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APPLEBY TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD IN THE MOOT HALL ON WEDNESDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2017 at 7.00pm

Present:

Mayor:	Cllr Pape	
Deputy Mayor:		
Councillors:	Cllr Mrs Anderton	Cllr Dougherty
	Cllr Ms Blair	Cllr Hayes
	Cllr Connell	Cllr Miss Hutchinson
	Cllr Mrs Dixon-Dougherty	Cllr Mrs Kendall

Also in attendance: Cumbria County Councillor Martin Stephenson, Eden District Councillor Mrs Karen Greenwood, Mayor's Chaplain Revd. Roger Collinson

Prior to the start of the meeting Cllr Pape advised the Council that he had with regret received and accepted Cllr Smith's resignation. Cllr Smith felt unable to continue with his commitment to the Council due to anticipated changes with regard to his working hours. It was agreed that the Council would write a letter of thanks to Cllr Smith.

C1/02/17 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Chalmers and Cllr Rooke in respect of this meeting.

ACTION

Clerk

C2/02/17 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Connell and Cllr Mrs Kendall declared a personal interest in any items on the agenda that relate to Eden District Council.

Clerk

Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.

C3/02/17 Minutes

Council

It was **RESOLVED** to authorise the Mayor to sign the minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting of the Council** held on **Wednesday 18th January 2017** as a true and accurate record and the Council to approve any resolutions.

Cllr Pape

Committees

It was **RESOLVED** to authorise the Chairman of the Committee to sign the minutes of the **Finance Committee** held on **Monday 13th February 2017** as a true and accurate record and the Council to approve any recommendations.

**Cllr Mrs
Dixon-
Dougherty**

The signing of the minutes of the **Planning & General Purpose Committee** held on **Monday 13th February 2017** as a true and accurate record and the Council to approve any recommendations was deferred as the minutes were not available.

It was **RESOLVED** to authorise the Chairman of the Committee to sign the minutes of the **Property Committee** held on **Monday 13th February 2017** as a true and accurate record and the Council to approve any recommendations.

**Cllr Mrs
Anderton**

C4/02/17 Questions to be received from the public

There were no questions received from the public.

C5/02/17 Police Report

It was **RESOLVED** to receive and note the Police's written report. No other matters were raised.

C6/02/17 County and District Councillors Reports'

County

It was **RESOLVED** to receive and note Cumbria County Councillor Stephenson's written report. Cllr Stephenson advised that due to future budget pressures both the County Council and the Police were looking at the ongoing costs of Appleby Horse Fair. It was felt that there would be no significant changes for this year's Fair but this may not always be the case. Since the formation of the Multi Agency Strategic Co-ordinating Group the management of the Fair has improved each year. Cllr Pape said a return to the "bad old days" would not be welcomed.

Clerk

District

It was **RESOLVED** to receive and note Cllr Connell's and Cllr Mrs Greenwood's written report. Cllr Mrs Greenwood advised that the grant from Eden District Council toward the operation of the Tourist Information Centre had been approved for 2017 – 2018 but it was thought would not continue in future years. She also advised that she had received an assurance from Cllr Todd regarding the Riverside Shelters that "the work has been agreed and ordered..... and that it was *hoped* that the work would be completed before Easter." The Church Railings are now to be replaced in cast iron rather than the mild steel originally proposed. Cllr Stephenson asked if there was a specific reason why the new housing sites proposed in the revised Eden Local Plan 2014 – 2032 where all on the Bongate side of the river and none in Appleby. Cllr Connell advised that sites in Appleby were considered during the first consultation but had been discounted at this stage.

C7/02/17 Mayor's Report

Cllr Pape advised that on Saturday 11th February 2017 he and the Mayoress, together with the Deputy Mayor and Cllr Mrs Anderton, Cllr Connell and Cllr Mrs Kendall had attended the licencing service for the Revd. Peter Boyles at St Lawrence's Church. On Tuesday 14th February 2017 to Thursday 16th February 2017 the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Mayoress welcomed visitors to the town who had arrived on the Tornado Steam Train. It is estimated that over 5,500 people visited the town over the 3 days and there was considerable national media interest. Cllr Pape also thanked everyone who had donated raffle prizes for the Senior Citizens lunch which will be held on Thursday 2nd March 2017.

C8/02/17 Clerk's Report

The Clerk gave a verbal report which included:

- The Council have been advised that the Appleby Festival of Fire and Light will be taking place again this year on Saturday 28th October 2017 at Appleby Castle.
- A thank you letter had been received from the Great North Air Ambulance Service following the Council's donation of £250.
- A email had been received from Appleby Town Band advising that they wished to sell some of the old instruments to buy new ones as band membership was increasing. It was **RESOLVED** that in principal the Council had no objections but would like to be kept informed.
- A flood alert has been issued by the Environment Agency for as a result of the heavy rainfall forecast for tomorrow. It was not envisaged at this stage, unless the forecast changes, that there is any risk of flooding.

C9/02/17 Outside Body Reports

Cllr Mrs Anderton advised that she had attended an Academy Governors' meeting on Thursday 9th February 2017 and Foundation Governors on Monday 13th February 2017. She advised that to comply with current security standards for schools some fencing and other measures were to be installed. Cllr Mrs Anderton had also attended a meeting of Appleby Community Acting Together on Tuesday 14th February 2017 and had been asked to pass on the groups thanks for the Councils contribution towards the Christmas lights.

C10/02/17 Schedule of Payments & Bank Transfers - January 2017



It was **RESOLVED** that the Mayor be authorised to sign the schedule of payments for the month of January 2017, totalling **£8,781.35**. This figure includes employee salaries and purchases; and is inclusive of VAT. It was also **RESOLVED** that the Mayor be authorised to sign the transfer of funds for January 2017 totalling **£4,968.73**.

Cllr Pape

C11/02/2017 Council Procedures

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following Council documents for use and publication for 2017:

Clerk

- Complaints Procedure
- Model Publication Scheme

C12/02/17 Councillors' reports and items for future agendas

Cllr Connell advised that there was work to repair the flood damage in St Lawrence's Church taking place and that the organ had been wrapped in plastic to protect it from any dust. Cllr Stephenson advised that if any senior citizens required transport Appleby Rotary Club were able to assist.

C13/02/17 Date of the Next Meeting

Councillors noted that the **Ordinary Meeting of the Council** will be held on **Wednesday 22nd March 2017** at 7pm.

ALL

All meetings of the Council are open to the public and are held in the Moot Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.50pm

AT THE COUNCIL MEETING ON:

WEDNESDAY 22ND MARCH 2017

THE MAYOR WAS AUTHORISED BY
THE COUNCIL TO SIGN THESE MINUTES TO
CONFIRM THEIR BEING AN ACCURATE RECORD:

