

**Minutes of the meeting of PENISTONE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2008**  
**In the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Penistone at 7pm.**

**PRESENT**

The Town Mayor, Cllr J Unsworth (Chair) and Cllrs P Hand Davis, A Millner, H Barron, JB Lucas, Mrs A Rusby, Mrs N Collett, Mrs C Bradbury, J Cutts, S Marsh, S Webber, S Randall and The Clerk. 5 members of the public were also present.

**ABSENT**

Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllrs Gregory and Pilkington.

Prior to the commencement of the Agenda, Cllr Unsworth informed the Council of the terrible accident that Dave Paddey has had recently. The Council wished him a speedy recovery and asked that a basket of fruit be sent to him during his convalescence.

**131/07 MINUTES**

The minutes of the following meetings were confirmed as a true record.

Penistone Town Council dated 17<sup>th</sup> March 2008

Planning Meeting dated 17<sup>th</sup> March 2008

Development & Regeneration Committee dated 19<sup>th</sup> March 2008

Finance & General Purpose Committee dated 7<sup>th</sup> April 2008

Road Safety Meeting dated 14<sup>th</sup> April 2008

Leisure & Amenities Meeting dated 14<sup>th</sup> April 2008

It was moved by Cllr Marsh, seconded by Cllr Collett and agreed that the recommendations of the Road safety committee be implemented.

**132/07 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

Cllrs Unsworth and Millner declared an interest in item 8, Community Partnership

Cllr P Hand Davis declared an interest in Hoylandswaine village hall.

**133/07 REPORT OF BARNSELY MEMBERS**

Cllr Millner started the report by updating the Council on Green Park House. A decision is to be made in the next seven days regarding the contractor and service provision, work is expected to take at least twelve months. There has been some mislaid letters of objection with regard to the development on the showground. It has been suggested that there be permit parking introduced on Wentworth Road but there has been understandably objections to this from local businesses. Cllr Bradbury asked about land values and why the new builders aren't putting up affordable housing. Cllr Marsh replied that these schemes were approved prior to this stipulation being in place. He added to Cllr Millners report that hand delivered letters of objection from the Penistone and District Society with regard to the showground had also gone missing. A discussion followed with regard to making a complaint about missing correspondence. The section 106 monies are being looked at to make sure that it is used for worthy projects in our area.. Funding for the managed workspace is still available.

**134/07 UPDATE ON COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

Cllr Unsworth reported that there is a new Chairperson to be elected at the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> May following Mrs Harrison's resignation from her post. The main issue is continuation funding. Leader+ finishes this year and there is to be a celebration event. Nationally it is the smallest Leader + group but in terms of project delivery it is the most successful. The council has been advised previously about the successor body. Cllr Unsworth was asked about the land at Springvale.

Although there are many ideas these aren't moving forward at the moment. The Partnership is an incorporated Charity in ownership of the Springvale Land. The new chair will bring further information to the AGM in July. It was suggested that working more closely with the partnership is a good move for the future and perhaps this could be in collaboration with the regeneration committee.

### **135/07 HOYLANDSWAINE VILLAGE HALL**

A letter has been received from the Treasurer of the Hoylandswaine Village Hall requesting the Councils ongoing financial support in respect of the rates bill. For 2008/2009 this is £150.73. Moved by Cllr Randall, seconded by Cllr Hand Davis and Resolved that the rates bill be paid.

### **136/07 RESOURCE CENTRE**

It was agreed that due to the nature of the business about to be transacted, that this item be discussed with the exclusion of Public and Press. Moved by Cllr Rusby, seconded by Cllr Collett.

### **137/07 PENISTONE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

The clerk read a letter to the Council requesting financial support for the Community Partnership. The landlords, Barnsley MBC have been approached for a reduction in the rent and they are looking further at subletting some office space.

Cllr Marsh asked if this was support for the building costs. Cllr Unsworth replied that they have a reduced staff and looking at ways to make the existing office sustainable. Cllr Marsh asked about the possibility of moving them into the Community centre, this suggestion was seconded by Cllr Collett. It was moved by Cllr Collett, seconded by Cllr Hand Davis that this should be discussed in greater depth by the Finance and General Purpose Committee. A vote was taken with 3 against and 9 for.

### **138/07 PENISTONE CARRY A BAGGERS**

Following on from last months presentation it was moved by Cllr Cutts, seconded by Cllr Hand Davis and agreed that the Council support the project to reduce Carrier Bag waste in Penistone. Cllr Barron objected to this.

A request for Financial support towards the project costs was presented. Moved by Cllr Rusby, seconded by Cllr Bradbury and agreed that the Council contribute £500 towards the costs. This Town Council logo should be prominent on the bags and any literature circulated. Cllrs Barron and Lucas were against this project.

### **139/07 LEISURE AND AMENITIES REPORT**

Cllr Pilkington reported that quotes for the Kitchen at the Community centre are being gathered. The minutes of the meeting held last week gave a comprehensive update of activities at the Paramount. The ballet on Friday evening had been a success. The formation of a working party for the Christmas lights had also been discussed. This come under the remit of Town Services

The Mayor advised the council that the newsletter is currently being distributed to our residents and that a letter of thanks be sent to Rebecca Barnett for all her work on the design and layout of the information. Thanks must also be given to the Young people at the Surf 'n' Snack internet café for their commitment to providing photographs of all the councillors on time for the newsletter.

Cllr Webber asked for the web site working party to set a new meeting date. It was agreed to be on 12<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm immediately prior to the next Road Safety group meeting.

Cllr Lucas advised the committee about a local collection of armaments that needs to be housed. A discussion took place regarding this collection and that of another local historian. Whichever museum is the lucky recipient will acknowledge it is from Penistone.

#### 140/07 APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE ITEMS

Moved by Cllr Rusby, seconded by Cllr Barron and RESOLVED that the expenditure items from the General Account be paid.

#### GENERAL - MONTHLY EXPENDITURE

| <b>Mar-08</b>             |                            | <b>Chq Nos</b>  |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| BMBC                      | Rates                      | 315.00 D/D      |
| Millhouse Green Institute | Grant for rates            | 188.93 4948     |
| SYPA                      | Pension March Contribution | 531.82 4949     |
| PHS                       | Hand/Hair Dryer            | 61.36 4957      |
| <b>Sub Total</b>          |                            | <u>1,097.11</u> |
| Staffing costs            |                            | 5,870.07        |
| <b>Grand Total March</b>  |                            | <b>6,967.18</b> |

#### Staffing

|                       |        |                        |
|-----------------------|--------|------------------------|
| General Staff         | Mar-08 | 3,936.15               |
| C/Centre Staff        | Mar-08 | 1,315.98               |
| ERS-S.Yorks Pensions  | Mar-08 | 290.20                 |
| ERS-Inland Revenue    | NI     | 327.74                 |
| <b>Staffing Costs</b> |        | <u><b>5,870.07</b></u> |

#### Apr-08

|                    |                              |                        |
|--------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| BMBC               | Rates                        | 330.00 D/D             |
| AG Group           | Photocopier                  | 24.97 4950             |
| B T                | Internet Services            | 73.63 4951             |
| BMBC               | Commercial Waste-Cmm Cen     | 628.91 4952            |
| Lancasters         | Valuation of Resource Centre | 176.25 4953            |
| YLCA               | Membership 2008              | 738.00 4954            |
| Npower             | Electricity to 18th April    | 1,826.02 4955          |
| Sage               | Payslips                     | 57.58 4956             |
| <b>April Total</b> |                              | <u><b>3,855.36</b></u> |

Moved by Cllr Rusby, seconded by Cllr Hinchliff and RESOLVED that the expenditure items from the Paramount Account be paid.

#### PARAMOUNT-MONTHLY EXPENDITURE

| <b>Mar-08</b>      |                         | <b>CHQ NOS</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| BMBC               | Rates                   | 224.00 D/D     |
| Coors              | Bar Supplies            | 951.94 D/D     |
| Streamline         | Card Charges March-08   | 121.47 D/D     |
| Britvic            | Soft Drinks             | 444.61 D/D     |
| SYPA               | Pension Cont March      | In Staff       |
| Petty Cash         | Stamps/Milk/Lemons      | 72.62 5372     |
| Timeless Theatre   | All Our Yesterdays      | 3789.98 5373   |
| British Telecom    | Internet Services       | 77.51 5374     |
| Don't Shoot Prod   | Toby Foster             | 1659.00 5376   |
| Chris Goodbald     | Floyd 2                 | 552.64 5377    |
|                    |                         | VOID 5378      |
| Barnsley Chronicle | Advertising             | 300.93 5379    |
| BMBC               | Utility/Service Charges | 9011.49 5380   |
| A Brameld          | Decorating              | 825.00 5381    |

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|-----------------------|------------------------|---------|------|
| Edmundson Waterhouse  | Electrical Appliances  | 3.01    | 5382 |
| Empire Popcorn        | Sweet Popcorn/Cups     | 397.33  | 5383 |
| Hulleys               | Ice Cream              | 229.45  | 5384 |
| Hall & Rhodes         | New sensor Mill Room   | 122.79  | 5385 |
| GO-Transport          | Film Delivery          | 155.10  | 5386 |
| P Holmes              | Ice Cream              | 146.64  | 5387 |
| J & R Gases           | Gas cylinder/Mixed gas | 15.09   | 5388 |
| Look Local            | Advertising            | 148.04  | 5389 |
| Paramount Pictures    | Cloverfield            | 111.38  | 5390 |
| John Grunhill         | Pads                   | 1065.11 | 5391 |
| SYPA                  | Re-Chargeable Mar      | 92.34   | 5392 |
| Sony Pictures         | The Waterhorse         | 503.48  | 5393 |
| Slush Puppie          | Ice Cream              | 401.93  | 5394 |
| Trinity Mirror        | Advertising            | 248.70  | 5395 |
| Ticketmart            | Booklets               | 352.50  | 5396 |
| Universal             | Charlie Wilsons War    | 367.50  | 5397 |
| Twentieth Century Fox | Alvin and the chipmunk | 507.00  | 5398 |
| Warner Brothers       | Sweeney Tdd/Bucket Lst | 1049.72 | 5399 |

