

# SEDGEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

## POLICY & RESOURCES

Minutes of the proceedings of the **JUNE POLICY & RESOURCES** of the **Council** held at **7 p.m.** in the **Council Offices**, Advice & Information Centre, Sedgefield, on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2008.**

**Present**                    **Cllr. Dudley Waters (Acting Chairman) and**  
Cllrs. T. Jeanes, A. Blakemore, D. Brown, M. Brown, H. Clifford-Brown, N. Dunn,  
M. Garrood, S. Hannan, M. Robinson, I. Sutherland

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

**1. Apologies**

Cllrs. R. Taylor, J. Robinson

**2. Declaration of interest**

None

**3. Matters of Information**

**3.1 Council Offices: LIP Application**

Members asked when it was likely that this would be discussed. The Clerk replied that she had been told that there was limited funding left within LIP, however there may be other avenues to explore.

**RESOLVED**

**To place the Council Offices alterations onto the P&R agenda for July**

**3.2 Sports Hall**

No progress: Still waiting information from DCC

**3.3 BSF**

Cllr. Sue Hannan is attending the meeting and will report back in July.

**3.4 Sedgefield Together**

The Clerk informed Members that the meeting of the Working Party has been scheduled for

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August.

## **4. Reports**

### **4.1 Youth Council**

The Clerk had prepared and circulated a report/information on the Youth Council. This gives a basic outline of the development of the Youth Council and also recommendations for funding.

#### **RESOLVED**

- i) To give an appropriate budget to the Youth Council – this to be agreed at the next meeting**
- ii) To pay the Youth Council £20 each time their representatives attend the Community Development committee**

### **4.2 Review of STC Training Policy**

The Clerk had reviewed and circulated draft copy of the STC Training Policy. This recognizes the importance now placed on continued professional development for both Members and Officers.

#### **RESOLVED**

**To adopt the revised Training Policy**

## **5. Financial Matters**

### **5.1 Monthly Accounts**

#### **RESOLVED**

**The monthly accounts as had been circulated were approved for payment**

The Clerk answered the query raised at the previous meeting in regard of the May accounts containing several zero amounts. It was explained that these were approvals from the previous year which had been a best estimate and related primarily to the Parish Hall.

#### **RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

### **5.2 Donations / Grants: Section 137**

#### **5.2.1 Butterwick Hospice – Car Rally**

A letter has been received from Butterwick Hospice requesting a donation towards the costs for the Classic and British Car event which is to be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June on the Village Green.

#### **RESOLVED**

**To give a donation of £50**

#### **5.2.2 Durham Miners Heritage Group**

#### **RESOLVED**

**Not to give a donation at this time**

**5.2.3 CAB Funding**

A letter has been received from CAB seeking the grant from the Town Council.

**RESOLVED**

**To give a grant of £500 (the same as in 2007)**

**(This was given using Section 142)**

**6. Training**

None received

**7 Correspondence**

**7.1 Holiday Park – Public Inquiry**

An email has now been received from Neil Robson at Ward Hadaway giving details of the work they are undertaking on behalf of the Town Council.

**8. Personnel**

**8.1 Temporary Garden Help: Arrangements Gardening Summer Season**

The Clerk had circulated a report for consideration re additional gardening help over the Summer Season.

**RESOLVED**

**The Town Council to employ somebody on a 15 hour a week casual part-time basis until the end of October. This to be paid the minimum rate of £6 an hour.**

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.25 pm.