

# **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 12<sup>th</sup> September 2011.**

**Present**            **Cllr. M. Robinson (Chairman)**  
                         **Cllr. M. Brown (Vice-Chairman) and**  
                         Cllrs. P. Bodo, A. Blakemore, D. Brown, H. Clifford-Brown, N. Dunn, S. Green,  
                         T. Jeanes, J. Robinson, I. Sutherland, S. Sutherland

**Officer**            L. K. Swinbank (Town Clerk)

**1. Apologies**

Cllr. D. Waters

**2. Declaration of interest**

None

**3. Matters of Information**

**3.1 Christmas Lights**

The Clerk informed Members that the trunking was no underway for the new lights. In addition she had asked for trunking to be extended outside of the original contract to the end of the area of green in order that additional lights in the future can be added without having to employ the contractor again.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To receive the information**

**3.2 Bowling Green**

The Clerk said that there seems to be some movement on this at Durham County Council where Estates have now promised to look at the application for the lease in the near future.

**4. Reports**

**4.1 Grants/Projects Update**

Information had been circulated.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To receive the information**

**4.2 Sedgefield 700**

The report on the meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> August had been circulated.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To receive the information**

**4.3 Future of Farmers' Market**

A report had been circulated. Members felt that the Market should be publicized further and the situation reviewed after six months.

**5. Correspondence**

**5.1 Removal of Signage: A177, Sedgefield**

A letter has been received from Mr. Andy Niven regarding the removal of signs on the A177 near the Country Park.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To receive the information**

**5.2 Eden Drive Repair/ Replace quotes: Craig Fowler: DCC**

Costs of repair have been received from DCC.

**RECOMMENDED**

**Not to take any action on this at this time.**

**6. Civic & Mayors Events**

This had been circulated.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To receive the information**

**7. Fair Trade**

Cllr. John Robinson said he had been approached regarding the Council using Fair Trade produce etc.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To include on the booking form for the Parish Hall and ask all users to consider using Fair Trade Produce.**

**8. Durham Police Authority Community Awards**

Information had been emailed to all Members and circulated.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To receive the information**

**9. Snowman Parade**

The Clerk informed Members that it was intended to extend the Snowman Parade by having a Craft Fair in Ceddesfeld Hall in the afternoon immediately prior to the Parade and serve warm mince pies etc.

**10. Christmas Lights**

As discussed earlier.

**11. Council Freeman for the Regiment**

Cllr. Robinson gave details of one of the events for the Sedgefield 700 whereby a regiment would be marching through Sedgefield.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To ask the Veterans to put in writing their request for the Regiment to be awarded as Freeman.**

**12. Telephone Box – Jubilee Gardens**

The Clerk confirmed that the Sedgefield Extra had included a request for Residents to make their views regarding use / removal of the telephone box in Jubilee Gardens.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To include in the next Sedgefield Extra that it is now proposed to remove the telephone box and await any comments before taking the decision to ask BT to remove it permanently.**

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.38 p.m.