Subtotal 23948.30

Staffing costs 7126.35

**Grand Total March-08 31074.65**

|                       | W/E      | W/E     | W/E     | W/E     | TOTAL          |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|----------------|
|                       | 4-Mar-08 | 11-Mar  | 18-Mar  | 25-Mar  |                |
| Staffing Costs        |          |         |         |         |                |
| Management            | 192.89   | 335.33  | 62.32   | 290.82  | 881.36         |
| Duty Manager          |          |         |         |         | 0.00           |
| Clerical              | 221.76   | 251.26  | 313.47  | 326.49  | 1112.98        |
| Cashiers              | 264.83   | 201.11  | 300.88  | 376.39  | 1143.21        |
| Projectionists        | 292.79   | 157.66  | 200.98  | 256.41  | 907.84         |
| Attendants            | 416.04   | 537.41  | 325.10  | 700.36  | 1978.91        |
| Cleaners              | 177.59   | 189.63  | 225.75  | 177.59  | 770.56         |
|                       | 1565.90  | 1672.40 | 1428.50 | 2128.06 | 6794.86        |
| NI Month 10 Ers       | 30.70    | 45.76   | 13.28   | 66.25   | 155.99         |
| Staff Pensions Ers    | 44.60    | 47.76   | 40.14   | 43.00   | 175.50         |
| <b>Total Staffing</b> |          |         |         |         | <b>7126.35</b> |

**Apr-08**

|                         |                         |         |      |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------|------|
| BMBC                    | Rates                   | 262.30  | D/D  |
| Barnsley Chronicle      | Advertising             | 300.93  | 5400 |
| Bookers                 | Kiosk Supplies          | 632.89  | 5375 |
| Barnsley Cash Registers | Annual Repair agreement | 299.63  | 5401 |
| BMBC                    | Commercial Waste        | 628.91  | 5402 |
| P Clarke                | Plastic Glasses         | 91.60   | 5403 |
| Empire Popcorn          | Sweet Popcorn           | 179.95  | 5404 |
| Hulleys                 | Ice Cream               | 691.94  | 5405 |
| Hoge 100 Bus Systems    | Annual Licence          | 601.25  | 5406 |
| Jack Roe (CS) Ltd       | Letters/Intermiss/Tape  | 64.79   | 5407 |
| Leisure Power           | Membership 2008         | 423.00  | 5408 |
| Look Local              | Advertising             | 138.65  | 5409 |
| Trinity Mirror          | Advertising             | 99.48   | 5410 |
| Paramount Pictures      | Spiderwick              | 2989.49 | 5411 |
| Universal               | Other Boleyn Girl       | 957.25  | 5412 |
| P Woodcock              | Stocktaking Services    | 80.00   | 5413 |
| Walt Disney             | There will be blood     | 226.38  | 5414 |
| YPO                     | Cleaning Materials      | 258.84  | 5415 |

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#### **141/07 STAFF EXTENSION TO RETIREMENT REQUEST**

Moved by Cllr Collett, seconded by Cllr Rusby and RESOLVED that due to the nature of the business about to be transacted that this item be discussed with the exclusion of the public and press.

#### **142/07 POST OFFICE CLOSURES**

The Clerk advised the Council that the consultation date for our Area had been moved to August. As there is no ordinary meeting in August it was suggested at the Parish Liaison meeting that Councillors and Councils establish what is happening in their area to support the postmasters/mistresses.

#### **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

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

#### **IN COMMITTEE**

#### **136/07 RESOURCE CENTRE**

The valuation report from Lancasters has been received. This is lower than expected are there isn't exclusive use of the entire premises. Moved by Cllr Collett, seconded by Cllr P Hand Davis and RESOLVED that the Resource Centre be let during office hours at an annual fee of £12600. This is for a three year period with the provision for an annual rent review which will allow for the increased cost of utilities. Cllr Bradbury is against this proposal.

#### **141/07 STAFF EXTENSION TO RETIREMENT REQUEST**

A long serving member of staff Jean Brundrett will reach her 65<sup>th</sup> birthday in June. The Town Council has a policy in line with Barnsley MBC that the retirement age is 65 but staff may work until they are 70 with mutual agreement for mutual benefit. Any extension would be on a yearly basis. Jean has indicated that she would like to stay for another twelve months. Moved by Cllr Bradbury, seconded by Cllr Millner and Agreed.