

**RICHMOND TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY MEETING HELD AT 6.30 PM ON 15 MAY 2017 IN  
THE MAYOR'S PARLOUR, TOWN HALL, RICHMOND**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: R. White (Chair)  
C. World (Vice Chair)  
P. Spencer  
L. Hodgson  
M. Bryant  
S. Cooke  
J. Preece  
R. Lord

**In attendance:** Mrs. C. Ord - Assistant Town Clerk  
Mr. F. Stockton – Richmond Duck Club  
Mr. J. Lloyd - Richmond Cycling Club  
Mrs J. Chaudhri – Westfields Allotments

Councillors Lord, World and Hodgson informed the Chair that they needed to leave the meeting early.

**C.01.05.17 Apologies:**

None

**Absent:**

Councillor I. Croasdell

**C.1a.05.17 Community Minutes – 19 April 2017**

Proposed: Councillor Preece                      Seconded: Councillor Bryant

**RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the above Community Meeting be accepted as a true record.**

**C.02.05.17 Public Open Session:**

The representative from Richmond Cycling Club asked the Chair whether a replacement cherry tree could be planted in Frenchgate. The Chair stated that he would speak with Richmondshire District Council on the matter. He also asked whether anything could be done about the dog fouling on a mound of soil on Castle Walk. It was agreed that this matter be raised with the Town Clerk.

**C.03.05.17 Declarations of Interest:**

It was agreed that Declarations of Interest should be dealt with as and when they arose during the meeting.

**C.04.05.17 Christmas Lights:**

The Chair read a note from the Town Clerk informing members that she has approached NYCC for a plan of the lighting poles that are due to go up this year, along with a renewed quotation. The quotation supplied last year included for a few items that they have already done so an updated price is required. The Town Clerk has also asked whether NYCC are in a position to store the poles. Councillor Preece gave an over view of Christmas lights.

The Chair asked Lead Councillors to speak with the Town Clerk with regard to requirements for the Christmas lights tender for contract.

The Duck Club informed members that they are no longer permitted to hang bunting on the lighting poles.

**C.05.05.17 Floral Decorations:**

A request was made for the Town Clerk to arrange to have Trinity Rose garden weeded .

Councillor Spencer gave an update and informed members that plant food had been delivered to the watering contractors in readiness for the season.

**C.06.05.17 Fireworks:**

The Town Clerk has informed Pains Fireworks of the music choice for the event. All other details (i.e., car parking stewards and costs) will be discussed with Richmond School at the annual general meeting.

**C.07.05.17 Civic Events:**

There were no updates.

**C08.05.17 Allotments:**

The Chair requested that Lead Councillors speak with the Town Clerk with a view to arranging a site visit for a contractor to quote for hedge cutting. Discussion took place on removal of waste from allotments. A request has been received for a lockable notice board on Reeth Road allotments. The allotment holder at No. 4a is happy to have the notice board sited on her allotment. The Town Clerk is requested to obtain prices. Councillors Lord and Hodgson left at 7.00 p.m.

**C08a.05.17 Matters Arising:**

Green Howards Museum

The Chairman spoke regarding the removal of wreaths from the Green Howards Memorial. The Chair will be contacting the Green Howards Association to have them replaced.

Proposed: Councillor Lord      Seconded: Councillor Spencer

**RESOLVED: that the Town Clerk contact the Green Howards requesting that wreaths are not removed from the memorial until October each year.**

Friary Gardens – Duck Club Christmas Lights

The Duck Club representative discussed the situation regarding the electrical boxes. It was agreed that the invitation be extended to all Councillors to attend a meeting to debate the matter at the Town Hall on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30 p.m.

Councillor Bryant asked that a running account of events leading up to the meeting be provided.

Councillor World left the meeting at 7.15 p.m.

Councillor Preece requested that the Town Clerk investigate a planning matter relating to the Golden Lion.

**C09.05.17 Forthcoming Events 2017:**

Saturday 25 February	-	Duck Club – Pancake Race, Richmond Cricket Club
BH Monday 1 May	-	Duck Race
Friday 12 May	-	Civic Event
Monday 22 May	-	Mayor Making
May 27 Sat/28 Sunday/29	-	BH Monday - Richmond Meet – weekend
Friday 7 July	-	Civic Event
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	-	Duck Club Coffee Morning – Town Hall
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	-	Duck Club – Halloween Party
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	-	RBL – Richmond, Launch of Poppy Appeal
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	-	RBL Festival of Remembrance Concert, Richmond School
Saturday 11 November	-	Service of the Crosses – Friary Gardens 11.00 a.m.
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	-	Remembrance Sunday
Friday 1 December	-	Switch on of Christmas Lights
<b>Sunday 3 December</b>	-	<b>Christmas Fair</b>

**C10.05.17 Date of next meeting:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 6.30a.m.