**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BAWTRY TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE NEW HALL ON TUESDAY 12th DECEMBER 2017 AT 7.00PM**

**Present:** Cllrs: G. Budgen, A. Claypole, J Linsley, P. Holland, S. Young. D, Kirkham, A. West, D. Cartwright G. Scott A. Cropley.

Mrs. A Harrison – Clerk to the Council

**In Attendance**:17 members of the public, Cllr. Blake

Public Discussion Period

* Resident parking permits raised with further details available from the Borough Councillor.
* Request for details of Council achievements over the past year.
* Representations in respect of the Grove & Rufford Hunt (both for and against were made).
* Parking issues raised in respect of the Christmas event at Hudson’s Yard

**17/18/163** Receive Apologies and Approve Reasons for Absence

Noted that an election had been called in respect of the recent vacancy with an election date to be set by DMBC in due course.

C. Lukey (unwell), S. Womack (away).

**Resolved:** That the apologies be approved.

**17/18/164** Receive Declarations of Interest (other than standing interests).

A. West - Item 10a) MSF Family member involved. Non-pecuniary.

D Cartwright -Item 22a) 17/02920 as neighbouring property, Non-pecuniary

**17/18/165** Agree Confidential Items- None

**17/18/166** Approval of the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting of the 14th November

 **Resolved:** That the minutes of the 14th November be approved.

**17/18/167** Approval of the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the 27th November

 **Resolved**: That the minutes of the 27th November be approved with slight amendment.

**17/18/168** Matters Arising from the Minutes

17/18/149 Events **-** Christmas event parking issue noted. More marshalling considered to be necessary. Safety issues also raised regarding crowds on the highway outside Womack’s. Noted that BRA had now secured the involvement of DMBC, who had agreed to assist in 2018. The police had also been approached to give a presence.

17/18/152 Illuminate review meeting had been attended by the Chair. Mixed reports received.

17/18/161 v5 of the draft Neighbourhood Plan now available.

**17/18/169** Members agreed to bring forward Item 8a) Grove & Rufford Hunt request.

**17/18/170** Market Hill – a) Request for Grove & Rufford Hunt on Boxing Day

Members considered the hunt request at length. It was noted those who were recently successfully prosecuted still formed part of the group, including an officer of the group. Concerns were expressed regarding safety issues and crowd control in light of these developments. Support was also expressed for an event that was well attended and lawful.

It was noted that the public bridleway was still available with the hunt likely to go ahead even without the use of Council land.

**Resolved:** That a proposal for approval of the request was declined.

(3 for, 7 against)

In light of the public order concern the police to be notified accordingly.

**17/18/171** Members agreed to bring forward Items 10a, 12 and 20

**17/18/172** Recreational Issues – Dogs at the MSF

Lengthy discussion in respect of the issues that had transpired since the lease commenced and attempts to restrict residents using the facility in terms of dogs and whether these should be on a lead.

Cllr West expressed significant concern about restricting dogs to being on a lead (other than when groups were using the ground for matches etc.) and offered to sponsor appropriate signage and dog bins if necessary.

It was agreed however that the Councils intention at the time of the lease was to limit access to dogs on a lead. This was a compromise reached after BARS wished to exclude dogs. Members considered alternative signage and restrictions being applied during sporting activities but no resolution was proposed to amend the current terms.

(Cllr West left the meeting due to work commitments)

**17/18/173** Ward Member Report

 Update provided:

* Licensing re: Bawtry Hall being considered and meeting arranged.
* Bank closure noted with many options being considered – not only to object to the closure but to also look at community banking and attracting other banks by highlighting retailers currently using the facility. Post office services also to be reviewed.

**17/18/174**. Natwest Bank Closure

It was agreed that the Council would look to lead any initiative, not only in respect to the proposed closure, but also other options such as community banking and issues with the post office services. Clerk to forward correspondence to the bank objecting to the closure.

