

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WEIGH AND TOLLS COMMITTEE OF YARM  
TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE TOWN HALL COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM ON  
TUESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2011**

**PRESENT**

**Chairman:** Councillor Hadlow

**Councillors:** Cllrs: Chatburn, Houchen, Hornby, Monck, Neil, Sherris, Mrs. Simpson, Wegg and Mr. P Smith (Ratepayers Representative)

**Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer:** Mrs. M Milburn

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs: Johnson and Webster.

3 Members of the public attended the meeting.

**21 MINUTES**

21.1 The minutes of the previous meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2011 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

21.2 To minutes of the meeting with the Showmen's Guild of Great Britain held on 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2011, were agreed as a true and accurate record.

**22 CODE OF CONDUCT – DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

22.1 No declaration of interest was declared.

**23 MATTERS ARISING**

23.1 Item 15.2. The permanent display of the Town Hall infill boards. The Clerk confirmed the planning application has been submitted.

23.2 Item 17.3. The purchase of new road signs for Yarm Fair. The Clerk confirmed she has written to Stockton Borough Council querying who should pay for new road signs and who has the responsibility of road closures.

**24 ACCOUNTS**

24.1 The Weigh & Tolls Committee accounts were presented and agreed with authorisation granted for additional payment to JJays for 10,000 parking disks at a cost of £2,040

**25 USE OF TOWN HALL AND HIGH STREET**

25.1 Quotes were circulated for the painting and repair of the clock tower. The cleaning and refurbishment of the weather vane. The re-pointing of the roof and the painting of the external window frames. It was agreed that the work is awarded to company B, Stewart Greenidge décor, at a cost of £5,375. It was further agreed that the windows should be painted white and the clock tower should be painted white and gold. Funding will be taken from the Town Hall refurbishment fund. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk will issue instructions for the work to take place.

25.2 The need to strip and repaint the railings surrounding the war memorial was discussed. It was agreed that the Clerk approach Stewart Greenidge Décor and request that he carries out this work when he has completed the Town Hall. Discussions took place regarding bicycles being chained to the railings and it was agreed that signs should be displayed to discourage such actions.

**Chairman**.....

**Date**.....

**26 THE 2011 YARM GALA**

26.1 Mr. Smith informed the Council that the day had been a success despite the inclement weather. Mr Smith and Councillor Hadlow £240 income from the Gala to the clerk to be banked. Cllr Mrs Simpson requested an income and expenditure budget for the Gala be prepared and presented to the next meeting. This was agreed. Cllr Wegg queried whether or not the sponsorship money had arrived from the Tall Trees. The Clerk confirmed that this money was still outstanding. **AGREED:** Cllr Hadlow will make contact with the Mr Majid regarding this matter.

**27 THE 2011 YARM FAIR**

27.1 Cllr Hadlow read out a response from Stockton Borough Council regarding the cost of new road signs and the responsibility for road closures. The letter indicated that road closure was statutory and responsibility for the cost of road signage was that of Yarm Town Council. **AGREED:** After discussions it was agreed that Cllr Houchen will enter into further discussions with Stockton Borough Council before reporting back to Yarm Town Council at the next meeting in September. It was further agreed that if no suitable alternative arrangements could be found that the Clerk could then instruct Premier Traffic Management to proceed at a cost of £5180.

**28 FARMERS MARKET**

28.1 Mr Smith discussed the Farmers Market which will take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month starting the 24<sup>th</sup> of July 2011. A charge of £10 per stall will be made and the trading times will be from 8.00a.m. to 3.00 p.m. inclusive. All health and safety issues have been organised between Stockton Borough Council and the Northern Dales Farmers Market. Details can be found at [www.ndfm.co.uk](http://www.ndfm.co.uk) It was suggested that the anticipated income of approximately £200 per month be used to offset the cost of the Gala and a Jubilee street market for next year.

**29 TO RECEIVE ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

29.1 No items were received for information or consideration for the next agenda.

**30. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING OF THE WEIGH AND TOLL COMMITTEE.**

30.1 The date of the next meeting of the Weigh and Tolls Committee was confirmed as Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at 7.00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:15 pm

**Signed, this 13th day of September, 2011**

Chairman.....

Date.....