



BRIDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL (BTC)
Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 18th September 2024
in the Town Council Offices, 2A Marshall Avenue, Bridlington at 7pm

The meeting was held with Councillors Rick Arrand (Chair), Liam Dealtry, Mike Heslop -Mullens, Tim Norman, Thelma Milns, Malcolm Milns, Ray Pollard, Carlo Verda, Andy Walker & Angela Walker, a total of Ten (10).

Six (6) Members of the Public were present at the meeting.

The Town Clerk recorded the minutes

107.24/25 Mayors Welcome (with notification of Recording and Fire Disclaimer):

RESOLVED: *the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and read out the Recording and Fire Disclaimer.*

108.24/25 To receive and accept apologies for absence:

RESOLVED: *Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs John Arthur and Cyril Marsburg*

109.24/25 Declarations of Interest:

- a) To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in report of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

RESOLVED: *All ERYC Cllrs noted a non-pecuniary interest in item 18 a-i and Cllrs Arrand declared he had been involved in meetings with members of the Allotments and conducted a visit with the Town clerk but gave no judgement.*

- b) To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below.

RESOLVED: *No Dispensations were given*

110.24/25 Public Participation session to include items on the agenda (two minutes per person - maximum of fifteen minutes) to include members of the Public and Councillors with interests):

Member of Public 1- This month's meeting ran as usual there were a couple of points discussed:

- Retrospective Planning regarding the change of use of a property to flats, this has only just gone into planning now although the changes have already been made. A neighbour of the property had asked a question at the meeting to see if extra sound proofing could be put in as there had been loud noises heard through the walls since the change of use.
- Fly tipping, the meeting was made aware two day prior to the BCAG meeting of the ERYC initiative for Fly tipping, this covers 4 areas within the groups remit. They have been in touch to see if the ERYC could attend a meeting it was too short notice for this one, but they hope it will be a good opportunity for the next meeting which is the AGM.
- Resurfacing of North Street, questions were asked if the Car Park on North Street would be made available for residents whilst this resurfacing was taking place, ERYC have come back to say that the resurfacing is to take place and the Car Park will be made available, questions will be asked if the Car Park can be used by residents of Travis Street and surrounding areas for their resurfacing works too.

Member of public 2 - The NHW meeting was held last night and there weren't loads of people but a reasonable turn out. There was a discussion regarding the Skips that are being funded for the South side of Bridlington, there was also a discussion regarding the UKSPF funding that is currently available and what items this could be used for.

Member of the Public 3- Spoke as an allotment holder at ducky Dyke allotments, he felt the allotments were becoming a place to avoid due to some of the discussions and disagreements that have been going on He let it had ben less of a pleasure and others felt this way too. It was felt that correct procedures have not been followed with notices appearing and disappearing as quickly. Records including minutes it was felt are not recorded properly and minutes not made available. Rules seem to change daily, and there had been a vote of no confidence for the current management committee. It was discussed that there needs to be a move forward with a suitable meeting, management committee, trustees and concise rules for the allotments. He stated that the person who has resigned

his post will be missed and spent more time there than anyone keeping a general eye on the plots. He hoped for some normality to be restored.

Member of Public 4 - Spoke as an Allotment holder at Ducky dyke allotments for 14 years. They felt that the rules drawn up most recently were the biggest problem, these did not allow any flexibility, they stated the old rules issued by BTC worked well for many years. The discussed some of the concerns and pitfalls with the new rules, he felt as these had only just been handed to the former Chairman, he would have fallen foul of these inadvertently during site security checks. He felt that people had not been operating within their sphere of responsibility for around two years. The felt that the former chairman had been circumnavigated by other management post holders making is role as chairman impossible to carry out. No body had realized the recently appointed treasurer was the mother of the secretary and it was thought that management position should not be held by close family members.

Member of Public 5 – They were there to speak about the recently resigned chairman, he has had is plot for over 2 decades and has visited and spent many hours every day on the 2 plots he has. He is normally first to arrive checking everything is secure and if anyone needs any help. If you need any spare parts or tools, he will probably have it, and knowledge about growing he is a hive of knowledge. As for a lot of the plot holders he is a bit of a national treasure. He lives alone in a small flat in Bridlington, this is relevant because the Allotment is his garden, he doesn't have any family and the other plot holders are his family, he will even be in the allotment in the winter taking breaks to keep warm in his shed, with others joining him for the peace and tranquility. Sadley, recently things have changed, and this has led to him resigning as Chairman, Lease holder and tenant. We are all very sad about him leaving the allotments and hope that he will be persuaded to change his mind, if he doesn't, we hope he will visit us often to help us with his gardening expertise and keep in touch with his many friends at the allotments.

111.24/25 Brief from Humberside Police (Brief 10 Mins Question 5 Mins):

RESOLVED: *Police were not in attendance at the meeting*

112.24/25 To receive the list of Civic Duties, Responsibilities and Training for the Town Council:

Civic Duties, Responsibilities & Training from 21st August 2024 – 18th September 2024

Mayor & Mayoress:

24.08.24 Art Society event
 24.08.24 Trophy presentation at Dukes Park Bowling Club
 25.08.24 Flamborough RNLi Funday
 28/.08.24 Mayor's charity Golf day
 31.08.24 Bridlington Festival
 03.09.24 Merchant Navy Day
 13.09.24 Mayor's charity Race night
 14.09.24 10th Bridlington Autum Show

Total of Events attended by the Mayor & Mayoress 8

Deputy Mayor & Deputy Consort:

21.08.24 Bridlington Health Forum
 03.09.24 Merchant Navy Day
 11.09.24 Bridlington Health forum

Total of Events attended by the Deputy Mayor & Deputy Consort 3

Other Councillors:

21.08.24 Bridlington Health Forum – Cllr Andy Walker
 04.09.24 Christmas Working Group Meeting with Local Growth and Angela Langton – Cllrs T Milns and Angie Walker
 11.09.24 Bridlington Health forum – Cllr Mike Heslop – Mullens
 12.09.24 ERNLLCA AGM – Cllr Mike Heslop – Mullens

Total of Events attended by Other Councillors 4

Omitted from Previous Minutes – to be added:

For Information ONLY

Staff:

03.09.24 Merchant Navy Day – Ericka Kelly

04.09.24 Christmas Working Group Meeting with Local Growth and Angela Langton

10.09.24 Tactics and Tools for a Clerk – Ericka Kelly

11.09.24 CILCA – Ericka Kelly

Total of Events attended by Staff 4

113.24/25 To approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 21.08.24 as a true record:

RESOLVED: *the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 21.08.24 were APPROVED as a true record*

114.24/25 To receive the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 27.08.24

RESOLVED: *the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 27.08.24 were APPROVED*

115.24/25 To receive the minutes of the Newsletter Committee held on 28.08.24:

RESOLVED: *the minutes of the Newsletter Committee held on 28.08.24 were APPROVED*

116.24./25 To Receive the minutes of the Finance Committee held on 03.09.24:

RESOLVED: *the minutes of the Finance Committee held on 03.09.24 were ACCEPTED with item 35.24/25 being returned to the next Finance meeting for re-consideration*

117.24/25 To receive a Report with updates regarding the Remembrance Parade 2024:

RESOLVED: *The report was APPROVED with thanks to the Town Clerk for the work put in*

118.24/25 To consider the Christmas Report regarding the Christmas Lights Switch on and ERYC Fire and Ice Festival to be held on Saturday 16th November 2024:

RESERVED: *The Christmas Light Switch on was APPROVED as per the report, and the Prizes for Mayors Christmas Card Competition were APPROVED*

119.24/25 To Consider the report regarding Christmas Pomanders for placement in the Town Centre:

RESOLVED: *it was APPROVED to purchase 35 pomanders for placement in the Town Centre*

120/24/25 To consider the information provided regarding sponsorship of the 'Mischief Rats':

RESOLVED: *The Town Council decided NOT to provide sponsorship for the 'Mischief Rats'*

121.24/25 To consider the information regarding the Community News and the production of a Town Guide:

RESOLVED: *The Town Council resolved NOT to look into the production of the Town Guide*

122.24/25 To consider the information on the Yorkshire Air Ambulance Penguins and if Bridlington Town Council should invest in having one:

RESOLVED: *The Town Council decided NOT to invest in a YAA Penguin at this time.*

123.24/25 To consider the Skatepark Coordinators Monthly Report – July 2024:

RESOLVED: *the Skatepark report was NOTED*

124.24/25 To receive items of correspondence:

RESOLVED: *All items of correspondence were NOTED unless otherwise stated*

- a) 20.08.24 ERYC – TTRO 7.10.24 Market Place Bridlington
- b) 20.08.24 ERYC – TTRO 7.10.24 Scarborough Road Bridlington
- c) 20.08.24 ERYC – TTRO 16.10.24 Sands Lane Boynton
- d) 05.09.24 ERYC – TTRO 14.10.24 Well Lane Bypass Bridlington
- e) 05.09.24 ERYC – TTRO 09.12.24 Nelson Street Bridlington
- f) 09.09.24 ERYC – TTRO 09.09.24 Fifth Avenue – Emergency Order
- g) 09.09.24 ERYC – TTRO 05.09.24 Neptune Street – Emergency Order
- h) 09.09.24 ERYC – notification of commencement of planned Highway maintenance A165 Scarborough Road Roundabouts.
- i) 09.09.24 ERYC- TTRO 22.09.24 Civic Service Road Closures

125.24/25 Newsletters/Agendas & Minutes – attached unless otherwise stated:

RESOLVED: *All items were NOTED unless otherwise stated*

- i. 31.07.24 – East Riding VCSE Minutes – July Meeting
- ii. 13.08.24 – BCAG minutes of the August Meeting
- iii. 23.08.24 – ERNLLCA – August Newsletter – electronic copy emailed to Cllrs
- iv. September 2024 – Humberside Police Parish and Town Release
- v. September 2024 – Clerk and council direct – copy in the office

126.24/25 To receive a statement of balances and to approve the schedule of accounts for payment:

127.24/25 To receive notice of items for inclusion on the next agenda for Wednesday 16th October 2024:

Cllr Liam Dealtry passed on his apologies for the next meeting as he will be at the Fair

Section B:

In accordance with the power granted by the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, to resolve that the Public and Media be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that confidential matters will be discussed:

127.24/25 To receive and consider the report and supporting information regarding Ducky Dyke Allotments:

RESOLVED: Following a full discussion regarding the ongoing concerns, the supplementary documents that had been received and the information given in Section A, The town councillors carefully considered all options for the allotments to look at providing a harmonious way forward. The following was recommended:

1. Bridlington Town council will take back the running of Duck Duke Allotments for a minimum term of 1 year
2. To ask the current treasurer to ensure that the allotment insurance is up to date, this is due on the 6th October 2024
3. The Town Clerk to write a letter to the current Trustee detailing what the current situation is, what will be happening and to request all details of the plot holder, to request access with passwords to the Social media account and to request that a change over of the signatories of the bank details is carried out.
4. The Town Clerk with the help and advice from the Environment Committee, re-write the rules for the allotments.
5. The Town Clerk to ensure that the current Trustee is informed of the position and a notice posted on the Allotment notice board for all plot holders' information.

Signed:

Mayor of Bridlington

Date: