

FERRYHILL TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the **COUNCIL MEETING** of the Council held on **WEDNESDAY, 15 December 2021** at **6.00 pm** at **Dean Bank & Ferryhill Literary Institute.**

PRESENT: Councillor: D Farry (Chair)

Councillors: C Atkinson, P Atkinson, G Barker, C Bihari, K Conroy,
P Donald, R Hume, B Lamb, J Makepeace,
R Petitjean, J Quinn, K Tinkler

Officials: D.Shingleton, Accountant

90.21-22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors J Lamb, M Seymour, S Varty & C Woods

91.21-22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest declared.

92.21-22 MEMBERS DISPENSATION

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

93.21-22 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

94.21-22 MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of:-

- 1) Council held on 17th November 2021.

Mr Shingleton advised that an amendment was needed to minute number 87.21-22, on the list of Christmas Closure dates, Friday 31st January 2022 should read Friday 31st December 2021, Members agreed to this amendment.

RESOLVED

That the minutes be agreed as a true and accurate record subject to the above amendment.

95.21-22 FERRYHILL & DEAN BANK WARD BY-ELECTION, 9th DECEMBER 2021 – RESULTS OF POLL

Members were provided with the results of the recent election and advised that John Lamb had been elected as a Town Councillor for the Ferryhill & Dean Bank Ward.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

96.21-22 CORRESPONDENCE

a. Remembrance Sunday

Three separate pieces of correspondence has been received from members of the public thanking the Town Council for extending the road closures to cover the two minutes silence at 11.00 am. Many positive comments were also received on the day.

A comment was received concerning a car being driven within the road closure area when the parade was marching along North Street. The car had been within the road closure area prior to the barriers being put in place. Marshals are in place to deal with any such issues and the car was stopped at a safe distance from the parade.

RESOLVED

That the correspondence be received

97.21-22

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND INCOME

Members considered the monthly statement of accounts and income.

RESOLVED

That the Statement of Accounts and Income be received.

98.21-22

BUDGET 2022/2023

Members considered a report from the Town Clerk, which was previously circulated.

RESOLVED

That members submit in writing by no later than Thursday 23rd December 2021, details of any further changes required in accordance with Financial Regulation 3.2.

At this point Councillor K Conroy left the meeting.

99.21-22

APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS AND DONATIONS

Members considered the following applications for funding:-

Mr Shingleton advised members that the Town Clerk had suggested the Citizens Advice County Durham application for funding be deferred until a later date as he was gathering more information

a. Home Group, Green Horizons Project (Small Grant Application)

A request for a donation of £200 had been received, Members agreed to this donation.

b. Ferryhill Churches Together, Foodbank

A request for a donation of £1,000 had been received, members agreed to this donation.

c. Little Treasures

A request for a donation of £1,000 had been received, members agreed to this donation.

d. Citizens Advice County Durham

Members agreed this application be deferred until a later date.

RESOLVED

That the application for Citizens Advice County Durham be deferred until a later date and the following donations be made:

- a) Home Group - £200
- b) Ferryhill Churches Together, Foodbank - £1,000
- c) Little Treasures - £1,000

100.21-22 CIVILITY AND RESPECT PROJECT

Members considered a report previously circulated.

RESOLVED

That the information be noted and;

- a. The Bullying and Harassment Statement be included on the Council's website.
- b. Council adopts a Civility and Respect Pledge, to be signed by all Members, as a demonstration of support for the project.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 6.45pm.

CERTIFIED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIR.....

DATE.....