

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 19 APRIL 2010 AT 6.30 PM**

C130/09 Present: Cllr F Bark, Cllr D Brown, Cllr A Clamp, Cllr D Haspel, Cllr S Maskrey, Cllr I Ratcliffe, Cllr M Ratcliffe, Cllr J Stockell, Cllr C Whittall.

In attendance: District Cllr P Slack, County Cllr G Purdy, PC Doug Ayre, Member of the Public, Mrs J Walls (Town Clerk).

C131/09 Apologies for absence: Cllr K Frith, Cllr A Pollock.

C132/09 Members' Interests in Agenda Items:

None declared.

C133/09 Open Forum:

- a) Public Forum: The Mayor invited the member of the public to address the meeting. The problem of pedestrian safety at Water Lane was raised, and a petition produced, containing 486 signatures. An approach has been made to DCC with regard to suggestions for improvements, and the Town Council were asked to support these suggestions. It was agreed that this would be placed on the agenda for the next Planning & Environmental Affairs meeting.
- b) District Councillor Reports: Cllr P Slack had circulated a written report prior to the meeting, and reported on a proposed kerbside collection of cans. Refurbishments to Wirksworth toilets were expected to be included in a 2nd phase of proposed improvements by DCC. Cllr I Ratcliffe reported on a recent problem with the light and tree at Barmote Croft car park, lack of enforcement on some planning issues and the possibility of the introduction of a short-stay car parking fee. Cllr M Ratcliffe reported that the Town Council would be consulted on the Derbyshire Dales and High Peak Core Joint Strategy Document. An update was given on the Learner Pool.
- c) County Councillor Report: Cllr G Purdy had issued a written report. A discussion took place on Rights of Way.
- d) Police Matters: PC D Ayre reported that the previous month had been quiet.

Open Forum closed at 7.12 pm

C134/09 Minutes of the Meeting of the Wirksworth Town Council:

The minutes of the Meeting of Wirksworth Town Council dated 15 March 2010 were confirmed as a correct record.

C135/09 Town Mayor's Announcements:

The Mayor reported on events he had attended since the last meeting.

C136/09 Minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Environment & Planning Committee:

RESOLVED That the minutes and recommendations of the Environment & Planning Committee dated 6 April 2010 be approved.

C137/09 Minutes and recommendations of the Town and Finance Committee:

RESOLVED That the minutes and recommendations of the Town and Finance Committee dated 12 April 2010 be approved.

C138/09 Accounts Paid March:

RESOLVED That payment of the attached accounts in the sum of £12345.21 be formally approved.

C139/09 Town Councillor Representative Reports:

Skateboard Park: Cllr Stockell reported that repairs were ongoing.

NOW: Cllr Clamp reported that the AGM report was available on Wirksworth.net

Bolehill: Cllr Haspel reported that the contract for the wall construction was likely to be agreed in the next few days.

Care Centre: Cllr I Ratcliffe reported that the AGM would be held next week.

Heritage Centre: Cllr Brown reported that the formal opening had now taken place.

RESOLVED That the reports be noted.

C140/09 Information:

The following documents had been circulated, for information:

i) Correspondence:

None received.

ii) Tabled at meeting:

a. DALC Circulars

- 17/2010 : General Circular – Community Response Plan; Tackling Antisocial Behaviour; Bringing People Together; War Memorials Trust Publication.
- 18/2010 : Training Dates
- 19/2010 : Derbyshire County Training Partnership
- 20/2010 : Additional Training & HMRC Training

- 21/2010 : General Circular – Registering your Parish/Town Council Property with Land Registry; Vacancies
 - 22/2010 : New Powers for Local Councils to Boost Affordable Rural Housing
- b. EMDA News Spring Edition 2010

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The meeting closed at 7.25 pm

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Chairman