

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2009 AT 6.30 PM**

C097/08 Present: Cllr F Bark, Cllr D Brown, Cllr K Frith, Cllr D Haspel, Cllr S Maskrey, Cllr I Ratcliffe, Cllr J Stockell.

In attendance: PC Doug Eyre, Mrs J Walls (Town Clerk).

C098/08 Apologies for absence: Cllr A Clamp, Cllr A Pollock, Cllr M Ratcliffe, Cllr C Whittall, District Cllr P Slack.

C099/08 Members' Interests in Agenda Items:

None declared.

C100/08 Open Forum:

- a) Police Matters: PC Eyre gave updates on the CCTV system for the town, the initiative to supply smart water to residents of the Yokecliffe estate, and the likelihood of the police car being replaced with a marked vehicle.
- b) Public Forum: No members of the public were present at the meeting.
- c) District Councillor Reports: Cllr P Slack had circulated a written report prior to the meeting. Cllr I Ratcliffe gave information relating to the learner pool, and said she would ask Cllr M Ratcliffe to give a more detailed report when he returned.
- d) County Councillor Report: Cllr I Ratcliffe had circulated several items of information via email. She circulated a further document entitled County Matters, and reported on the current situation with regard to town bus shelters:
 - *Harrison Drive – DCC have recommended a cantilever shelter, to be erected on the footprint of the existing shelter, with the possible provision of further seating*
 - *Kingsfield – A tarmac hardstanding is needed for a shelter at this location. The Town Council are advised to liaise with residents immediately behind the bus stop before a shelter is erected.*
 - *Memorial Hall – the bus shelter needs to be moved in view of the proposed location of the puffin crossing and it is recommended that the shelter be erected at the roadside, just before Stones' window.*
 - *Care Centre – this is proving problematic because of the positioning of the zig-zag lines for the puffin crossing. DCC are currently investigating the matter.*

- *Porter Lane – after asking the Clerk to consult with DALC, it has been confirmed that the Town Council have no power to provide and maintain a bus shelter outside of their parish.*

Cllr Ratcliffe gave an update on the drainage problem at Middleton Road, which DCC were currently looking at.

C101/08 Minutes of the Meeting of the Wirksworth Town Council dated 19 January 2009:

The minutes of the Meeting of Wirksworth Town Council dated 19 January 2009 were confirmed as a correct record.

C102/08 Town Mayor's Announcements:

The Mayor reported that he had not carried out any Mayoral duties since the last meeting.

C103/08 Minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Environment & Planning Committee dated 2 February 2009:

RESOLVED That the minutes and recommendations of the Environment & Planning Committee dated 2 February 2009 be approved.

C104/08 Minutes and recommendations of the Town and Finance Committee dated 9 February 2009:

Minute TF146/08 Grit Bins: Cllr Brown expressed disappointment that his recommendation of a further grit bin at Bolehill had not been included in the list of proposed locations for additional bins. Cllr Pollock had also sent a message to the meeting, asking if one of the suggested locations could be changed. Cllr Haspel reiterated Cllr Whittall's suggestion that a clear protocol be established for determining the position of future bins. The Clerk advised that the Council could either accept the minute, or refer it back to T&F for further consideration.

RESOLVED

- a) That Minute TF146/08 be referred back to T&F for further consideration relating to the location of the proposed 6 new grit bins, taking account of Cllr Whittall/Cllr Haspel's suggestions, but that the recommendation to provide a further 6 bins be confirmed;
- b) That with the above resolution, the minutes and recommendations of the Town and Finance Committee dated 9 February 2009 be approved.

C105/08 Accounts Paid – January:

RESOLVED That payment of the attached accounts in the sum of £8934.79 be formally approved.

C106/08 Town Councillor Representative Reports:

Fairtrade: Cllr I Ratcliffe showed members a draft directory which will be produced in the near future. She updated members on the arrangements for the Celebrations Day to be held on 7 March.

Festival: Cllr Brown advised that the Festival Board were active in meeting the Arts Council criteria for a funding award.

RESOLVED That the reports be noted.

C107/08 Information:

The following documents had been circulated, for information:

1. Information:

i) Correspondence:

a. From DCC = Proposed Speed Limit Review : B5036 Cromford to Wirksworth – noted.

ii) Tabled at meeting:

a. DALC Circulars

- 01/2009 – List of previous circulars
- 02/2009 – General Circular : Redundant Buildings Grant; New Regulations for Managing Grievance at Work; Crash Course in Planning; DDCVS Training; Vacancy Ballidon; Vacancy Elton, Vacancy Matlock Bath
- 03/2009 – General Circular : Age Discrimination & Compulsory Retirement Age
- 04/2009 – General Circular: Derbyshire Market Towns Retailer Training; Pay Claim 2009/10; Vacancy Ripley; Advice for Elderly People on Keeping Warm; Energy Auditing Course; Bikes to Work in Derbyshire
- 05/2009 – Parish Councils (Power to Promote Wellbeing) Order 2008; Vacancy Litton; Vacancy Ashbourne

b. Ecclesbourne Express Winter 2009

c. SACRE Annual Report 2007/8

d. Wirksworth Recreation Ground Trustees – Management Cttee Agenda

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The meeting closed at 7.20 pm

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Chairman