

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON  
MONDAY 18 JANUARY 2010 AT 6.30 PM**

**C160/08 Present:** Cllr F Bark, Cllr D Brown, Cllr K Frith, Cllr D Haspel, Cllr S Maskrey (in the Chair), Cllr J Stockell, Cllr C Whittall.

In attendance: N Wright & C Bristow (Stoney Wood Group); County Cllr G Purdy; District Cllr P Slack, PCs J Millard & D Ayre, Member of the Press, Mrs J Walls (Town Clerk).

**C161/08 Apologies for absence:** Cllrs A Clamp, A Pollock, I Ratcliffe, M Ratcliffe.

**C162/08 Presentation by Stoney Wood Group:**

The Chair welcomed representatives of the Stoney Wood Group to the meeting. A powerpoint presentation was given, featuring activities over the last year. The Council was advised that plans for 2010 include maintenance, staging events, provision of new gates, a labyrinth, stone bench, orchard maintenance and fruit picking, and the completion of the Star Disc project.

**RESOLVED** That the Stoney Wood Group be thanked for their presentation, and for the excellent work they do on behalf of the Town Council, as a vibrant group helping to promote the town, on a small budget.

**C163/08 Members' Interests in Agenda Items:**

None declared.

**C164/08 Open Forum:**

- a) Public Forum: No members of the public were present at the meeting.
- b) District Councillor Reports: Cllr P Slack circulated a written report to the meeting.
- c) County Councillor Report: Cllr G Purdy had circulated a written report prior to the meeting. A discussion took place on gritting issues.
- d) Police Matters: Officers reported that the Christmas and New Year period had been quiet in the town. The Road Safety Team had been present in the town on three occasions and achieved excellent results. The Team would be returning to the town in the near future. Details were given of the work being undertaken with young people, and an update on the CCTV provision was given. Cllr Maskrey thanked the Police on behalf of the Town Council for their work with young people which was proving very effective.

**C165/08 Minutes of the Meeting of the Wirksworth Town Council:**

The minutes of the Meeting of Wirksworth Town Council dated 21 December 2009 were confirmed as a correct record.

**C166/08 Town Mayor's Announcements:**

The Mayor was not present at the meeting.

**C167/08 Minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Environment & Planning Committee:**

**RESOLVED** That the minutes and recommendations of the Environment & Planning Committee dated 4 January 2010 be approved.

**C168/08 Minutes and recommendations of the Town and Finance Committee:**

**RESOLVED** That the minutes and recommendations of the Town and Finance Committee dated 11 January 2010 be approved.

**C169/08 Accounts Paid December:**

**RESOLVED** That payment of the attached accounts in the sum of £10298.11 be formally approved.

**C170/08 Town Councillor Representative Reports:**

Bolehill: Cllr Haspel reported on the present position with regard to the car park, as permission to enter the land is being awaited from the tenant.

Festival: Cllr Brown reported that the Festival would shortly be recruiting a Festival Manager, and had also taken accommodation on North End.

Bolehill: Cllr Brown reported that the Methodist Chapel has now closed, and BIG would be discussing the future letting of the Maydale Room.

Junior School: Cllr Stockell gave an update on the present position.

**RESOLVED** That the reports be noted.

**C171/08 Information:**

The following documents had been circulated, for information:

i) Correspondence:

a. From DDDC re future development at the Dale and Greenhill (circulated)

ii) Tabled at meeting:

b. Emda News Winter Edition 2009

c. DDDC Arts Matters Winter 2009/10

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The meeting closed at 7.55 pm

.....Chairman

