

## FERRYHILL TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the **ORDINARY** meeting of the Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Ferryhill, on **WEDNESDAY, 20<sup>th</sup> JULY 2016** at **7.00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** *Councillor:* P Atkinson (Chair)

*Councillors:* M Walton, K Conroy, D Harrison, J Makepeace, B Lamb,  
P Crathorne, K Campbell, G Barker, B Gibson, M Seymour,  
D Richardson, Z Roddam, D Allen

**OFFICIALS:** D.Snowball, Town Clerk

**IN ATTENDANCE:** S. Hewitson, Committees & Civic Administrator  
T. Murphy, Durham County Council Noise Team

### **28.16-17** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor M Brown, these were approved by resolution of the Council. Councillors T Garrett and A Rimington were not in attendance, however, no apologies were received.

### **29.16-17** **MEMBERS DISPENSATION**

There were no members' dispensations in relation to any item of business on the agenda.

### **30.16-17** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor B Gibson declared an interest in agenda item no. 14, Bertha Street Allotment Site.

### **31.16-17** **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no public questions in relation to any item of business on the agenda.

### **32.16-17** **MINUTES**

Ordinary Council - 15 June 2016

**Moved** by Councillor B Lamb, **Seconded** by Councillor P Crathorne that the minutes are a true and accurate record.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council held on Wednesday 15 June 2016, as circulated, be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

### **33.16-17**      **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Finance, Planning and General Purpose                      -                      15 June 2016

**Moved** by Councillor B Lamb, **Seconded** by Councillor K Campbell Crathorne that the minutes are a true and accurate record.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Finance, Planning and General Purpose Committee held on Wednesday 15 June 2016, as circulated, be approved and adopted.

### **34.16-17**      **OTHER MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the 2000 Committee, held on 15 June 2016, previously circulated, be received.

### **35.16-17**      **MEMBERS REPORTS**

The following Members gave verbal reports about recent meetings they have attended:

Councillor G Barker	Dean Bank Residents	6 <sup>th</sup> July 2016
Councillor P Atkinson	PACT Meeting	6 <sup>th</sup> July 2016
Councillor Z Roddam	Friends of Dean Bank	17 <sup>th</sup> June 2016

**RESOLVED** that the reports be received.

### **36.16-17**      **TOWN HALL EXTERIOR PAINTING**

Members considered the report previously circulated.

**Moved** by Councillor B Lamb, **Seconded** by Councillor K Campbell to accept quotation c) from Braddec Ltd £6,180.00

#### **RESOLVED**

That the quotation of £6,180.00 from Braddec Ltd. is accepted and the project is commenced at the earliest opportunity.

### **37.16-17**      **NOMINATIONS FOR COUNTY DURHAM ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS, Executive Committee (CDALC)**

Members considered the report previously circulated.

**Moved** by Councillor K Conroy, **Seconded** by Councillor P Crathorne that Councillor B Lamb be nominated for the Executive Committee.

Councillor B Gibson proposed Councillor J Makepeace for nomination, however, Councillor Makepeace declined.

Members therefore voted on the nomination for Councillor Lamb:

For	8
Against	4
Abstain	2
Absent	3

**RESOLVED** that Councillor B Lamb's name be put forward to Steve Ragg for inclusion on the agenda for the CDALC Annual General Meeting for consideration.

**38.16-17**      **EAST HOWLE CROSSINGS WAR MEMORIAL**

Members considered the report previously circulated.

**RESOLVED** that members receive this report.

**39.16-17**      **COUNTY DURHAM PLAN ISSUES AND OPTIONS CONSULTATION  
SUMMER 2016**

Members considered the report previously circulated. Councillor Crathrone advised members to respond to the County Durham Plan and the issue of the lack of regeneration in small villages.

**RESOLVED**

That members:

- a) Visit the consultation event at the Town Hall
- b) respond individually to the County Durham Plan Issues and Options Consultation Summer 2016 by no later than 6.00pm Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2016.

**40.16-17**      **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Members moved the following motion:

“That in accordance with the provision of Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council do now exclude the public and press for **ITEMS 14 and 15** only of the Agenda by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to public interest.”

At this point Councillor B Gibson and the 2 members of the public left the meeting.

**41.16-17**      **BERTHA STREET ALLOTMENT SITE**

Members considered the report previously circulated.

Mr Ted Murphy of Durham County Council was in attendance and advised members that the complainant had noise monitoring equipment installed in his bedroom on 29 June 2016 for 7 days. Mr Murphy had listened to the recordings and there was significant noise early on a morning from the cockerel(s) sometimes so loud that the window could have been open, the noise was heard a number of times on various dates and the complainant was is genuine.

Mr Murphy informed Members that there is a noise nuisance on this site and if nothing is done to eradicate the problem then an abatement notice will be served on the Council which could be a fine of £5,000.

**RESOLVED** that Mr Murphy provide details of the Council that had a similar problem and the Clerk contact them to find out what can be do to alleviate this problem.

Councillor B Gibson returned to the meeting.

**42.16-17**      **LEGAL ISSUE**

Members considered the report previously circulated.

**RESOLVED** that this information be received.

The 2 members of the public returned to the meeting.

**43.16-17**      **RELEVANT CORRESPONDENCE**

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| 1. | Durham County Council | Draft Durham City Sustainable Transport Strategy 2016 - 2033 |
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**RESOLVED**  
that this be received.

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| 2. | Ferryhill Banner Group | Thank you for the donation |
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**RESOLVED**  
that this be received.

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| 3. | Chamber of Commerce | Notification of suspension |
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**RESOLVED**

that this be received

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.45pm.

**CERTIFIED AS A TRUE RECORD**

**CHAIR**.....

**DATE**.....