02.04.2024

11. Update and discussion on Christmas Light Switch on

The item was moved up the agenda to allow representatives to take part. Representatives were invited by the Chairperson to participate in discussions

Chief Officer provided an overview of the conflict of dates for the Christmas Market (Spotty Dog Events) and the Christmas Light Switch on (Hednesford in Partnership) and that despite discussions that no resolution had been found and requested a decision as to how to proceed from Members

A lengthy discussion took place between Members, a representative from Spotty Dog Events and representatives from Hednesford In Partnership. Different options and points of view were shared and discussed about how to remedy the conflict of dates. No definitive solution was reached

Proposed: Cllr A Turville

Second: Cllr R Turville

Agreed: Cllr Pearson, Cllr R Turville, Cllr A Turville, Cllr S Cartwright, Cllr A Roden, Cllr G Samuels

Action: Spotty Dog to investigate possibility and potential costs (for recompense from Hednesford Town Council) of moving the Christmas Market from 7th December to 14th December and liaise with Chief Officer as to whether this is feasible. To be discussed further at next full council meeting on 1st May 2024

6. CCTV Statistics

Statistics provided by CCDC for January 2024 and February 2024 were reviewed and noted

7. Verbal Updates from Committee Chairs

1) Finance, Operations and Personnel

Cllr P Jones Chair of the Finance, Operations and Personnel Committee was not at the meeting to provide an update. The deputy chair - Cllr L Harrison was also not present at the meeting to provide an update

2) Regeneration and Community

Cllr R Turville Chair of the Regeneration and Community Committee updated the meeting to inform that there is a further meeting with CCDC regarding the introduction of car parking charges on Friday 12th April and that the next meeting of the committee is on the 16th of April 2024

3) Pye Green Community Centre

Cllr L Harrison Chair of the Pye Green Community Centre was not at the meeting to provide an update. The deputy chair – Cllr P Jones was also not present at the meeting to provide an update

4) Planning

Cllr A Pearson Chair of the Planning Committee informed that there were 2 planning applications that had been resolved by committee and 1 which had been dismissed by CCDC so no action taken by Committee . No comments or objections were raised to the applications

8a. Community Officer Update

The Chief Officer read out a report in the absence of the Community Officer

Community Officer has been successful in obtaining grant from Inclusive Communities Fund for £3322.00 to support the running of the hub to cover room hire and basic refreshments from April to December 2024

Reminder to Members of the 60th Library Birthday event on Wednesday 17th April. 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm. Invite has gone out to all Members

Community Officer is meeting with Library on 30th April to continue to plan the D Day 80th Anniversary and will provide further details following this

Sunday 28th April. 10.45 am Cannock Chase War Cemetery. Cllr Ron Turville is now attending in place of Cllr A Pearson, who is now representing CCDC

Community Officer and Chief Officer are working on a timetable and schedule for Annual Town Assembly and will update further at Regeneration and Communities Committee. The date is Friday 24th May 2024. Invites will be sent out shortly

Community Officer shared a new scheme from Staffordshire County Council Waste Support – Medicycle and Techcycle and leaflets were provided to Members

8b.Motion from Community Officer for continued free use of Function Room for The Hub @Pye Green

Motion was withdrawn due to notification of successful funding bid

10. Finance Update

Report shared with Members for payments over £500 excluding salaries

End of year bank reconciliation was signed off by Chair of Council - Cllr A Pearson

Proposed: Cllr R Turville

Second: Cllr S Cartwright

Agreed: Cllr Pearson, Cllr R Turville, Cllr A Turville, Cllr S Cartwright, Cllr A Roden, Cllr G Samuels

Action: End of year accounts accepted and agreed by Council

10. CCTV/Introduction of Carpark Charges by CCDC

Cllr A Pearson informed that a further meeting with CCDC is taking place on Friday 12th April 2024

12. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Annual Town Meeting – Wednesday 1st May 2024 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 7:55pm

Signed:

Date: