

SEDFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Minutes of the proceedings of the **September**
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT of the **Council** held following the
Environment committee meeting in the **Council Offices**, Advice
& Information Centre, Sedgfield, on
Monday 21st September 2009.

Present **Cllr. May Brown (Chairman) and**
Cllrs. A. Blakemore, H. Clifford-Brown, N. Dunn, S. Hannan, J. Robinson, I.
Sutherland, S. Sutherland, D. Waters

Officer L. K. Swinbank (Town Clerk)

1. Apologies

Cllrs. D. Brown, T. Jeanes, M. Robinson, M. Garrood

2. Declaration of interest

Cllr. May Brown on item 5.1 Thurlow Grange Residents

3. Matters of Information

3.1 Town Plan

The Clerk reported that work is now ongoing for the revision of the Town Plan. The questionnaire results have now been analyzed and the Sedgfield Together Partnership meeting next week will take this forward.

4. Reports

4.1 Youth Council

Cllr. John Robinson gave a brief report on the work of the Youth Council and the Youth Forum. In particular he said that there were a number of bids that are now being made for several activities including: -

- a) For the youth bus to return some evenings each week
- b) To using part of the community college for youth activities
- c) To obtain an appropriate premises for a youth café

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

4.2 Residents' Forum Minutes

The Clerk informed Members that these had been circulated by e-mail.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

4.3 Bowling Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16th July had been circulated. In addition Cllr. John Robinson said there is a further meeting to be held on Thursday 29th October in the Town Council offices at 10 am to progress this.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

4.4 Sedgefield Together Minutes

These had been circulated.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

4.5 Sedgefield 700 Minutes

These had been circulated.

Cllr. Sue Hannan expressed some concerns about the memorial for the Sedgefield 700. The Clerk confirmed that any suggestions/proposals will be brought to the Town Council for approval.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

4.6 Town Twinning

Information has been received from Durham County Council re town twinning.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

4.7 Grants/Projects Update

The Clerk had circulated an up to date list / progress of funding applications.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

5. Correspondence

5.1 Thurlow Grange Residents

Cllr. May Brown declared an interest and took no part in the discussions on this.

A letter has been received requesting a small grant from the Town Council to purchase

materials for the Thurlow Grange Art Group.

RECOMMENDED

To give a grant of £50. This was agreed using the Power of Well being.

In addition to suggest application be made to the wind farm money for additional funding.

6. Civic & Mayors Events: Progress Report

A brief report was given on the following: -

6.1 Mayor's Quiz – 30th October

Tickets are nearly sold out – the Clerk suggested that anyone wanting tickets should contact the office immediately.

6.2 Music Night – 27th November

Cllr. Sheila Sutherland, Mayor of Sedgefield gave details of the artists for this evening – tickets available from the Council Offices.

6.3 Carol Service and Cheese and Wine – 10th December

The Clerk informed Members that this will be held in St. Edmund's Church on 10th December and following in the Parish Hall.

6.4 Mayor's Ball – 5th March 2010

Again this will be held at Hardwick Hall Hotel.

6.5 Citizen of the Year

The Clerk informed Members that the Sedgefield News is publishing the nomination form for the Citizen of the Year competition whilst the Sedgefield Extra also includes information on the award. The judging of this will take place in November.

6.6 Coach Trip

The Clerk informed Members that the coach trip will be the first Wednesday in December and will be to Heighley Gate near Morpeth and returning via the Metro Centre.

6.7 Firework Display

The Clerk confirmed that everyone involved has now confirmed that it will be convenient to hold this on Wednesday 4th November - 7 pm at Ceddesfeld Hall.

6.8 Lantern Display

The Clerk informed Members that there will be an event for the Lantern Display as usual.

6.9 Turn on Lights / Snowman Parade

Members were informed that this is in hand and that Angela Simpson, Community Development Officer is seeking funding for the event.

6.10 NYE Dance

Tickets are now on sale for the dance – available from the Council Offices.

7. Christmas Lights

The Clerk informed Members that a meeting is to be held with Blachere and details will be brought to the next meeting.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.20 p.m.