

FERRYHILL TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the **EXTRAORDINARY MEETING** of the Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Ferryhill, on **WEDNESDAY, 11th OCTOBER 2017** at **7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT: **Councillor:** John Lindsay (Chair)

Councillors: K Campbell, M Walton, J Cansella, A Smith,
J Makepeace, K Conroy, P Atkinson, M Brown, G Barker,
Z Roddam, M Seymour, R Shepperd

OFFICIALS: D. Snowball, Town Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: S Hewitson, Committees & Civic Administrator
K Younghusband, Grants & Projects Officer

67.17-18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors C Atkinson and D Farry these were approved by resolution of the Council.

68.17-18 MEMBERS DISPENSATIONS

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

69.17-18 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor P Atkinson declared an interest in agenda item 7. Although no longer a member of Ferryhill Town Band Councillor Atkinson still had a close association with the Band.

70.17-18 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no public questions on this occasion.

71.17-18 MINUTES

Following a request at the last Council meeting that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 19 July 2017 be amended, the Chairman advised Members that the Clerk had reviewed the minutes, and the request to amend minute number 41.17-18 was accepted, this was duly amended. Minute number 31.17-18 was found to be accurate so this would not to be amended.

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

Councillor J Cansella requested a named vote:

Members agreed unanimously

Proposal 6: Former Bowls Pavilion (£120,000)

Members agreed unanimously to demolish upon funding being secured to develop the Bungalow project (proposals 15 & 16)

Proposal 15: Existing Bungalow (£165,000)

Members agreed unanimously

Proposal 16: Land around the Bungalow (£50,000)

Members agreed unanimously with the inclusion of adequate CCTV as a security measure

Councillor Makepeace asked that provision be made for effective maintenance of the buildings in future budgets.

Members discussed the Finance options for the project and agreed to apply for a loan for £100,000 in principal. Once loan approval was received, the Grants & Projects Officer would then apply for the necessary external grant funding. Members were made aware that if a loan was to be taken out it would be conditional upon Council Tax not increasing to cover the cost of loan repayments.

It was also decided that in order to progress with the project it would be worthwhile to establish a Working Group comprising 6 Members (3 Labour, 2 F.A.I.R and 1 Independent to ensure the group was representative of the Political make-up of the Council), the Grants & Projects Officer, the Works Manager and 2 representatives from both the History Society and Ferryhill Town Band, to fully develop a Volunteer led Activity Programme, to accompany and strengthen any funding application being submitted to the Heritage Lottery Fund.

The following members were nominated for the Working Party:

J Cansella	Labour
R Shepperd	Labour
Z Roddam	Labour
M Brown	FAIR
J Makepeace	FAIR
D Farry	Independent

RESOLVED

a) Proposal 18: Footpath from A167 be withdrawn

b) The following proposals be agreed:

Proposal 4: Proposed Bandstand	(£50,000)
Proposal 6: Former Bowls Pavilion	Demolition costs only dependent upon progressing proposals 15 & 16)
Proposal 15: Existing Bungalow	(£165,000)
Proposal 16: Land around the Bungalow	(£50,000)

c) The working party is set up.

d) The loan be applied for in principal and funding be sought from the Heritage Lottery Fund, Leader Programme, Lafarge-Tarmac Ltd, the Big Lottery Fund and the Area Action Partnership.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.50pm.

CERTIFIED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIR.....

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