

Minutes of the meeting of PENISTONE TOWN COUNCIL
Held on Monday 17th March 2008
In the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Penistone at 7pm.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting there were presentations by

- * Penistone Carry-a-Baggers and
- * Strategic Housing, BMBC re Shared ownership schemes and disposal of Garage sites.

PRESENT

The Town Mayor, Cllr J Unsworth and Cllrs P Hand-Davis, Mrs A Rusby, S Webber, Mrs N Collett, H Barron, R Hinchliff, J Cutts, S Randall, A Millner, C Pilkington, S Marsh, Mrs C Bradbury and the Clerk.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Lucas and Gregory.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the following meetings were confirmed as a true record

- Penistone Town Council dated 18th February 2008
- Planning Meeting dated 18th February 2008
- Town Centre Committee dated 20th February 2008
- Road Safety Meeting dated 27th February 2008

Moved by Cllr Barron, seconded by Cllr Millner and RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Road Safety Committee be implemented.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

None declared.

REPORT OF BARNSELY MEMBERS

The Borough Councillors gave a joint progress report on the Wind farms, One Barnsley, Green Park House and the Town Centre development scheme

PENISTONE & DISTRICT ALLOTMENTS & COMMUNITY GARDEN ASSOC .

A letter signed by six residents has been received requesting that the Town Council expand the allotment provision. The council has been exploring various alternatives over the last couple of years and this group has been advised of the progress. Advice from YLCA states that the council has a duty to consider any such requests. The main difficulty has been the lack of available land in our immediate area. As Barnsley MBC is looking at the disposal of Garage sites, the Town Council is looking at a Business Plan to develop one of the sites to provide an extension to the existing amenity. Further discussion established that some allotment holders have additional plots in other areas. It was agreed that any newly vacant allotments will only be given to those who do not already have an allotment.

BUS SERVICE TO HOSPITAL

Cllr Barron updated the council on the responses he has received regarding a hospital bus service. In order to establish the level of demand residents are to be asked to support his campaign for a bus service. If the feedback shows there is a demand the bus companies are to be asked to provide a three month trial service. Residents can register their support by signing a petition held in the Community Centre.

RESOURCE CENTRE

The clerk read out a letter from the Property and Procurement department at BMBC with a further proposal for consideration. A discussion took place with divided opinion as to the way forward. Following a vote it was agreed that Lancasters, the local Estate Agents and valuation company would be asked to provide an independent valuation for the Resource Centre.

LEISURE AND AMENITIES REPORT –

Cllr Pilkington reported that while the live program has had excellent attendance, the films have had poor audience numbers. The Paramount has been successful in attaining a 25% grant towards the external improvements to the building. It is hoped that the additional 75% can be funded by English Heritage and Yorkshire Forward. There is also the possibility of another suitable grant scheme becoming available. Oxspring Parish Council have made a donation to the Paramount upkeep and they have been thanked for their continued support. The development of the website and the general maintenance program are both in progress. With regard to the Organ Trust agreement, the Estates department Barnsley MBC, who are our landlord, suggested three agreements, 1 lease and 2 licences to facilitate all the requirements of the organ trust. When the format is received this is to go to the F & GP committee. It was proposed that the council write to the Organ Trust and advise them of the current situation.

At the Community Centre there has been sad news. The retired caretaker Ken Stokes has passed away after a short illness and the condolences of the Council go to his family. The condition of the kitchen is deteriorating and following an inspection by the Food Hygiene various recommendations were made which should be actioned in the refurbishment. The clerk is in the process of obtaining quotes.

The caretakers have been out into the community repairing the roof of the boundary walk shelter.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE ITEMS

It was moved by Cllr Millner, seconded by Cllr Hinchliff and RESOLVED that the expenditure items from the General Account be paid.

