

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**1<sup>st</sup> April 2014**

**Present:** Councillors Upson (Chairman), Campbell, Draper, Jones, Kenyon, Leach, McIntyre, Nicholson, Swift, Westmorland & Wilson.

**Apologies:** Councillors S. Gilliver-Cooper, S.L.Gilliver-Cooper Pickin & Wootton.

**15 members of the public were in attendance.**

**363 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

To receive questions from Members of the Public as per the Town Council's Standing Orders - 1 d & e.

**No valid questions had been submitted.**

**364 POLICE REPRESENTATION AT TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS - (Refer to Minute No. 70 – 2012/13)**

**No representative from the Police was in attendance.**

**365 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors should disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest/s in any item/s on this agenda.

**Chairman to read out the following statement.** Members are referred to, and shall observe, the provisions of the Hemsworth Town Council's Code of Conduct. If a Councillor has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest he/she must, unless a dispensation has been granted, withdraw from the meeting room and take no part in the discussion or vote. If any interest (Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary) has not been entered in the Town Council's register then you must disclose it at the meeting and inform the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the date of initial disclosure. Failure to abide by the provisions of the Code in regard to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests now amounts to a criminal offence.

**No disclosures were made.**

**366 CORRESPONDENCE**

The Town Clerk reported on the following items of correspondence:

- a. YLCA – White Rose Update includes information relating to the & Draft Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014

**It was agreed** that the information received be noted.

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**366 CORRESPONDENCE – continued**

b. PFK Littlejohn - Notice of the annual audit

The Clerk informed members of notification re; dates of the audit for 2013/14.

Councillor Kenyon started to raise matters relating to an ex employee and demanded answers. The Chairman informed Councillor Kenyon that this matter was not up for discussion and moved on to the next item.

**It was agreed** that the details supplied by the Clerk be noted.

c. Yorkshire Internal Audit – Third Interim report

**It was agreed** that the report that was circulated with the agenda be noted.

**367 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

The Clerk informed members that the date previously agreed for the ATM was 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014 however due to the European and District Elections taking place that day she suggested that the date for the ATM should be the week after.

Councillor Upson proposed that the ATM takes place on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2014. This was seconded by Councillor Draper.

Councillor Kenyon put forward the following amendment; that the ATM takes place on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014. This was seconded by Councillor Wilson.

**RESOLVED:** That by a vote of 3 for the amendment and 8 against, the amendment was defeated.

Members then voted on the proposal; that the ATM takes place on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2014.

**RESOLVED:** That by a vote of 8 for the proposal and 3 against, the proposal was carried.

**368 FITZWILLIAM WELFARE CENTRE**

**It was agreed** that the update provided by the Town Clerk be noted.

**369 LICENSING MATTERS**

The Town Clerk reported on the following:

a. Weekly Licensing Applications

**It was agreed** that the information provided by the Town Clerk be noted.

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**370 PLANNING MATTERS**

The Town Clerk reported on the following:

- a. Weekly planning lists, applications, acknowledgment of comments and notification of decisions

**It was agreed** that the information provided by the Town Clerk be noted.

- b. WMDC- Local Development Framework Site Specific Local Plan

**It was agreed** that the information provided by the Town Clerk be noted.

**371 TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 11 February, as detailed in Minute Book No. 6, 2013/2014, pages 257 - 262, were moved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Councillor Kenyon stated that Minute No. 315 did not provide relevant details and that the Clerk needed to be reminded that the Town Council makes decisions. The Chairman asked Councillor Kenyon to explain what the issue was and Councillor Kenyon stated that he had asked the Clerk questions that she could not answer and that this detail was not recorded in the minutes. The Chairman referred Councillor Kenyon to his Standing Orders on giving notice of questions.

At this point in the meeting some members of the public began disrupting the meeting and the Chairman asked for them to refrain.

Councillor Kenyon then continued his issues by stating that the Clerk has not recorded any income in the accounts for garages. Additional shouting from the public continued and the Chairman stated that if further interruption continued then he would move business into exclusion.

Councillor Kenyon then stated that the minutes were incorrect at which point rude comments towards the Chairman from a member of the public were made.

Councillor Draper moved that to enable business to be transacted that the meeting be moved into exclusion of press and public. This was seconded by Councillor Campbell.

**372 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED:** That in order to conduct the remainder of business, that the public and press are excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

Further disruption continued and the Chairman closed the meeting (to be reconvened at a later date) **Meeting closed @ 7.17 pm.**

Tina Pattison

Town Clerk

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