**17/18/175** Financial Matters

1. Approve Monthly Accounts

**Resolved:** That the monthly accounts be approved

b) Approve Bank Reconciliation

**Resolved:** That the bank reconciliation to 31st October be approved

c) Budget monitoring to October

The budget monitoring schedule was received. (Noted Market Hill income)

 d) Approve BARS annual maintenance grant for 2018

 Sinking fund – noted to be a contingency fund

 User committee members had also received actual spend figures which

 supported the budget figures.

 **Resolved:** That a grant of £8500 be approved.

e) Consider donation of Christmas ride proceeds to charity/local organization

 **Resolved:** That £400 from the Christmas ride proceeds be donated to the

Children’s Ward at DRI

**17/18/176** Market Hill

1. Grove & Rufford Boxing Day Hunt request- dealt with above
2. Taxi rank - Update

The Clerk had circulated a report which advised of the costs of amending the current Traffic Regulation Order and the need for relevant powers to be delegated by DMBC.

Costs were considered and mechanisms for a civil parking regime in the future noted.

Members agreed that DMBC be approached for delegation of the power to provide a taxi rank. If agreed licensed premises to be approached regarding funding.

 c) Consider provision of a defibrillator on Market Hill

 Noted existing facilities with the Clerk to confirm these and publicise.

**17/18/177** Market Hill Footpath- Update

 Correspondence had now been circulated to owners with a positive response to date. Approximately 5 responses were still awaited. Of the responses received all but one owner had provided consent to the footpath being adopted.

**17/18/178** Highways Issues

* New speed sign now on Tickhill Road
* Removal of basal tree growth had been commenced.
* School Walk consultation underway regarding restrictions (single yellow)
* McCarthy Stone landscaping issues noted.

**17/18/179** Neighbourhood Plan - Update

- Exhibition 13th December.

- Neighbouring Councils to send representatives

- Website now updated.

**17/18/180** Parking Provision Working Group

Possible car park regimes to be considered by the group and further meeting with the bottling plant owner to be arranged.

**17/18/181** Market Hill Working Group - Update

Possible costs for a scheme could be up to a maximum of £700k for high quality finish, although this would include the footpath replacement. (Based on 3000sqm @ £200 per metre) The working group had yet to consider materials. Utility companies to be approached in respect of any planned works.in due course

 Public consultation would be required before any scheme could be progressed and funding secured.

**17/18/182** War Memorial Working Group - Update

 Cllr Claypole reported that the Royal British Legion were not prepared to fund any relocation of the war memorial. DMBC had also declined financial assistance. An application had been made to the War Memorials Trust.

 Planning was being submitted with the agent currently in discussions with the conservation officer.

 Consent for relocation to the library site from DMBC was being sought by Borough Cllr Blake and Cllr Lukey.

 Crowd funding mooted with Cllr Cartwright to investigate.

**17/18/183** Events Working Group - Update

Group not met to date.

**17/18/184** Image of Bawtry - Update

 Boundary sign repair in hand.

**17/18/185** Members agreed to bring forward Item 24 - Report on Meetings (Noise monitoring)

**17/18/186** Report on Meetings & Representatives

Noise Monitoring Committee - Responses to the recent consultation had largely been positive although it was noted to be a lengthy process.

Issues with the community fund and criteria had been raised with the criteria to be reviewed and then circulated to committee members. Applications historically encouraged from charities rather than councils

(Cllr Cropley left the meeting)

**17/18/187** Review of the DMBC Cumulative Impact Policy

As a general rule licensees had to meet current licensing objectives but this was often easily overcome as there was a presumption in favour of licenses being granted. The cumulative impact policy in Bawtry reversed this presumption. However, some areas had not been included. Areas noted - Church Walk, Station Road, Courtyard, South Parade and Thorne Road

**Resolved:** That DMBC be asked to renew the policy with additional areas to be included. Cllr Holland and the Chair to liaise with the licensing department to cover as large an area as possible.

