



## Minutes of Mirfield Town Council Meeting

Held on: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at 7.30pm

Held at: Council Offices, Huddersfield Road, Mirfield

**Councillors Present:**

D Pinder, J Nottingham, J Hirst, T Hirst, E Armitage, M Hamilton, A Mapplebeck, C Walker, M Bolt

**In Attendance:**

Administrator: Lisa Staggs  
Public: S Benson  
Press: Richard Mirfield Reporter

**MTC114/2014 Chairman's Welcome and Remarks:**

The Deputy Chairman Cllr T Hirst welcomed everyone in attendance

**MTC115/2014 Public Question Time:**

NONE

**MTC116/2014 Apologies For Absence**

Members are reminded that apologies should be sent to the Administrator or Chairman if they are unable to attend.

J Fearn, A Burton, S Harding, K Taylor, J Taylor, V Lees-Hamilton, A White

**MTC117/2014 Declaration of Interest**

Councillors to declare an interest, if applicable to any item on the agenda.

Cllr D Pinder – Royal British Legion & Mirfield Community Partnership  
Cllr M Bolt – Mirfield Moor

**Cllr T Hirst Proposed to suspend standing orders and bring forward MTC122 Item 3 Cllr Pinder Seconded Vote: All in favour**

**MTC118/2014 Confirmation of Minutes**

- i. To approve minutes of the ordinary meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> September 2014 as a true and correct record including payments of **Nil**  
Cllr D Pinder stated that MTC107 Street Naming at Former Wasps nest should be amended to 'known centre for Luddites at the beginning of 19<sup>th</sup> century' and **Proposed** that following this amendment the minutes were a true and correct record Cllr M Bolt **Seconded Vote: 1 in favour (Cllr Nottingham) 6 abstained**
- ii. To receive information on the following on going issues and decide further action where necessary. Cllr Pinder refers to MTC108 and

states that a new route is not being suggested, just a diversion round the parade. Cllr Hirst updates on the licensing regarding street peddlers at the Christmas Lights Switch On. He states it will be fully policed and that both the police and licensing will be contactable on the night. He states that the street peddlers are applying to Manchester for licenses and that there is nothing MTC can do regarding that. Cllr Bolt mentions the 'Santa Dash' MTC 112 and states that MTC were only advising safe practice and risk assessment. Cllr Bolt also states that MTC102 regarding street cleaning has resulted in other residents complaining. He states he has contacted cleansing who informed him that they carry out 'Gully' cleaning on a cyclical basis.

**MTC119/2014**

**Finance**

To consider and decide any action where necessary on the following matters:

1. BT Direct Debit £44.91 – **NOTED**

<b>OCTOBER</b>		
<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Administrator L Staggs	October Salary	£ 512.01
HMRC	October PAYE	£ 128.00
Ben Hardcastle	Christmas Lights	£3000.00
PKF Littlejohn	External Audit 13/14	£ 360.00
Robert	Fees Bellway	£ 390.00
Halstead	Fees Mirfield Moor	£ 780.00
Just Gardens	September Maintenance	£ 80.00
Zurich	Remembrance Parade	£ 53.00
Insurance		
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>£5303.01</b>

Cllr Pinder **Proposed** payment en block Cllr Nottingham  
**Seconded Vote: 8 in favour Cllr Bolt abstained due to Item 7 on the agenda.**

**MTC120/2014**

**Grant Applications**

1. To consider grant applications submitted: NONE
2. To receive updates from previously approved grants: NONE

**MTC121/2014**

**Planning**

1. To consider planning applications received from Kirklees Council.  
 2014/93117 16 Knowl Rd Erection of single storey extension - **Noted**  
 2014/93263 11 Park Avenue Erection of single storey extension to side & rear - **Noted Cllr Pinder declared an interest**  
 2014/2014/93213 1 Parker Lane Erection of 2 storey side & single storey rear extension - **Noted**
2. To consider planning decision notifications from Kirklees Council – **No Comments/Noted**
3. Mirfield Moor – No Update keep on agenda.
4. Balderstone Hall Lane – No Update keep on agenda

