**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BAWTRY TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE NEW HALL STATION ROAD , BAWTRY ON MONDAY 14TH MARCH 2022 at 7.00PM**

**Present:** Cllrs: A. Claypole, G. Scott, J. Brindley, T. Reddick, I. Greer, A. Cropley,

 S. Young, D. Kirby, E. Austin, D. Cartwright & P. Holland, D. Kirkham.

 A Harrison – Clerk to the Council

**In Attendance:** Ward Councillors R. Blake & one other

**21/22/202** Receive Apologies and Approve Reasons for Absence

 J. Linsley (away)

 **Resolved:** That the reasons for absence be approved.

**21/22/203** Receive Declarations of Interest (other than standing interests)

 Cllr Brindley – Non-pecuniary re: beacon quote as family connection.

**21/22/204** Agree Confidential Items

Item 8 a) Kiosk Lease (commercially sensitive).

**21/22/****205** Approval of the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting 14th February 2022

 **Resolved** That the minutes of the meeting held on the 14th February be approved**.**

**21/22/206** Matters arising from the Minutes

 21/22/186 Matters arising - Removal of auction materials. Cllr Brindley to seek out possible contact.

21/22/186 Matters arising - War memorial – solicitors now instructed

21/22/186 Matters arising - MSF Waterway - Update provided including current outstanding works by Network Rail (advised to be commenced this week), reinstatement of the fencing (temporary fencing now arranged) and DMBC meeting scheduled for the 21st March.

21/22/191 Highways – Noted communication issues.

**21/22/207** 15 Minute Public Discussion Period

No public in attendance

**21/22/208** Financial Matters

1. Approve Monthly Accounts

That the monthly accounts be approved to March (schedule attached).

1. Bank Reconciliations –31st January 2022

That the bank reconciliations be received.

1. Budget Monitoring – January 2022

 That the budget monitoring be received.

**21/22/209** Market Hill

a) Consider kiosk extension/repainting- Moved to confidential session

b) Excel P&D contract update.

Update provided. Contract now signed with new machines to be delivered this week. Clerk to finalise execution of the contract by the Town Council (Clerk & Chairman to sign) with a commencement date now agreed at 23rd March 2022 for 3 years.

c) Consider tree root treatment & tree illumination/electrical issues.

Clerk to contact MKS Groundcare to seek advice/costs regarding tree roots.

Problems with connecting the tree lights discussed including distribution costs and the logistics of providing a supply to the trees.

**21/22/210** Recreation

1. Cemetery - Approve Cemetery Regulations (Draft herewith)

**Resolved**: That the Cemetery Regulations be approved subject to amendments noted by members.

1. Allotments - Consider & investigate “community” allotment

Noted a full plot was now available to use as a community allotment.

**Resolved:** Members agreed to forfeit the annual fee (£40) with the clerk to investigate with interested parties/groups.

1. Allotments - Approve water supply replacement.

Noted issues with obtaining further quotes despite endeavours by the clerk. Members agreed the matter was now urgent and needed to be completed prior to the summer due to problem of multiple leaks in 2021.

**Resolved:** That the supply quote from MKS Groundcare would be approved with any relevant financial regulations/standing orders regarding the provision of quotes suspended.

**21/22/211** Highways

Community Speedwatch training session – Noted comments regarding the refusal to enforce the new speed limit on Doncaster Road. Ward Councillors to investigate

**21/22/212** New Hall-

Clerk reported latest developments including repairs undertaken, problems with drains and plumbing. Further quote for curtains to be obtained to enable access to the wellbeing grant. Outside lighting also to be updated.

**21/11/213** Ward Member/DMBC Officer

* Planters had been requested in the town and had been approved.
* Good progress being made for the Arts Festival.
* Wellbeing meeting & litter pick scheduled.

**21/22/214** Town Centre Strategy Working Group inc consider Electric Vehicle Charging points.

Noted two bays at the rear of the bus shelter were considered as the most desirable location. DMBC and a company called Zest had currently been approached to look into options including installation costs and/or profit sharing.

