**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BAWTRY TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE NEW HALL ON TUESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2019 at 7.00PM**

**Present:** Cllrs: A. Claypole, D, Kirkham, D. Cartwright, S. Young, D Kirby. C. Lukey, P Muxlow. I Greer

Mrs. A Harrison – Clerk to the Council

**In Attendance**: 4 members of the public

 Ward Councillor Blake

**18/19/213** Receive Apologies and Approve Reasons for Absence

G. Budgen (unwell), G Scott, A Cropley & P. Holland (away), J. Linsley (other commitment)

**Resolved:** That the above reasons be approved.

**18/19/214** Receive Declarations of Interest (other than standing interests) -None

**18/19/215** Agree Confidential Items- Item 14 New Hall (legal/staffing)

**18/19/216** Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting- 14th & 29th January

 **Resolved:** That the above minutes be approved.

**18/19/217** Matters Arising from the Minutes

 18/19/187 Drivers Pageant. Noted information required for future events reported to the organiser.

 18/19/208 Heritage Planning Application. Clerk to submit online on behalf of the Town Council.

**18/19/218** 15 Minute Public Discussion Period

Update provided regarding Bawtry Forest with a response received from the current leaseholder. Ward Cllr Blake also provided an update regarding the recent police attendance and the fact that there are no public designated rights of way in the forest (although the current leaseholder is allowing access in specified areas).

Clerk to contact the leaseholder regarding the installation of a warning flag during shooting operations.

Request for the lighting to be operational at Wharfe Street play park. Cllr Young to ensure that these would be activated in the near future when the adjacent resident had been contacted.

**18/19/219** Financial Matters

 a) Approve Monthly Accounts

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

b) Approve Bank Reconciliation to 31st December

**Resolved:** That the bank reconciliations to 31st December be received.

c) Budget monitoring - December

**Resolved:** That the budget monitoring schedule be approved.

d) Consider amendment of Accounts package

 **Resolved:** That a change to the Omega system be approved with a

 change to income/expenditure accounts from 2019-20.

 Members approved software costs including training as required.

**18/19/220** Market Hill Issues

a) Consider Soap Box event on Market Hill

 Update provided to members as to the organiser’s current plans with a couple of options being considered once costs had being evaluated for a road closure. A time trial from the Dower House car park was envisaged with a proposed date of Sunday 30th June 2019

 **Resolved**: That the event be approved subject to the provision of a risk assessment, suitable insurance cover and consent from Excel Parking.

 Grant funding considered with the organiser to be asked to give an update as to funding for barriers and submit a grant application

b) Consider & approve Inspection policy and inspection regime

 Members approved the inspection regime with amendment to the reference to the highways appendices and use of a highways engineer. The Clerk to amend accordingly.

**Resolved**; That an initial inspection and report be approved to assess the current condition and enable any urgent works to be commissioned. Members to consider the inspection requirements and management thereafter

**18/19/221** Recreation lssues

a) Consider BARS arrangements and User Group Terms of Reference

Members agreed that Cllrs Cartwright and Claypole meet with BARS representatives to go through the existing Terms of Reference and would report to members in due course.

 Wharf Street was reported by Cllr Young, as Chair of BARS, as being a priority with an expansion of the area to be considered, although the MSG operations group was formed to deal specifically with the sports ground.

 Concerns expressed regarding the potential commercial focus of the MSG operations group within the structure and the desire from members that grant funding by the Town Council was not seen as a grant to BARS which was separate to the commercial profits realised by the said group

**Resolved**: That members expressed grave concerns in respect of the awarding of contractual cleaning arrangements on the basis that the Town Council would not look to support policies of this nature with public monies in light of recent reassurances regarding improved governance that had been given to the Council by the User Group Treasurer.

**18/19/222** Ward Member/DMBC Report.

* Gainsborough Road toilets update with a delay at present due to access issues with the adjacent public house. Plans to rent the facility as opposed to its sale were still being pursued by DMBC however.
* Bawtry Hall hedges now cut back.
* Mayflower 400 meeting scheduled with David Kirkham to attend as a Council representative.
* Litter pick Saturday 2nd March/April to be organised as part of the Spring Clean initiative.
* Airport meeting 19th February. Ward Cllr Blake and Linsley to attend.
* Dementia/Age friendly initiatives to help tackle social isolation. Support for a Community bid to be considered at the February Council EGM.
* Wellbeing update with ideas being considered.

**18/19/223** Town Centre Strategy Working Group

 a) Confirm an initial monthly rental of £100 month (for 6 months).

 **Resolved**: That the initial 6 month rent be approved at £100

b) Approve notification to the Statutory Undertakers requesting details of their apparatus and any advance works that they might wish to carry out.

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

c) Approve the proposed ‘crowd funding’ bid to help with the raising of funds towards Market Hill improvements

**Resolved**; That the crowd funding bid be approved.

**18/19/224** War Memorial Update

 Meeting with contractor, architect and conservation officer had clarified the outstanding items with the method statement now largely approved and the wording for plaques at the former site.

 A start date of May 2019 was now proposed subject to suitable traffic management being arranged.

 The funding bid had also been approved in the sum of approximately £18,000 with any additional ancillary costs to be funded by the Town Council.

**18/19/225** Events Working Group- Update

* Noted suggestion of a loneliness/elderly club at the sports field but members to consider such a club, if provided, at the New Hall.
* Easter event was being arranged at the sports field but it now appeared unlikely that funding would be requested from the Town Council due to the commercial nature of the event.
* Clarification was sought regarding the BARS sports day which was reported as still being planned.

**18/19/226** Planning Issues.

a) Planning Applications

**19/00085/FUL** Bawtry Paintball Fields, Bawtry Forest, Great North Road

Installation of tree trekking and rope walking system around existing trees

**18/02383/FUL** Martin Grange Cottage Martin Grange Farm Lane.

Conversion of existing ancillary building to separate detached dwelling

**19/00133/FUL** 7 Swan Street

Change of use and associated works from betting office to dental practice consisting of two surgeries, consulting room, waiting room and x-ray room.

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

b) Planning Determinations- Noted

 **18/03016/FUL** Lynbar, Martin Lane

Erection of 4 bedroom detached house with integral garage***- Refused***

**18/02616/FUL** 1 Church Street

Erection of a new boundary wall, railings, fence, pedestrian gate and vehicular gates to the south west boundary (max height 2m) following demolition of

existing garage within a conservation area - ***Granted***

**18/02335/FUL** Norex Ltd Thorne Road

Erection of one detached dwelling and one pair of semi- detached dwellings with associated car parking on approx 0.13ha of land including formation of new vehicular access following demolition of existing building. (Being resubmission of 14/02081/FUL)- ***Withdrawn***

 **18/19/227** Report on Meetings & Representatives

 BRG meeting- noted request for photographs for town councilors.

 iGas Liaison Group – Tinker Lane site now closed as no material deposits.

 **18/19/228** To Receive Any Additional Correspondence

1. Consider flags for St Georges Day (Resident request).

Members considered the merits of displaying flags and the potential delivery and costs of such a proposal.

 A proposal was made to obtain quotes for poles & flags but the motion was not passed. (3 for/3 against)

 b) Consider SKYTV Ad smart participation

 Members expressed an interest in promoting Bawtry but further details to be sought pending any potential funding decision.

 **18/19/229** Items for Future Agenda and Next Meetings

 **-** Rossington Neighbourhood Plan and Bassetlaw Local Plan

 **-** EGM on 26th February and ordinary meeting 12th March

 **18/19/230** Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960

That due to the confidential nature of the matters to be discussed the press and public were excluded in the public interest.

 **18/19/231** New Hall – Update including further legal advice

Update provided with working group to meet to discuss staffing requirements, advertising and rates for consideration at the February EGM.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.45pm.

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

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| **January** |  |  |  |
| BARS | Annual Grant 2019 | 1514 | 8500.00 |
| HSBC  | Bank fees  | DD | 24.28 |
| Various | Salaries–January | 1515/17 | 2551.55 |
| HMRC | Tax & NICS - January | 1518 | 551.81 |
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| **February** |  |  |  |
| The Pension People | Pension contributions -Jan | DD | 101.13 |
| Today Publications Ltd | Newsletter - Bawtry Today | DD | 114.00 |
| EDF | Mkt Hill electricity | DD | 20.00 |
| EE | Mobile phone (monthly) | DD | 22.80 |
| DMBC/Library/Austerfield Centre | Illuminate donation | 1519 | 1000.00 |
| North Notts Landscapes | Allotment hedge cutting | 1520 | 330.00 |
| A Harrison | Post | 1521 | 8.40 |
| Need a Hand | Signage installation  | 1522 | 45.00 |
| DMBC | Taxi linings | 1523 | 85.72 |
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