

# THE PARISH COUNCIL OF SEDBERGH

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council of Sedbergh held in The People's Hall, Sedbergh on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2010

Present: Councillors Hopkins(Chairman), Allan, Longlands, Atkins, Blair, Jameson, Pearson & McVoy and the Clerk, Mr Robertshaw.

1. **Apologies:** Apologies were received from Cllrs Sedgwick, Hodge and Lancaster, and accepted by the meeting.
2. **Declarations of Interest**  
None
3. **Minutes** of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2009 were accepted as a true record.
4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

a) **Purchase of Tennis Courts.**

Following a letter to SLDC by the Chairman a response has been received which is sympathetic to the council's position and stating that the matter is to be referred to the Portfolio Holder.

b) **Action re rubbish left in the Yards**

Letters sent to local residents and the definitive footpaths map is being sullied by YDNPA. The matter is now considered closed

c) **Legal Status of People's Hall Field**

Advice letter received from Dalton and Hague confirming the conditions that would have to be satisfied if the council ever decided to dispose of all or part of the football field.

5. **Planning**

<b>5.1. Applications</b>	<b>Parish Council Comments</b>
<b>S/03178B</b> -Castlehaw Bunk Barn Sedbergh. application for erection of 2 porches, removal of paving to side, Minor works to regularise fenestration and addition of timber bollards to rear (part retrospective)	Use of timber posts and boarding seems inappropriate, however we can only assume more traditional materials have been excluded for reasons unknown to us.
<b>S/03/487</b> - 28 Woodside Avenue, Sedbergh - application for erection of a conservatory at the rear of this property	No objections
<b>S/03/140H</b> - Telecommunication site at Joss Lane, Sedbergh - application for installation of a transmission dish	No objections

<b>5.2 Decisions</b>	<b>YDNPA Decision</b>
<b>S/03/261A</b> New rehearsal room for Sedbergh School, Guldrey Lodge Sedbergh	Withdrawn by applicant
<b>S/03/230F</b> Randall Hill Sedbergh	Approved - conditional
<b>S/03/ 338B</b> 2 Sycamore Ave Sedbergh	Approved - conditional
<b>S/03/485OH</b> Rear of Closes Garage, Station Rd Sedbergh – electric installation	Approved - conditional
<b>S/03/307B</b> Low Birks, Birks, Sedbergh	Approved - conditional

## **6. Finance**

- a) A report of the meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> February was presented to the meeting and accepted.
- b) The meeting agreed the attached requests for payment.
- c) The attached income and expenditure report and draft budget was discussed. Relevant committees will look at the budgets for Queens Gardens and the Football Field and a final budget agreed at the next meeting
- d) It was resolved that the Council should register for VAT as soon as possible and commence accounting for income from the Car Parks
- e) It was agreed to adopt the audit committee's recommendation on the use of application and feedback forms for grant applications.

## **7. Requests for Grants**

No grants were agreed.

## **8. Public Participation**

There were no members of the public in attendance

## **9. Car Parks**

### **a) Joss Lane**

United Utilities advise that they have completed a camera survey of the drains and that no faults were found. It was agreed that the chairman write to Tim Farron MP and thank him for his help in this matter.

### **b) Loftus Hill and Toilets**

Alan Steadman has indicated that the drain replacement will be undertaken during the next school break

## **10. Playing/Football Field**

### **a) Playing Field**

It was reported that a new site for the substation has been found which will give better access. The meeting gave agreement subject to seeing the proposed legal agreement

### **b) Playground**

Work on the play fence has been completed and the clerk is to investigate if any publicity can be had.

## **11. Town Centre Initiative.**

A project board has now been formed with the first meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> March. A draft consultants brief was presented to the meeting.

## **12. Sedbergh Conservation Area Appraisal Resopnse**

The attached response was agreed.

**13. Sedbergh War Memorial**

It was agreed that the Council would make an application for listing on the suggestion of the History Society. The possible inclusion of the War Memorial at Cautley is to be investigated.

**14. Local Area Partnership**

A verbal report of the meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> Feb 2010 was made by the Chairman which was broadly favourable. The attached minutes and action plan were submitted to members for information

**15. Queens Gardens**

- a) It was agreed to defer a request to site bat boxes in the garden in case this should hinder any future restoration.
- b) A paper from the Gardner, Mike Hinson giving ideas for the improvement of the garden, was presented to the meeting. It was agreed that the Queens Garden Committee should meet with him to discuss further and cost any plans they wish to recommend to the Council.

**16. Correspondence**

The attached list of correspondence was presented to the meeting.

**17. Date and Time of next meeting**

7.30 p.m. on Thursday 25th March 2010 at the People's Hall