


Minutes of Special Council meeting held 19/04/2016

Present:

Steve Walmsley, Ian Bailey, Sonia Bailey, Tracy Stott, Mick Moore, Pat Large, Tina Large, Sylvia Walmsley (minute taker)

EM-16-5	Notice of Meeting
EM-16-6	Apologies – Ian Dalgarno, Derrick Brown, Ray Godwin, Mick Hills, Glenn Eastick,
EM-16-7	Code of Conduct – No declarations of interest
EM-16-8	Public Participation - None
EM-16-9	<p>FINANCE</p> <p>Following discussions with the Chair/Clerk, the following explanations were given:</p> <p>Audit Timetable for Review being dealt with by SV Bye and Town Clerk</p> <p>Financial risk assessment Inadequate cover is the risk To manage that risk it is up to council to review. If council think that the cover is too low then the action would be to increase the cover (could lead to increase in insurance).</p> <p>Explanation from Clerk re Town Hall payments:</p> <p>Town Hall Loan/Rent repayment the same. Loan repayment to Public Works Loans Board is paid out of the TTC THRP account twice a year in May and November. Every year TTC set aside £8,000 for that repayment – shown as rent on financial report DMN Project Management invoiced TTC last year for rent for the council office. A cheque (3248) was then made out for £4,040 – in effect to cover the loan repayment leaving £3960. So £4040 has been paid out. Therefore leaving £3960 to drop into reserves. If the £4040 had not been taken out then council would think that there would be £8000 dropping into reserves when there isn't.</p> <p>All above noted.</p> <p>ALLOCATION OF RESERVES</p> <p>All monies for Special Projects to be spent in Thornaby; each to be considered on its own merits. £5k was awarded at the last meeting to the Sea Scouts</p> <p>a) Asian Network (Education for Opportunities) have applied for a grant of £5k and submitted extensive information regarding their group and aims. It was agreed that this is a worthwhile project and that £5k be approved. Chair to</p>

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	<p>liaise with Clerk to process.</p> <p>b) Future projects in the pipeline that we know of at the moment are Always Advancing improvements and Dibbles Bridge memorial both in the early stages of process. Chair indicated that other schemes would be judged on urgency or merit.</p>
	Application from Poplars Nursing Home for £100 from the Queen's Birthday allocation money – approved.
	Request for High Flyers & Riverbank Nurseries to be included in the Defibrillator programme – approved, Chair to notify Clerk
EM-16-10	<p>Articles in Thornaby Pride</p> <p>Council Comments re Football Club Issue was debated and comments taken on board – though Chair presented facts which members should have been aware of. TTC is represents the people of Thornaby and they are entitled to both truth and protection from aggressive development.</p> <p>Deadline for next articles is end of May with probable distribution date of end June. All members are welcome to contribute – though it was stressed by the Chair any article/piece must be newsworthy/interesting.</p>
EM-16-11	<p>Thornaby Taxis – Thornaby Town Taxis (TTT) have contacted the Chair to confirm that they are revising their pricing structure. Chair expressed satisfaction and praised TTC as being the only firm to respond to TTC criticism of what is an advertising anomaly – i.e. fixed price for anywhere in Thornaby not honoured. Chair suggested that TTT's response should be applauded and suggested dedicated space in the next edition of Thornaby Pride be allocated for an article/ad. Members agreed.</p> <p>Letter to be sent to SBC Trading Standards. Councillor Ian Bailey suggested that similar letter to be sent to Middlesbrough Council regarding misleading advertisements. Members agreed. Chair to action</p>
EM-16-12	<p>Matters for information:</p> <p>None</p>
EM-16-13	Date & time of Next Meeting:

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