

SEDGEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

POLICY & RESOURCES

Minutes of the proceedings of the **April POLICY & RESOURCES** of the **Council** held following the Monthly meeting in the **Council Offices**, Advice & Information Centre, Sedgefield, on **Monday 11th April 2011**.

Present **Cllr. John Robinson (Chairman)**
Cllr. Dudley Waters (Vice-Chairman) and
Cllrs. P. Bodo, A. Blakemore, D. Brown, M. Brown, H. Clifford-Brown, I. Sutherland, S. Sutherland

Officer L. K. Swinbank (Town Clerk)

1. Apologies

Cllrs. S. Hannan, T. Jeanes, M. Robinson, R. Taylor, N. Dunn

2. Declaration of interest

None

3. Matters of Information

3.1 CCTV

The Town Council is continuing to withhold all payments until the double taxation issues are solved and are awaiting the letter from Spennymoor Town Council which has been agreed between the relevant town and parish councils.

4. Reports

None

5. Financial Matters

5.1 Monthly Accounts

RESOLVED

The monthly accounts as had been circulated were approved for payment

5.2 Donations / Grants

RESOLVED: To use the Power of Well Being to give grants/donations.

(Trained Councillors)

JR, DW, HCB, RT, ND, SH, DB, TJ, AB, IS, SS, MR, MB)

None received

5.3 Revision of budget 2010 / 2011

The Clerk suggested that this be postponed until the May meeting. This was agreed.

5.4 End of year return and accounts 2010 / 2011

The Clerk had circulated the draft accounts including the: -

- **Supporting Statement**
- **Balance Sheet**
- **Income / Expenditure Account**
- **Income / Expenditure Calculations**
- **Financial Summary**
- **Statement of Accounts**
- **Annual Governance Statements**

RESOLVED

To receive the above

5.5 Durham Miners' Gala Brochure Advertising

RESOLVED

Not to take any action on this

5.6 Christmas Lights: Funding

Cllr David Brown confirmed that he would be supporting the application of £5,000 towards the trunking for Christmas lights and also additional funding for the proposed exercise equipment.

6. Training

None to date

7. Correspondence

7.1 Help4Hereos: email Mr. D. Hillerby

RESOLVED

To write to Royal Wootton Bassett congratulating them on receiving their Royal status

8. New Tractor

The Clerk reported that a new (second hand tractor) is available from Gills. The cost is £9,000 with less than 300 hours of working. It is three years old is 30 hp and is a front loader with grass tyres. The new price was £18,000.

RESOLVED

To defer this until the next meeting

9. Wind Turbines

Cllr. John Robinson suggested that due to the concerns about the cumulative effect of the proposed Wind farms around Sedgefield it would be beneficial to invite Councillor Neil Foster and Planning Officer Stuart Timmiss from DCC to a meeting of the Town Council.

RESOLVED

This was agreed – the date to be arranged

10. Sedgefield Extra – Re-charge

The Clerk asked for a policy re charging / not charging for additional sheets in the Sedgefield Extra i.e. information from Sedgefield Together and also Sedgefield in Bloom.

RESOLVED

Not to re-charge for the additional sheets in the Extra

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.30 p.m.