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## MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF EASTWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

Held at 7pm on Monday 20th December 2021

Present: Cllrs T. Aram. D. Bagshaw, S. Bagshaw (Mayor), E. Benton, R. Bullock, M. Bullock, J. Foxhall, M. Hannah, M. Radulovic MBE, M. Seagrave, K. Woodhead. J.

Williamson (Deputy Town Clerk) and Rev D. Stevenson.

Teresa Burgoyne – Durban House Community Trust, Glen Hassle – Durban House Community Trust

1 member of the public

#### TC201221/1 To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs K. Boam and R. Woods.

## **TC201221/2 Prayers**

Prayers were taken by Rev. D. Stevenson.

## TC201221/3 Variation of Order of Business

RESOLVED that item 12 - Funding Request from Durban House be brought forward.

#### TC201221/12 Funding Request for Durban House

Teresa Burgoyne and Glen Hassle of the Durban House Community Hub Trust made a short presentation on the plans for the future of Durban House which is to provide much needed Mental Health services to the North of Broxtowe area. The project aims to supplement existing services and provide much needed dementia and other mental health care, for which the North of the Borough is currently lacking. Cllr M Radulovic presented a suggestion that the Town Council commit to provide a £25,000 donation as the current pandemic had created a very high demand for services such as this and the uncertain future was likely to increase this need. Councillors agreed and were fully in support of such a service being created, however as the project was still in the early stages, Cllrs requested that further information be provided before a decision was made. **RESOLVED to agree a donation in principle subject to an official application and further information being received from the Durban House Community Trust.** 

#### TC201221/4 Declarations of Members Interests

Cllrs S Bagshaw, R Bullock and K Woodhead declared an interest in Allotments should the item arise.

#### TC201221/5 Public Speaking

a) Cllr Bagshaw read out the Police Report provided by Sergeant S Boyles.

Comparing the last two weeks to the 18<sup>th</sup> December against the last two weeks of November crime in the region was down overall, however there was an increase of 2 incidents (to 21 up from 19 previously) of violence against a person with 4 of those incidents resulting in injury and an increase of 1 theft of motor vehicle. Cllrs requested that as the current report was not in the usual format it was not as clear and requested that Sergeant Boyle be asked to present the figures in a clearer format. Cllr Foxhall offered to graph the data in futures to show the figures in a more relatable format. Cllrs Bagshaw and Woodhead wished to express their gratitude for the work the police had been carrying out in the Princes Street/Hopkins Court area. Councillors asked the Deputy Clerk to contact Sergeant Boyle and ask that should be unable to attend the meeting would it be possible to send a replacement.

- b) Cllr M Radulovic (Broxtowe Borough Council) reported that the Borough were currently in the process in providing updates to the CCTV Monitoring systems in Eastwood which he felt would further help with controlling criminal activity in the area. Cllr Radulovic wanted to draw the attention of Councillors
- to the state of the roads in Eastwood. In particular Queens Road South which was badly deteriorating and Nottingham Road/King Street where there were large potholes. As Councillor E Cubley was absent there was no comment on this matter from Nottinghamshire County Council. Cllr Radulovic suggested that Cllr Cubley be invited to join ETC Councillors for a walk-through Eastwood to highlight the issues. The Mayor Cllr S Bagshaw reported that she had spoken to Cllr Cubley and he had asked to be sent a list of the meetings for 2022 and he would endeavour to attend in the future.
  - c) There were no questions from members of the public.

TC201221/6 To determine which additional items on any part of the agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

NONE

TC201221/7 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council Meeting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

RESOLVED to agree and sign the Minutes as a true and accurate record.

## TC201221/8 To Confirm and Agree December 2021 Income and Payments

Cllr Radulovic wished to comment on the 'incredible' Remembrance Service saying it was a credit to all involved. Cllr R Bullock wished to thank Cllrs K Boam and K Woodhead for stepping in as Lead Marshalls during his absence due to Covid. Cllr Bagshaw wished to thank the Deputy Clerks for her efforts in organising the recent Remembrance Sunday event.

RESOLVED that all income and payments be noted and agreed (attached at Appendix A to the Minutes).

TC201221/9 Consideration of Accounts to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 and Bank Reconciliation RESOLVED that the accounts and bank reconciliation to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 as submitted be agreed.

#### TC201221/10 Town Mayors Announcements – Cllr S Bagshaw (Mayor) Cllr

Bagshaw reported that she attended the following events:-

- Remembrance Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021 laid a wreath on behalf of Eastwood Town Council
- Eastwood Christmas Lights Switch On jointly switched on the lights with the Mayor of Broxtowe Borough Council.
- Planted 12 Cherry Trees at Mansfield Road Recreation Ground on behalf of the people who have lost their lives to Covid.
- Attended the opening night of the new Indian restaurant in Eastwood

## TC201221/11 Levelling-Up Agenda Bid for Eastwood

Cllr Radulovic provided an update on the current situation with the Levelling up Bid. Informing Cllrs that the date for submission had been put back by the government, because of the delays Cllr Radulovic reported that he felt this could reduce the time period for delivery of the bid.

