

**UNADOPTED
POLEGATE TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 30th January 2012 in the Council Chamber, 49 High Street Polegate at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllrs T Voyce (Chair), M Cunningham, Mrs C Berry, R Martin, Mrs J Voyce, M Clewett, J O'Riordan, G Carter, Mrs M Piper, E Board (10)

Not Present: Cllrs D Shing, S Shing, G Gibbs, M Pybus, J Harmer (5)

5 members of the public

10 063 Apologies for absence

G Gibbs (personal), M Pybus (work)

10 064 Declarations of interest

None

10 065 Opportunity for public comment

No members of the public wished to speak

10 066 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 12th December 2011 and Special full council held on 12th January 2012

<p>The minutes were signed and noted as accurate VOTE All in favour</p>
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100 67 Polegate Town Mayor's report

The Mayor congratulated Cllr G Gibbs in his absence on his MBE for service to the Police and other voluntary organisations and in his absence gave the gifts for the clerk to pass on to Cllr Gibbs.

The Mayor congratulated Cllr Martin on his recent bus naming event, where a National Express bus had been named in honour of Cllr Roy Martin for his service to the community of Polegate.

The Mayor had attended the Scouts coffee morning which had raised £220.

The mayor commented on the attendance of the examination in public of the Wealden District Council Core strategy stating that there would be a Masterplan meeting at 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm prior to the special full council on Monday 13th February 2012 to formulate a corporate response to the Strategic Sites Development Plan Document Consultation. The Environment & leisure meeting had been cancelled and replaced by this meeting.

The Mayor also stated that the next phase with the details of all of the sites including SD4 (Hindslands/mornings Mill) and SD5 (Dittons business park) will be discussed and the documents are available for the public to view in the office and on the Wealden District website. He stated that the Highways Agency had commented that there could not be an at grade crossing (a pedestrian crossing) across a trunk road for any development proposed on Honey Farm. He commented that at the examination there came to light a possible new proposal for 250 houses on Honey Farm.

10 068 Clerks report

The report had been circulated and was noted by all present.

10 069 PCSO report

None had been received due to illness and the event in Hailsham.

10 070 District/County reports

Reports were circulated at the meeting and a verbal report given by Cllr R Martin. Cllr Martin stated that he had attended the scrutiny committee at Wealden District council where the committee formed a quality bus sub committee to look at local transport issues. Cllr Martin stated that he has also attended some of the core strategy examination in public. He commented on the Highways Agency

comments about at grade crossings on the A2270 trunk road between the railway bridge and Cophall roundabout.

10 071 Adoption of Minutes and recommendations from committees and Standing committees

a. Finance & Policy Committee minutes 23rd January 2012

Minute 10062 was amended to be an annual lease (not a three years lease). VOTE All in favour

It was resolved to accept the minutes and recommendations of the Finance & Policy Committee 23rd January 2012 VOTE All in favour

10 072 Quotation for Jubilee Crown design at Flower beds cross roads

It was resolved to accept the quotation with Europlants Ltd for the new crown design (summer bedding) for the crossroads flower beds at £200 + VAT. VOTE All in favour

10 073 Year end Close down – RBS quotation

It was resolved to accept the RBS close down quotation for £450 + VAT plus mileage as agreed. VOTE All in favour

10 074 Dittons corner bus stop move regarding new development at Shepham Lane.

It was resolved to request a Newstead shelter in the proposed location to be paid for by the developers, for the clerk to apply for the licence and to request details of a potential bin. VOTE 9 for 1 against

10 075 Rescind Motion and new motion to alter advisory committees to working groups as per Special full council meeting recommendations on 16th January 2012.

It was resolved to amend the advisory committees to working groups with the deletion of groups as per the recommendations of minute 10048, with the amendment to rename the amalgamated groups: 1. Buildings & Land & Brightling Road, 2. Youth & Elderly & Diamond Jubilee to be "Town Wellbeing working group" VOTE All in favour

10 076 To select a Business Plan working group membership

It was resolved that Cllr Mrs J Voyce, Mrs C Berry, M Cunningham, E Board and Cllr Shing would be members of the business plan working group. VOTE All in favour.

10 077 Quotation for repairs to Oakleaf play equipment – bridge

It was resolved to accept the quotation from Playdale to supply deliver and install the required equipment at Oakleaf at £853 + VAT VOTE All in favour

10 078 Diamond Jubilee Celebrations Committee (DJCC)– use of Polegate War Memorial recreation ground for a small family funfair over the Diamond Jubilee celebrations weekend.

It was resolved that the ground could be used for a small family fun fair details to be arranged by the DJCC to make sure that restrictive tonnages are not exceeded and information relayed back to the clerk to check insurances etc. VOTE All in favour

10 079 Pride of Polegate Litter Signs on street lighting columns

A discussion took place on the locations of the potential signs, Diplock's wood (polegate boundary) being one, around the centre. It was agreed to purchase 10 signs

It was resolved that a licence for the 10 signs would be applied for on varied appropriate locations to be agreed with Council and the signage purchased at a cost of around £250 to come from the reserved budget Town Appearance. VOTE All in favour

10 080 Annual Town assembly dates and speakers

A discussion took place on whether to invite outside speakers to answer questions such as county and district councillors and the local MP. It was generally agreed that as it was a town electors meeting the councillors should be present to answer questions.

It was resolved that the annual town assembly would be held on 23rd April 2012 in the council chambers and that lead councillors for the committees would be there to answer questions from the public. VOTE All in favour

10 081 Power of well being

a. Adoption of the power of wellbeing

A discussion took place on the requirements to be an eligible council. All had been fulfilled.

It was resolved that Polegate Town Council, having consideration of their eligibility adopt the power of wellbeing. VOTE All in favour

10 082 Wording and distribution of the notification to residents – strategic Sites development Plan Document.

Cllr G Carter left the room at 9.20 pm and returned at 9.23 pm

This item was withdrawn as to save costs the article was published in the newsletter to go to every household.

10 083 Financial Update

a. Approval of accounts for payment

It was resolved to approve the schedule of accounts for payment (schedule attached)

b. Copy of Barclaycard statement

The statement was noted by all present

c. Bank Reconciliation

The bank reconciliation was noted by all present

10 084 Proposed dates of next cycle of meetings

Cllr Mrs Berry gave her apologies for the meeting on 13th February 2012.

CANCELLED Environment & Leisure 13th February 2012
Masterplan Meeting 13th February 2012 6.30-7.30 pm
Special Full Council 13th February 2012 7.30 pm

Full Council 27th February 2012
Finance & Policy 12th March 2012
Full Council 26th March 2012

Annual Town Assembly (Electors meeting) Monday 23rd April 2012

Full Council 30th April 2012
Annual Meeting (including election of Mayor) 28th May 2012
Environment & Leisure 18th June 2012
Finance & Policy 25th June 2012
Full Council 30th July 2012
Finance & Policy 17th September 2012
Full Council 24th September 2012
Environment & Leisure 29th October 2012
Planning 5th November 2012 7.30 pm BUDGET
Personnel 5th November 2012 8.00 pm BUDGET
Environment & Leisure 12th November 2012 BUDGET
Finance & Policy 19th November 2012 BUDGET
Full Council (BUDGET) 26th November 2012
Full Council 28th January 2013
Environment & Leisure 25th February 2013
Finance 11th March 2013
Full Council 25th March 2013

The meeting closed at 8.23 pm