**17/18/188** General Data Protection Regulations - Approve Fair Processing Notice

 **Resolved** That the draft fair processing notice be approved,

**17/18/189** Planning Issues.

 a) Planning Applications

 **17/02872/FUL** Pine Lodge, St Martins Avenue

 Erection of extension to the side with balcony to the rear

 **17/02907/TCON** St Nicholas Church, Church Street.

 Notification of tree works to four lime trees. Removal of epicormics/ advantageous growth from main stem up to the first branches (T1-T5) and the selective removal of sub-lateral branches in south east crown to provide 2m clearance from adjacent dwelling (T4).

**17/02920/FUL** 2 Yew Tree Drive

1. Side extension, 2. Loft Conversion. 3 Garage Conversion 4. Front porch.

**17/02879/FUL** 12 Lime Tree Crescent

Rear extension, pitched roof over existing garage and front elevation.

**17/03022/TPO** The Old House32 High St

Consent to crown lift minor branches on one fully mature Beech tree to gain 3 to 4m clearance above ground level. The tree is subject to Doncaster Borough Council Tree Preservation Order (No.260) 2002

***No adverse comment to the above applications***

b) Planning Determinations

**17/02550/FUL** 48 Church Street Single storey rear extension - *Granted*

**17/02495/FUL** Broad Oaks St Martins Avenue. Single storey rear extension to rear of a detached dwelling house *- Granted*

**17/01300/FUL** Land off St Martins. Erection of detached garage/ outbuilding. *Granted*

**17/18/190** Consider response to Nottinghamshire Mineral Local Plan – Issues & Options Consultation

DEFERRED until the January meeting.

**17/18/191** Report on Meetings & Representatives

* Nothing to report in respect of the Joint Parish Consultative Committee.

-iGas meeting 20th November. The planning department had not included restrictions after Blaxton. However, iGas had now confirmed that they would issue an instruction for HGV’s to travel north at the Blaxton roundabout.

**17/18/192** To Receive any Additional Correspondence

- New Hall Committee lease renewal request noted.

- Resident request for a bus shelter on the High Street. SYPTE’s recent response to the Councils request also noted. The Clerk to approach SYPTE re: council funding to ascertain what impact this would have on their current policy.

**17/18/193** Items for Future Agenda and Next Meetings – 9th Jan & 23rd Jan (finance)

 NatWest closure /Post office services - update

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.15pm

**Chair: ……………………………………………. Dated…………………………………………**

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| A Harrison | Reimburse land registry fees re footpath | 1284 | 48.00 |
| Npower | Mkt Hill – Electricity (Nov) | DD | 27.00 |
| Various | Salaries –Nov (inc holiday cover) | 1285/87 | 2492.36 |
| The Pension People | Pension contributions (emp’r & emp’e) | DD | 40.00 |
| HMRC | Tax & NICS - Nov | 1288 | 576.75 |
| Hilltop Construction | Mkt Hill footpath repairs | 1289 | 6811.50 |
| HSBC  | Bank fees  | DD | 6.80 |
| DMBC  | Rates - Market Hill | DD | 699.00 |
| Today Publications Ltd | Newsletter - Bawtry Today | DD | 114.00 |
| Torne Valley Ltd | Handyman equipment repair | 1290 | 20.00 |
| A Harrison  | Quarterly allowance | 1291 | 150.00 |
| A Harrison | Reimburse postage/travel | 1292 | 20.60 |
| Kirkwells TP Consultants | Neighbourhood plan consultant fees  | 1293 | 3000.00 |
| Notts County Supplies  | Stationery | 1294 | 41.65 |
| Christmas Plus | Christmas installation | 1295 | 1882.44 |
| Torne Valley | Equipment repairs  | 1296 | 69.64 |
| Marshallls garage | Handyman diesel | 1297 | 33.95 |
| Getmapping plc | Parish online subscription | 1298 | 202.80 |
| G Lingard | Sound system – Christmas eve | 1299 | 84.00 |
| JHM Butt & Co | Printing (N.Plan) | 1300 | 289.08 |
| J Linsley | Reimburse Neighbourhood plan printing | 1301 | 90.00 |
| SLCC | Annual subscription | 1302 | 154.00 |
| Blyth Pest Control  | Moles treatment – wharf st | 1303 | 70.00 |