

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WEIGH AND TOLLS COMMITTEE OF YARM  
TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE TOWN HALL COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM ON  
TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2011**

**PRESENT**

**Chairman:** Councillor Hadlow

**Councillors:** Cllrs: Chatburn, Hornby, Houchen, Johnson, Monck, Neil, Sherris, Mrs. Simpson, Webster, and Wegg

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

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

No apologies for absence were received

6 Members of the public attended the meeting.

**68 MINUTES**

68.1 The minutes of the previous meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2011 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

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

69.1 No declaration of interest was declared.

**70 MATTERS ARISING**

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

Item 60.1 A request from the Rotary Club of Thornaby & Yarm for a Santa in the High Street on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2011. The Clerk confirmed that she had given written consent for this request

70.2 Item 61.2 The Bailiff is to be the liaison officer with the travellers. The Clerk was instructed to produce a hierarchy graph and job descriptions for the Bailiff and a job description for the Clerk during the week of the fair. This matter is on going

**70.3 THE QUEENS DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS**

Item 65.2 It was agreed that a road closure would need to be in place from 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at an approximate cost of £1500. The Clerk confirmed that she has submitted this request to Stockton BC.

70.4 The resignation of Paul Smith as the Ratepayers Representative was noted. Councillors expressed their thanks to Mr Smith for his hard work and support over the previous years.

70.5 Mr Philip Addison agreed to fill the vacancy of the Rate Payers Representative. This was proposed by Cllr. Monck and seconded by Cllr. Houchen. Cllr Wegg volunteered to be a member of the Cemetery Committee and Cllr. Hadlow agreed to take responsibility for the Farmers Market and other organisational activities carried out by Mr Smith.

**Resolved:** Mr Addison to become the Rate Payers Representative with immediate effect with Councillors Wegg and Hadlow accepting responsibilities for the duties as describe above.

**Chairman.....**

**Date.....**

**71**     **ACCOUNTS**

- 71.1    The Weigh & Tolls Committee accounts were presented and agreed with authorisation granted for an additional payments to:
- |                            |                       |           |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Premier Traffic Management | Yarm fair & new signs | £6,762    |
| Stockton BC -              | Manning of Yarm Fair  | £2,832.95 |
| J Hadlow                   | Santa Suit            | £69.99    |

**Cllr Hornby joined the meeting at 7.10 p.m.**

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

- 72.1    The street furniture in line with heritage and conservation aesthetics discussion was deferred to the Highways and environment committee .
- 72.2    Repairs to the plaque on the town hall that records the inaugural meeting of the Stockton & Darlington Railway was discussed and it was agreed that the cost of repairs should be obtained. **Agreed.** The Clerk is to contact a stone mason to get quotes for the repair.

**73**     **YARM FAIR**

- 73.1    A response form the Showmen’s Guild regarding an incident during the 2011 Yarm fair was noted

**74**     **FARMERS MARKET**

- 74.1    The Farmers Market is progressing well and the response from the public for the merging of the Christmas tree lighting with the Farmers Market was well received. However stall holders from the Farmers Market prefer to keep to the original time. This will be considered further before next year’s event.

**75**     **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE**

- 75.1    An e-mail from the Yarm CC Cadets was noted.
- 75.2    The Council thanked Cllr. Hornby for his participation in the Remembrance Sunday service.

**76**     **CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING EVENT.**

- 76.1    The Christmas tree lighting event and management of future events were discussed and it was agreed that improvements should be sought year upon year

**77**     **THE QUEENS DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS**

- 77.1    The proposals for the Queens Diamond Jubilee celebrations and responsibilities for the management of the event were discussed at length with all activities discussed at the Recreation Committee meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> September remaining the same.
- 77.2    The services of a Public Relations Officer was discussed and agreed Proposed by Cllr. Johnson and seconded by Cllr Chatburn.
- 77.3    An informal meeting with Kirklevington Parish Council to discuss the Queens Diamond Jubilee celebrations and partnership working arrangements to be held at 7.00 p.m. on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at the Tall Trees hotel was noted and agreed.

**Chairman.....**

**Date.....**

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

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

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

79.1 The date of the next meeting of the Weigh and Tolls Committee was confirmed Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7.00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7:28 pm

**Signed, this 10th day of January, 2012**

**Chairman.....**

**Date.....**