Cllr Radulovic also reported that he felt there was a need for increased disabled access in the town and further improvements to the buildings at the entrance to the town and these could be incorporated into the bid once it is finalised. Cllr Radulovic reported that once further details had been received, he would report back to council.

**NOTED** 

#### TC201221/13 Funding request from L Leisure Ltd for 2022 Projects

- a) Eastwood Christmas Lights Switch On £7,200 (inc VAT)
- b) Eastwood Play Day £3,600 (inc VAT)

RESOLVED to defer this item to the next agenda.

## TC201221/14 Improvement to the Eastwood Christmas Lights

## a) To receive an update of the Christmas Lights for 2021 - Cllr M Radulovic

Cllr Radulovic reported to Council that he had spoken with Leisure Lites Ltd in Eastwood and they had offered to provide further lighting to the trees between Eastwood and Hilltop for the rest of 2021 and these lights would then remain the property of Eastwood for the future at the cost £9,500 plus VAT.

RESOLVED that Cllr Radulovic instruct Leisure Lites Ltd to erect the lights as soon as possible and invoice the Council for the cost of £9,500 plus VAT.

## b) To receive a report on the Christmas Lights for 2022 - Cllr T Aram

Cllr Aram presented a report on the possible options for improvement to the Christmas Lights in Eastwood for 2022 with a recommendation that a working party be formed to discuss these options further and present their findings to the Full Council.

RESOLVED that Cllr Aram form a working party to discuss the Christmas Lights for 2022.

#### TC201221/15 Committee Meetings – Cllr Aram

Cllr Aram reported that from the responses he had received, it was clear that having meetings in the daytime prevented some Councillors from taking part.

#### **NOTED**

## TC201221/16 Community Governance Review

Cllr M Bullock reported that he had submitted some suggested changes and these had been taken into account. However, looking at the total loss of houses due to the boundary change for Eastwood, the review would result in a loss of precept of over £7000.

RESOLVED that Cllr M Bullock submit a response to the proposals.

## TC201221/17 Resignation – Cllr A Parker

It was reported that Cllr A Parker had now resigned from the Council.

#### **NOTED**

## TC201221/18 Correspondence

The Deputy Clerk had distributed an email received from a member of the public about the state of disrepair to the buildings at the entrance to Eastwood. Cllr Radulovic reported that Broxtowe Borough Council were currently looking at this issue, but that as the buildings were privately owned and also in a conservation area it was not a straightforward matter, however, if the Borough had to take action that they would do so. Councillors expressed their concern about the safety of the buildings. Cllr Bagshaw agreed that the buildings were in a dangerous condition and reported that he would investigate the matter further.

#### **NOTED**

The Meeting Closed at 9.11 pm.

**Eastwood Town Council -**

13th

December 2021

PAYMENTS TO APPROVE

Monday 13th December 2021

APPROVE	De	cember 2021				
Date	Cheques	Name	Invoice No.	Description	V A T	Total inc VAT
14/11/2021	Cash	Buglers		Remembrance Sunday - Buglers		£60.00
14/11/2021	Cash	Hilltop Florist		Remembrance Sunday - Floral Displays at Memorial		£60.00
13/12/2021	BACS	Screwfix		Cable Ties	£1.28	£7.72
13/12/2021	BACS	House of Flags		3 x Union Jack Flags	£47.10	£282.60
13/12/2021	BACS	Zycomm		Remembrance Sunday - Radios	£31.30	£187.80
13/12/2021	BACS	ENVA		Skip at Dovecote Road	£43.00	£258.00
13/12/2021	BACS	ENVA		Skip at Derby Road	£43.00	£258.00
13/12/2021	BACS	Leisure Lites Ltd		Install 3 flags in Eastwood (including out of hours charge)	£30.00	£180.00
13/12/2021	BACS	Beauvale Photography		Remembrance Sunday - Photography		£75.00
13/12/2021	BACS	Dereck Burnet		Remembrance Sunday - First Responders		£150.00
13/12/2021	BACS	42nd Notts Boys Brigade		Remembrance Sunday - Band		£300.00
13/12/2021	BACS	Rev D Stevenson		Remembrance Sunday - Donation to Church		£100.00
17/12/2021	BACS	Notts CC		Pension		£279.33
23/12/2021	BACS	Salaries		Salaries		£1,021.68
					£195.68	£3,220.13