



**THORNABY TOWN COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING MINUTES TO BE HELD ON
MONDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2019 @ 6.00PM IN THE TOWN HALL**

Present: Cllr Steve Walmsley (Chair)
Cllr Les Hodge
Cllr Ray Godwin
Cllr Luke Frost
Cllr Mick Moore
Cllr Zeb Khaliq
Cllr Sylvia Walmsley (minute Taker in the absence of the TC)

EX-19-12 NOTICE OF MEETING:
The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

EX-19-13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:
Cllr Pat Large
Cllr Tina Large
Cllr Sue Frost
Cllr Glenn Eastick
Cllr Ian Dalgarno
Cllr John Flynn

EX-19-14 CODE OF CONDUCT:
There were no declarations of interest

EX-19-15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:
Theresa Cave was the only member of the public present.

EX-19-16 THERESA CAVE/KNIFE CRIME: for discussion
Cllr Ray Godwin introduced Theresa Cave and she thanked the Council for inviting her to the meeting. She stated that TTC was the first council to invite her to speak or get involved since the murder of her son Chris in 2003 aged seventeen years old. She explained that Chris had a good job and was working part time with youth organisations, Connections. Chris had befriended a lad in Connections to help him, a gang of youths came to the door, Chris refused them entry and ten minutes later they returned with a knife and stabbed him in the back nineteen times. Theresa lobbied for stronger sentences as six youths were involved but only one youth was charged and he only got a thirteen year sentence. She campaigned to get the flat pulled down but it took over thirteen months before it happened.

Theresa has lobbied the government to bring back stop and search. She supports families as an advocate. She explained to kids how knife crime destroys life and has developed a programme, Stab packs on how to deal with knife wounds etc.

It was discussed how TTC could help. Ideas were:

- Future office space in the Town Hall
- Stab packs to be circulated in Secondary Schools. Theresa to write text for schools to get involved which will be circulated by TTC
- Provide an article on Chris for the Thornaby Pride

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- To get the two secondary schools together for a workshop at the Academy (2 hours) TTC to fund
- Theresa to have a gazebo at the proposed Music Fest and for Thornaby Show.
- Theresa to present a workshop to TTC
- To propose a workshop in January for parents at Victoria Rec
Cllr Ray Godwin to co-ordinate

DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING:

Monday 25th November 2019

SIGNED:

S. Wainwright

DATE:

25 - 11 - 2019