**21/22/215** Events Update - Bawtry Platinum Jubilee Afternoon Tea Party Arrangements.

Running order noted. 1pm-6pm. South side of the car park to be closed with afternoon teas served/picnics. Entertainment being progressed with singers, band and Phoenix Theatre performance envisaged.

 Unfortunately beacon fabrication and installation costs had been obtained but were cost prohibitive. Alternatives were being investigated including a temporary beacon.

**21/22/216** Planning Issues

1. Applications

**22/00240/FUL** 59 Queens Crescent

Erection of two storey side and rear extension.

**Resolved**: To comment that the development was an overdevelopment of the plot and any development should not cause any loss of amenity or light of neighbouring properties.

b) Planning Determinations

**21/02276/FUL** 1 Highfield Road -New roof to dwelling to provide two usable bedrooms with porch at ground floor level to front -

**21/03454/FUL** Former Bottling Plant, Tickhill Road. Installation of biomass boiler and associated flues***- Granted***

**21/03445/FUL** 6 Ingham Road. Erection of single storey extension to front- ***Granted***

**21/03321/LBC** 14 Swan Street - Internal alterations at first and second floor levels in association with existing three bed dwelling - ***Granted***

**21/22/217** Report on Meetings & Representatives

* Meeting attended with Network Rail/ DMBC regarding bridgeon Gainsborough Road which was to be replaced.
* Bawtry Arts festival meeting attended.
* Joint Consultative Committee meeting scheduled for the 24th March.

**21/22/218** Receive Additional Correspondence

Noted closure for sporting events at the MSG for week commencing 17th September. Noted this was understood to be due to a planned music festival.

Documentation needed to be provided to the Town Council as the landlord to ensure that relevant insurance and risk assessments were in place.

**21/22/219** Items for Future Agenda & note next meeting date – 11th April 2022.

MSG Waterway- Update.

**21/22/220** Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

That due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the press and public were excluded.

**21/22/221** Market Hill including - kiosk

The Clerk advised members of recent discussions with the tenants regarding the kiosk footprint.

**Resolved:** Clerk to approach a surveyor regarding market rents taking into account proposed revised footprint prior to further consideration of the rent review.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 8.50pm

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

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| **Payee** | **Description** |  |  |
| Gazprom | Hall - gas | DD | 336.71 |
| YLCA | Training fee | 2215 | 60.00 |
| Various | Salaries Feb | 2216-9 | 4097.32 |
| HMRC | Tax & NICs Feb | 2220 | 997.72 |
| Compass Cleans | Hall cover | 2221 | 283.50 |
| A Harrison | Postages | 2222 | 18.12 |
| The Pension People | Pension contributions –Jan | DD | 237.16 |
| EDF | Mkt Hill electricity | DD | 28 .00 |
| EE | Mobile phones inc hall (monthly) | DD | 31.57 |
| Today Publications Ltd | Newsletter - Bawtry Today  | DD | 114.00 |
| Opus Energy | Hall- electricity  | DD | 144.89 |
| Plusnet | Broadband -hall | DD | 26.40 |
| Water Plus | Surface Water charges - hall | DD | 70.67 |
| Need a Hand | Door repair - hall | 2223 | 55.00 |
| Global | Merchant bank fees  | 2224 | 30.14 |
| A Harrison | Zoom monthly fee | 2225 | 14.39 |
| DMBC | Annual cemetery rates (paid April) | 2226 | 586.33 |
| A Harrison | Quarterly allowance | 2227 | 150.00 |
| Viking Direct  | Stationery/Hall clock | 2228 | 74.89 |
| DMBC | Procurement fees  | 2229 | 4250.00 |
| Gillies Landscapes | Allotment maintenance/cemetery spoil | 2230 | 150.00 |
| DMBC | New Hall annual rates (paid April) | 2231 | 4590.80 |
| HSBC | Bank charges | DD | 18.50 |