GENERAL - MONTHLY EXPENDITURE

Feb/Mar 08		Chq Nos
BMBC	Rates	315.00 D/D
Penistone Well Dressing	Donation 2008	300.00 4929
Viking Direct	Stationery	248.41 4930
Local Council Admin	Registration fee quality council	70.00 4931
SYPA	February Contribution *(inc staff costs)	4932
Petty Cash	Plugs/Milk/Coffee/Stamps/Brkts	123.36 4933
SLCC	Training	15.00 4934
BMBC	Play equipt Park Avenue	11,638.38 4934
Home Décor	Miscellaneous	105.60 4936
Viking Direct	Stationery	76.65 4937
Yorkshire Purchasing Org	Cleaning Materials	64.45 4938
Naylor Myers	Gutter unions/Stopends/Guttering	153.65 4939
Edmundson Waterhouse	Hand drier/Starter/	148.70 4940
Sage	Sage Cover re Payroll/Accountant	176.25 4941
PHS	Sanitary disposal	61.36 4942
A.G.Smith	Erection/Removal of xmas decorations	1,535.00 4943

AG Group	Photocopier	29.55 4944
Petty Cash	postage/milk/cable clips/flex/trunking	61.29 4945
		void 4946
Cllr J Unsworth	Mayors Allowance	700.00 4947

Sub Total		15,822.65
Staffing costs		5,904.83
Grand Total		21,727.48

Staffing

General Staff	Feb-08	3,936.15
C/Centre Staff	Feb-08	1,347.16
ERS-S.Yorks Pensions	Feb-08	290.20
ERS-Inland Revenue	NI	331.32
Staffing Costs		5,904.83

It was moved by Cllr Millner, seconded by Cllr Rusby and RESOLVED that the expenditure items from the Paramount Account be paid.

PARAMOUNT-MONTHLY EXPENDITURE

Feb/March 08

			CHQ NOS
BMBC	Rates	224.00	D/D
Coors	Bar supplies	1854.02	D/D
Streamline	Card Charges Feb-08	272.85	D/D
Britvic	Soft Drinks	342.41	D/D
Bookers	Kiosk Supplies	907.95	5351
PRS	Concert Sales	3218.43	5352
SYPA	Feb Contribution *(in staff)		
Hulleys	Ice Cream	619.06	5354
J & R Gases	Gas cylinder/Mixed Gas	36.94	5355
Entertainment Film Dis	Film Rentals	2187.20	5356
Momentum Pictures	Film Rental	94.00	5357
P Holmes	Ice Cream	135.36	5358
BOS office supplies	Stationery	168.01	5359
Go Transport	Film Delivery	155.10	5360
Warner Brothers	Film Rentals	339.85	5361
	Void		5362
Barnsley Chronicle	Advertising	391.07	5363
Trinity Mirror	Advertising	149.22	5364
Look Local	Advertising	74.02	5365
Slush Puppie	Raspberry Premix	200.67	5366
SYPA	February Contribution	92.34	5367
P Woodcock	Stocktaking Services	55.00	5368
Simon Jersey	Work Uniform	371.48	5369
PHS	Sanitary Disposal	128.97	5370
		12017.95	
Subtotal		12017.95	
Staffing costs		7728.72	
Grand Total		19746.67	

	W/E	W/E	W/E	W/E	TOTAL
	5-Feb	12-Feb	19-Feb	26-Feb	
Management	243.34	195.86	243.34	439.19	1121.73
Duty Manager	193.90	47.06			240.96
Clerical	320.31	289.91	253.41	284.25	1147.88
Cashiers	210.34	232.47	295.21	231.12	969.14
Projectionists	119.55	197.51	294.53	218.3	829.89
Attendants	706.01	571.69	468.72	343.16	2089.58
Cleaners	307.02	195.65	204.68	189.63	896.98
	2100.47	1730.15	1759.89	1705.65	7296.16
NI Month 9 Ers	38.33	30.77	23.51	60.26	196.86
Staff Pensions Ers	54.97	47.33	43.91	47.32	235.70
Total Staffing	2193.77	1808.25	1827.31	1813.23	7728.72

MILLHOUSE GREEN INSTITUTE RATES 2008

A request for financial support has been received from the treasurer of the Millhouse Green Institute. Penistone Town Council has paid the Rates bill for the last few years and this continuing support is requested. Moved by Cllr Collett, seconded by Cllr Marsh and RESOLVED that the council pay the £188.93 as requested.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Participation session for members of the electorate in Penistone. (10 minutes in total)