

RICHMOND TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY MEETING HELD AT 6.30 PM ON 20 MARCH 2017 IN THE MAYOR'S PARLOUR, TOWN HALL, RICHMOND

PRESENT: Councillors: R. White (Chair)
C. World (Vice Chair)
P. Spencer
L. Hodgson
I. Croasdell
M. Bryant
S. Cooke

In attendance: Mrs. C. Ord – Assistant Town Clerk
Mr. B. Wilkinson - Richmond Round Table
Mr. J. Lloyd - Richmond Cycling Club
Mrs M. McLuckie - RLSBA
Mrs S. Pearson - Past Councillor

C.01.03.17 Apologies:

Councillors Lord and Preece
Mr. G. Barber - Robinson Allotments & Civic Society

C.02.03.17 Public Open Session:

Past Councillor Pearson asked whether it is possible for someone else to take over the updating of the notice board in Friary gardens with forthcoming events. A key can be obtained from Mr. Hudson at District.

Past Councillor Pearson also drew attention to the Town Council website which requires updating. Councillor World stated that this will be an item on the next Resources Agenda.

C.03.03.17 Declarations of Interest:

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

C.04.03.17 Catenary Wires:

The Chair informed members that the Town Clerk is still waiting for quotes relating to the taking down of the wires and the checking of the electrical boxes to ensure they are working and water tight. NYCC have suggested that the electricity

boxes should remain as they may be useful later if lighting poles are placed in Finkle Street.

C.05.03.17 Boundary Riding:

As Boundary Riding is a Civic Event the current Mayor, Past Mayor and Mayor Elect will be Lead Councillors for this event.

Members were informed that Mr R. Chandler will be retiring from his post as “Pinder” due to ill health and has sent a letter to the Town Council regarding Boundary Riding.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Chandler be taken at the next full Council meeting. Committee agreed that there should also be a discussion with regard to Mr Chandler’s replacement at full council. An agenda Item – “Town Pinder” to be placed on full council agenda.

C0.06.03.17 Christmas Lights:

The Chair informed members that a quote had been received from Richmondshire District Council relating to repairs to electrical boxes in Friary Gardens. RDC have agreed to fund the repairs for 3. No. publicly used boxes. Representatives of the Duck Club enquired as to whether any repairs will be agreed for the remaining 10 electrical boxes which are used by the Duck Club for festive lighting. The organisation asked that this issue be resolved as a matter of urgency. Members requested that a meeting be arranged with Mr. C. Dales (RDC) the Town Clerk, Chair of Community and two representatives of the Duck Club.

Councillor Cooke asked whether the Christmas Lights tenders have been sent out and was informed that this matter will be checked with the Town Clerk.

C0.07.03.17 Floral Decorations:

Councillor Spencer reported on the use of brackets on lamp posts for floral decorations and gave an update on tubs. He stated there could be a problem with rust on the posts if the brackets are removed or replaced and asked who would be responsible for correcting the matter.

C0.08.03.17 Fireworks:

No further information had been received regarding investigation of alternative venues therefore all members agreed that this year’s event should again be held at Richmond School. Councillors requested that the Town Clerk write to the school with a request to hold the event on Sunday 5th November 2017.

Members asked whether any information had been received regarding tenders for the Fireworks. Councillors were informed this will be checked with the Town Clerk on Wednesday.

C0.09.03.17 Civic Events:

The Chair informed the meeting that Mayor Making will be held on Monday 22nd May 2017.

C10.03.17 Allotments:

Councillor World asked that special thanks to past Councillor Pearson be recorded on behalf of the committee for all her hard work during her time as one of the lead Councillor for allotments.

Allotment Invoice

The Chair raised the matter of the receipt of an invoice for work carried out on an allotment. Discussion took place regarding the work involved and the amount of the invoice.

Proposed: Councillor Bryant Seconded: Councillor Cooke

RESOLVED: that

- a) **a more detailed breakdown of work carried out be requested**
- b) **the invoice be paid**
- c) **in future, details of such work to be done and the estimated costs be brought before the committee prior to work commencing.**

Councillor Cooke informed the meeting that three dates have been arranged to enable Councillors to evaluate the allotments prior to the allotment judging day. The first walk around will take place on the 13th April and will take in Westfields and Castle Walk.

C11.03.17 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 Sat/Sunday/BH Monday	-	Richmond Meet – weekend
Friday 7 July	-	Civic Event
Saturday 23 rd September	-	Duck Club Coffee Morning – Town Hall
Saturday 28 th October	-	Duck Club – Halloween Party
Friday 27 th October	-	RBL – Richmond, Launch of Poppy Appeal

Friday 3rd November - RBL Festival of Remembrance Concert, Richmond School
Saturday 11 November - Service of the Crosses – Friary Gardens 11.00 a.m.
Sunday 12th November - Remembrance Sunday
Friday 1 December - Switch on of Christmas Lights

C12.03.17 **Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 19th April 2017 at 6.30a.m.
Councillor Spencer gave his apologies.