

Minutes of the Meeting held Monday 12th May 2009
at the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness at 7pm

Present Councillors E Young, M McLeavy, W Maddox, B Doughty, D O'Connor, C Walmsley, J Millar and A Bowe

1. Apologies Councillors A Thurlow and W Bleasdale
2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting It was resolved that the minutes be signed as a true record
3. Declarations of Interest Cllr Millar declared an interest in all planning applications as a substitute member of the Borough Council planning committee a conflict of interest therefore arose and also in Finance item f.
4. Police There was no representation from the Police at this meeting
5. Reports from District/County Councillors There were no reports
6. Matters Arising
 - (a) George Romney School – request for sports sponsorship
The Town Clerk reported that an amount had been included in the 2009/10 budget for sponsorship of the football coaching events for girls should Councillors agree funding. Following discussion Councillors agreed that funding of £100 be agreed for the coaching.
7. Correspondence
 - a) Calc Circular May 2009
 - b) Equality and Human Rights Commission – It was agreed that this would be included as a specific agenda item at the next meeting.
 - c) Cumbria Playing Fields Association
 - d) Animal Aid – Compassionate Charter
Councillors noted all correspondence
8. Funding and Partnership with BAE Councillor McLeavy reported that he had had a meeting with BAE regarding the calendar this week and official photographers would be attending various events throughout the year to get images that could be used in the calendar
George Romney Pennies Funding for the George Romney Pennies had not progressed yet as funding for the 2009/10 year had not yet been agreed.
9. Charter Celebrations A timetable of events had now been drawn up and was available for Councillors. Volunteers were required for the URC between 2pm and 4pm for tea and coffee, sell mugs and books and man the photo exhibition.

Charter Celebrations continued

Accommodation for the Town Criers attending the event on Monday 25 May had now been located at the Infield Hotel at a cost of £50 per room/couple. The presentation evening would be held in the Wellington and pie and peas had been arranged at a cost of £3 per head. Lunch for the Town Criers, Councillors and first aiders would be provided in the Town Hall from 1pm.

Ale Taster – the Cavendish had now closed and had therefore forfeited the Ale Tasters Award. The first place was now being awarded to the Railway and runner up to the Masons.

Mugs Councillor Young had now priced the commemorative mugs, cost price for the mugs would be £810 and £180 for the separate transfers. It was resolved that the mugs be purchased at the above costs. It was planned to sell the mugs with Town Crest at £3.50 and the commemorative mugs marking the Town Criers Competition at £4. Each Town Crier attending would be presented with one as a memento along with the 1st aiders. All spare mugs would be sold to the public.

10. Dalton Development Partnership Cllr Doughty gave a brief verbal report on the recent DDP Meeting reporting on the Dowdales presentation regarding the proposed theatre located at Dowdales. Following discussion it was agreed that Dowdales be contacted and invited to make their presentation to Councillors. There was also concern at the lack of organization of DDP meetings resulting in a chaotic and sporadic attendance by members through no fault of their own.
- 11 Commemorative Meal for Past Mayors Costings had now been received for the manufacture of medals to be presented to past mayors. The initial die would cost £413.00 and individual badges would cost £129.10 each to manufacture. Following discussion it was resolved that 5 medals be purchased for presentation.
- 12 Dalton in Bloom Councillors resolved a letter be sent to the Borough regarding the weeds throughout the Town and in particular weeds around Market Place. Maintenance of the cobbles was also needed with many now being loose. Cllr Millar is to follow the maintenance issue with the Borough Council. The standard of the floral displays is also very poor although this subject has already been addressed by the Town Clerk. This year a lower percentage of marks will be issued to floral displays as the focus will in future be on renewables/environment etc. It was agreed that the local schools would be involved this year. It was also agreed that the judges from Cumbria in Bloom be taken to the quarry allotments. Councillor Young suggested that the categories for awards be amended this year to courtyard and small gardens, medium to large gardens, business with garden area and tubs and baskets only. Following discussion it was **resolved** that the categories be changed.

13. Public Relations

It was agreed that Public Relations this month would focus on the Town Criers Competition, Dalton in Bloom and the Charter Events.

14. Finance

(a)	Ward Contracting – Repair to Heating System	£595.75
(b)	Furness Newspapers (annual report print and distribution)	£1679.66
(c)	Dowdales School (sports coaching in conjunction with Police)	£348.00
(d)	Viking Direct	£178.03
(e)	FTS Fires Extinguishers	£86.11
(f)	K Hardman (maintenance and repainting of fingerposts)	£210.00
(g)	United Utilities Water	£20.77
(h)	A Reid Window Cleaner	£39.00

It was resolved that the invoices be paid. The Town Clerk is to look in to arranging an annual maintenance contract for the heating system and report back to Council

15 Reports There was no Mayors Report this month.

Meeting Closed 8.21pm

Planning Meeting

Meeting Opened 8.23pm

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Apologies Councillors W Bleasdale, J Millar and A Thurlow

B18/2009/0533 92 Market Street, Dalton in Furness
Demolition of entrance canopy, construction of single storey extension to form entrance lobby and two additional rooms with internal alternations.
Applicant Market Street Surgery
There were No Objections

B27/2009/0426

Vicarage, Market Place, Dalton
Prior notification for the renewal of 26L pole with 13 mere
wooden pole approximately 11 metres above ground and
two metres below ground
Applicant Narrowband Wayleaves Office
There were No Objections

Meeting Closed 8.25pm

Signed.....
(Chairman)

Date.....

H F Thomson
Town Clerk

28 May 2009