**MTC122/2014**

**Community**

To receive an update/discuss/note:

1. Mirfield Toilets Cleaning Contract – Cllr Pinder updates Cllrs on the Cleaning contract and informs them that unbeknown to MTC Well Polished is a franchise and that Tracy Martin to whom MTC are contracted has left this franchise due to an internal dispute. Cllr Pinder confirms a telephone conversation with the head office in which he was told that they had no way of continuing with the service as they didn't know who the local cleaner was. Tracy agreed to continue with the service she had been providing. He confirmed that the administrator had cancelled the standing order with Well Polished. Cllr Pinder **Proposed** to continue with Tracy under the new name of Extra Mile Cleaning Company and sign a new contract and new standing order in this name Cllr Nottingham  
**Seconded Vote: All in favour**

**MTC123/2014**

### **Internal Matters**

To receive information on the following items and decide any action where necessary.

1. Employment Committee – Defer to next meeting awaiting YLCA update.
2. Eastthorpe Gardens – Cllr Hirst advises MTC of an email from WYPW regarding flagging the central bed and that they are objecting on the basis of anti-social behaviour in the gardens. Cllr Hirst states that when this was first mentioned in Summer WYPW were in favour of this seating arrangement and states that he is not aware of any anti-social behaviour nor has MTC received any notification of this or vandalism to existing seating. Cllr Pinder agrees that the existing seating has not been vandalised and that there is no way of locking the gardens. Cllr Armitage states that the gardens are for residents use not just WYPW. Cllrs discuss the quotation from Just Gardens to clear the bed and lay the flags @ £610.00 Cllr Pinder **Proposed** that MTC accept this estimate from Just Gardens as they have the tender for the maintenance Cllr Hamilton **Seconded Vote: All in favour**
3. Defibrillator Presentation – Jill from St John Ambulance gives a presentation to MTC. She shows the Defibrillator to MTC stating that it is easy and designed for children to use. It records the entire incident for the Emergency services and guides the user through verbally and with written instructions on the unit. She confirms battery life and gives a brief demonstration of how to use one. Cllr Bolt asks if there are external fittings available and the cost of the unit. Jill confirms that there are fittings available and that the unit costs £1600 including battery pads and training. She recommends that anyone buying a unit advertise that they have one locally by signage or local press and inform the ambulance service. She confirms they have 7 year warranty and that they can be part exchanged or returned. Cllr Hamilton asks for a price on an outside cabinet Jill confirms that she will ask her head office to supply this. Cllrs agree that a local central point would be beneficial as the public cannot easily access schools and that MTC need to seriously look into the best place for one. Cllr Bolt **Proposed** that Cllr T Hirst heads a working party to look into possible grants available and involve local community groups, 1

per ward for starters Cllr Pinder **Seconded Vote: All in favour**  
Cllrs Pinder & Armitage volunteer for the working party. Cllr T Hirst thanks Jill for her presentation and concluded by saying that MTC do not want to get left behind with this initiative. Cllr Pinder thanks Cllr Hirst for his initiative with this and arranging the presentation.  
**Cllr T Hirst Proposed to reinstate standing orders Cllr Armitage Seconded Vote: All in favour**

**MTC124/2014** **Correspondence**

To receive the following items of correspondence and decide any action where necessary.

1. Rural Action Yorkshire – **Noted**
2. YLCA White Rose Update – **Noted**
3. Trinity Methodist Christmas Tree Festival - Cllr Mapplebeck  
**Proposed** that MTC take part in the Tree Festival at a fee of £18 and also provide the prize of £25 Cllr Nottingham **Seconded Vote: All in favour**

**MTC125/2014** **Matters for Report and Information**

Members wishing to raise items under this heading should consult the Chairman prior to the meeting.

Cllr Pinder reminds MTC that the Remembrance Parade is Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November at Ings Grove Park

**MTC126/2014** **The Date Of The Next Town Council Meeting:**

Cllr Hirst thanked everyone for their attendance.

Date of next meeting **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

Time Meeting Closed.....**8.25pm**.....