

FERRYHILL TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the **ORDINARY** meeting of the Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Ferryhill, on **WEDNESDAY, 19th APRIL 2017** at **7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT: *Councillor:* P Atkinson (Chair)

Councillors: Z Roddam, M Walton, K Conroy, A Patchett, B Lamb, P Crathorne,
K Campbell

OFFICIALS: D. Snowball, Town Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: D. Shingleton, Accountant

143.16-17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors;
J Makepeace; M Brown; B Gibson; G Barker and D Allen
and these were approved by resolution of the Council.

Apologies not received but absent; Councillors T Garrett and M. Seymour

144.16-17 MEMBERS DISPENSATION

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

145.16-17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in relation to any item of business on the agenda.

146.16-17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

147.16-17 MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting - 15th March 2017

Moved by Councillor K. Conroy, **Seconded** by Councillor P. Crathorne that the minutes are a true and accurate.

RESOLVED

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 15 March 2017 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Extraordinary meeting - 29 March 2017

Moved by Councillor K. Conroy, **Seconded** by Councillor P. Crathorne that the minutes are a true and accurate.

RESOLVED

The minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 29 March 2017 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

148.16-17 **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

- a) Finance, Planning and General Purpose - 15 March 2017
Committee

Moved by Councillor K. Conroy, **Seconded** by Councillor P. Crathorne that the minutes are a true and accurate.

RESOLVED

The minutes of the Finance, Planning and General Purpose meeting held on 15 March 2017 be received and that the said minutes be approved and adopted.

- b) Property, Environment and Recreation - 15 March 2017
Committee

Moved by Councillor K. Conroy, **Seconded** by Councillor P. Crathorne that the minutes are a true and accurate.

RESOLVED

The minutes of the Property, Environment and Recreation meeting held on 15 March 2017 be received and that the said minutes be approved and adopted.

149.16-17 **OTHER MINUTES**

- a) 2000 Committee - 15 March 2017

RESOLVED

That the minutes be received.

150.16-17 **MEMBERS REPORTS**

Reports were received from the following meetings:

Councillor P Atkinson updated the meeting on the PACT meeting that he had attended on 30th March. 19 Traffic violations, resident issues on parking in the doctors/dentist location and concern on the increased traffic from the Thinford roundabout closure.

There were issues of anti social behaviour in the Broom Road area, King George V park and Ferryhill Station and a main issue in the Bertha Street/Osbourne Terrace areas that had ben set as a priority area.

RESOLVED

That the report be received.

151.16-17 MOTION ON NOTICE

An Amendment was Moved by Councillor P. Crathorne and Seconded by Councillor K. Conroy that the following is added to the motion:

To also include any ex councillor who has resigned or not been re elected.

Councillor Lamb confirmed that he accepted the amendment proposed by Councillor Crathorne and subsequently the motion was amended accordingly.

In accordance with a Notice of Motion, it was Moved by Councillor B. Lamb and Seconded by Councillor K. Conroy that:

'Any Ferryhill Town Councillor who breaks confidentiality that incurs costs to Ferryhill Town Council and ultimately the tax payer of Ferryhill that the Town Clerk seeks legal advice on reclaiming the costs from that individual and to include any ex councillor who has resigned or not been re elected. '

RESOLVED

Any Ferryhill Town Councillor who breaks confidentiality that incurs costs to Ferryhill Town Council and ultimately the tax payer of Ferryhill that the Town Clerk seeks legal advice on reclaiming the costs from that individual and to include any ex councillor who has resigned or not been re elected.

152.16-17 COUNCILLORS CODE OF CONDUCT

Members considered the report previously circulated.

RESOLVED

That this be received.

153.16-17 APPROVAL OF ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The accountant explained that the final accounts process is to approve the annual return and corporate governance statement and that he is happy for members at the next meeting to sign the annual return.

Moved by Councillor P. Crathorne, **Seconded** by Councillor B. Lamb to approve the annual governance statement in relation to the year ended 31st March 2017.

RESOLVED

That the annual governance statement in relation to the year ended 31st March 2017 is approved.

154.16-17 SENIOR CITIZENS TRIP 2017

Moved by Councillor B. Lamb, **Seconded** by Councillor P. Crathorne to agree the report recommendations.

RESOLVED

That :

a) The contract for the hire of the coaches for the trip is awarded to Scarlett Band

and

b) The trip fees to be:-

		£
i)	Child	3.00
ii)	Senior Citizens	4.00
iii)	Adult	6.00

155.16-17 CORPORATE PLAN 2017 - 2020

The Town Clerk briefly explained the document and the importance of the agreement of the Town Council's vision, mission statement and core values as detailed in the plan.

Moved by Councillor B. Lamb, **Seconded** by Councillor P. Crathorne that the Corporate Plan 2017 – 2020 be approved and adopted.

RESOLVED

That the Corporate Plan 2017 – 2020 be approved and adopted.

156.16-17 ASSET PLAN 2017 - 2020

The Town Clerk briefly explained the plan and how it linked into the corporate plan and also the medium term financial plan and will help to better prepare the council on the investment required into its assets.

Councillor M. Walton requested that six monthly updates be brought to council, possibly six monthly, on progress and this was agreed as a good proposal.

Moved by Councillor K Conroy, **Seconded** by Councillor M. Walton that the Asset Plan 2017 – 2020 be approved and adopted.

RESOLVED

That the Asset Plan 2017 – 2020 be approved and adopted.

157.16-17 RELEVANT CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. Sandra and Bill Priestly Thank you card for the mayor visit and card and flowers for their celebration

RESOLVED
That this be received.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.20pm.

CERTIFIED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIR.....

DATE.....