

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING (Reconvened from 1st April 2014)
29th April 2014**

Present: Councillors Upson (Chairman), Campbell, Draper, Jones, Kenyon, Leach, Nicholson, Swift, Westmorland & Wilson.

Apologies: Councillors S. Gilliver-Cooper, S.L.Gilliver-Cooper, McIntyre, Pickin & Wootton.

394 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That in view of the confidential nature of business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press are excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

395 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors should disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest/s in any item/s on this agenda.

The Chairman read out the following statement. Members are referred to, and shall observe, the provisions of the Hemsworth Town Council's Code of Conduct. If a Councillor has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest he/she must, unless a dispensation has been granted, withdraw from the meeting room and take no part in the discussion or vote. If any interest (Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary) has not been entered in the Town Council's register then you must disclose it at the meeting and inform the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the date of initial disclosure. Failure to abide by the provisions of the Code in regard to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests now amounts to a criminal offence.

No disclosures were made.

396 COMMITTEE & SUB COMMITTEE MEETINGS

To adopt and confirm the Minutes of Committees & Sub Committees and consider matters arising for information, as detailed in Minute Book No. 6, 2013/2014:

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N.B. Payments re: January 2014 are detailed on pages 280- 285.

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397 COMMITTEE & SUB COMMITTEE MEETINGS - continued

It was agreed that a correction be made to those present at the meeting (Special Finance held 11 February 2014) as follows; Councillors Kenyon & Wilson and Councillor Draper should be deleted.

The minutes were moved as a true record.

398 QUESTIONS ON THE MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION

Councillor Kenyon stated that Minute No. 358 was incorrect (ICO Decision Notice) as the Town Clerk had failed to inform the Council that she had breached section 17(7) (a) and (b) of the FOIA.

The Clerk responded by stating that the all the details had been reported and the full decision had been published on the website. In addition to this the Commissioner had stated that he did not require any further steps in this case but he would expect to follow the correct procedures under the FOIA in any future refusals.

At this point in the meeting Councillor Kenyon started to raise other matters that were not on the agenda and a heated debate took place with the Clerk. The Chairman moved progress.

Councillor Kenyon continued to make accusations against the Clerk and the Council and the Chairman issued Councillor Kenyon with a warning.

399 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Minutes No. 351 (14/11/95), the accounts for payment as examined and approved under Minute No. 3450 of the Finance Committee held on 11 March 2014 be confirmed for payment.

400 HEMSWORTH & DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

It was agreed that Councillor Swift & Westmorland represent the Town Council on this committee.

Councillor Leach arrived at the meeting @ 6.50 p.m.

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401 MATTERS RAISED BY THE CHAIRMAN

a. West End, Hemsworth

The Chairman gave details of matters relating to the regeneration of the West End area and possible funding available along with information received from Councillor Hodson (WMDC). Members discussed this matter in detail and Councillor Kenyon informed members that he was aware of a grant that the District Council had received for deprived areas in the region of £5 to £7 million.

It was agreed that following the information received that the Town Clerk writes to the District Council informing them that Hemsworth Town Council have an expression of interest in this land and that the Town Council wish to be consulted on any plans for the future use of this land. In addition to this the Town Clerk would enquire about the grant.

It was further agreed that Councillor Hodson be invited to a meeting with the Town Council to discuss these matters.

The meeting closed @ 7.00 p.m.

Tina Pattison
Town Clerk
29 April 2014

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