

PETERLEE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL, PETERLEE

ON MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019 at 6.30PM

PRESENT:- COUN A WATSON (CHAIR)

Mesdames:- K Hawley, K Liddell, K Duffy, L Fenwick, & S Simpson

Messrs:- S Miles, R Moore, S McGlen, R Kyle, J Robinson, S Kirkup & C Watkins

As the Chair and Vice Chair were both absent from the meeting the Town Clerk opened the meeting and invited a motion from the floor to nominate a Chair. Councillor S. Miles nominated Councillor A Watson and Councillor K Hawley seconded. There were no further nominations and it was RESOLVED that Councillor Watson chair the meeting.

118. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were offered and accepted from Councillors S Meikle, T Duffy, A Long, G Carne & A Wilkinson.

119. Public Participation Session

A public participation session was held to allow members of the public an opportunity to put questions to the Council. There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

120. To receive declarations of interest

Members were reminded of the need to disclose any interests in items on this agenda, whether pecuniary or otherwise, none were received.

121. The Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 17<sup>TH</sup> December 2018 and Special Council Meeting of the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019 a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, were approved.

Matters Arising

Minute Number 108 – Acoustic Panels

Progress with this installation was requested. The Town Clerk reported that The Pavilion Manager had requested a number of estimates from different companies and had only received one quote so far. **RESOLVED progress be awaited.**

Minute Number 117 – 2019/20 Draft Budget and Precept Demand

Councillor R Moore requested an amendment to show he had seconded Councillor A Watson's motion for a proposed amendment to the original motion, of a 1% reduction

in precept cost to council tax payers. **RESOLVED minute number 117 to be amended to show Councillor R Moore seconded the motion.**

122. The Minutes of the Resources Committee of the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, were noted.

123. The Minutes of the Community & Environment Committee of the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, were noted.

Matters arising

Minute Number 68 – Thorntree Gill Allotment site – amenity room and storage area

Progress was requested with this new build, and the Town Clerk advised he the matter was with the Building Regulations department at DCC and he expected a response in 2 – 3 weeks time.

**RESOLVED the information given be noted.**

Minutes Number 74 – Peterlee Show Entertainment 2019, Circus entry

An update about the matter of charging for the show Circus was requested. The Town Clerk advised it was a decision for Members had to make. Members asked if it was possible to have donation buckets at the entrance, instead of charging a fee. The Town Clerk is to discuss this with the Corporate Service Manager. **RESOLVED to await a further update on this matter.**

124. Spokesperson of the North East Party's Report

Councillor A Watson advised as the weather is getting colder, we must look out for our older neighbours, animals and wildlife to make sure they are safe and he would like to see some work done around arranging a dog fouling campaign. **RESOLVED the information given, be noted. FURTHER RESOLVED a Dog Fouling Campaign is to be discussed at the next Community and Environment meeting.**

125. Spokesperson of the Labour Political Party's Report

Councillor L Fenwick explained she was happy to see that Galliford Try Partnerships have applied to Durham County Council for planning permission to build 67 homes on the site of the former Eden Community Primary School, 42 of which were affordable homes and 25 were rent to buy. Councillor L Fenwick also offered her congratulations to Eden Hill's People Centre who are due to benefit from a successful bid to the National Lottery fund. **RESOLVED the information given be noted.**