

SEDGEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

POLICY & RESOURCES

Minutes of the proceedings of the **NOVEMBER POLICY & RESOURCES** of the **Council** held following the Monthly meeting in the **Council Offices**, Advice & Information Centre, Sedgefield, on **Monday 8th November 2010**.

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

Officer L. K. Swinbank (Town Clerk)

1. Apologies

Cllrs. D. Brown

2. Declaration of interest

None

3. Matters of Information

3.1 Council Offices Alterations

On hold

3.2 CCTV

Payment is being withheld until the Double Taxation issues are addressed.

4. Reports

4.1 Parish Hall: Computer

A report was given on the meeting with Chris Blakeborough and the Players re lighting in the Hall.

RESOLVED

The Town Council to purchase a new computer tower for the control room at the back of the Parish Hall. The screen has been given by Aycliffe Town Council.

5. Financial Matters

5.1 Monthly Accounts

RESOLVED

The monthly accounts as had been circulated were approved for payment

5.2 Donations / Grants:

None received

5.3 Review / Estimates 2010 / 2011

The Clerk circulated the estimates for 2010/11 and which also included budget estimates (based on a nil % increase in precept) for 2011/2012.

RESOLVED

- i) To receive the information**
- ii) To arrange a precept meeting to discuss in detail**

6. Training

The current CTP training schedule had been circulated.

RESOLVED

To receive the information

7. Correspondence

7.1 Email re Blues Concert: Environmental Health

An email from Environmental Health Offices had been circulated. This confirmed they had attended the last Blues Concert.

RESOLVED

To receive the information

7.2 Festive Lighting: Ferryhill Town Council

A quote of £3,254 plus VAT had been received from Ferryhill Town Council for the putting up / down of the festive lighting.

RESOLVED

To accept the price

7.3 Precept Information

A request for information re 2011/12 precepts has been received from CDALC. This to be discussed at the precept meeting in January.

7.4 Double Taxation: DCC

Information has been received from DCC indicating that they will not be discussing / negotiating Double taxation again until 2014/2015. The Clerk informed Members that this will be discussed at the LLC meeting on Friday.

RESOLVED

To receive the information

8. SDT Representatives

RESOLVED

To defer until December

9. DCC Budget Consultation

Information was circulated re consultation on the DCC budget.

RESOLVED

To receive the information

10. Fireworks Balance Sheet

The Clerk informed Members that despite an increase in the cost of the fireworks there had been a substantial increase in ticket money and as a result a small amount of £82 had been made.

RESOLVED

i) To receive the information

ii) To arrange a meeting in September 2011 to discuss arrangements for that display in November

11. Stray Dogs Review

DCC is currently considering a report as above. Implications include withdrawal of the free poop a scoop bags.

RESOLVED

To receive the information and consider purchasing from DCC – together with other local councils on a re-charge basis

12. St Edmund's Churchyard

An email has been received from Mr. Todd re the cutting back of bushes behind the Pottery.

RESOLVED

To agree to Mr. Todd undertaking the work himself

13. Fencing: Winterton Allotment

RESOLVED

- i) **To accept the quote of £3,000 from Keith's Timber Products for 4 ft high fence / gate around the allotments**
- ii) **To inform the Residents of Winterton Cottages**

14. Marquee – Ceddesfeld Grounds

A request has been received to place a marquee in the grounds of Ceddesfeld for a wedding on June 11th 2011.

RESOLVED

To agree use of the grounds (cost £100) and subject to usual public liability insurance, security etc.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45 p.m.