MINUTES of Haxby Town Council Meeting held on Monday 10 February 2014 in the Memorial Hall, Haxby, at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT Cllr M Crawford (Chairman) Cllr M Harrison

Cllr D Harkess Cllr D Lee
Cllr S Newton Cllr Cockburn
Cllr N Wyatt Cllr M Guilford
Cllr R Cousans Cllr H Ridge

Cllr D Rice Mr M W Scott (Clerk)

### APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

 Apologies were received from Cllr M Preston, Cllr Richardson & Cllr D Hunter.

# **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

2. None

#### MINUTES

3. RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2014 be confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

# **MATTERS ARISING**

4. None

### POLICE REPORT

5. The Chairman read out the ward report for January 2014. The report detailed 18 crimes that had taken place in the month and commented that this was 10 more than in the same period last year. It further added that no calls had been received in respect of the Mancroft play area in January. No representatives from the police were present at the meeting.

#### DOUBLE TAXATION

6. The Clerk handed out a copy of a letter from City of York Council detailing the breakdown of the double taxation payment received for 2013/2014. He went on to draw attention to a paragraph stating this payment will be reviewed in the forthcoming year. The implication being that future payment was not guaranteed. As the double taxation payment had been the same for many years the Clerk was asked by the Councillors to prepare a comparison with actual costs.

# **CASH CHECK**

7. Two Councillors had carried out a Financial/Cash Check on 6 February 2014 checking cash held, transfers between bank accounts and online direct payments and had found everything to be in order.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 31 JANUARY 2014

8.

Receipts to 31st January 2014		
T Robert Hardy Nursery Rent		100.00
Haxby Lions Levies		350.00
Photocopying		12.21
Memorial Planning Fee		3657.50
Joint Burial Committee Admin Expenses		147.20
Netball Court Rental		1700.00
	•	5966.91
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Payments Made to 31st January 2014		
Sleightholm Landscapes -Allotment gate	105977	612.00
Petty Cash	105978	38.13
York Window Cleaning Service	105979	59.25
City of York Council (Mem Hall Planning		
Fee)	105980	3657.50
William Birch - Xmas Tree Cherry Picker	105981	144.00
Sleightholm Landscapes -Xmas Tree Fence	105982	108.00
Joint Burial Committee - Grasscutting	TDE	000.00
Allowance	TRF	822.00
Talk Talk	DD	15.31
Matthew Porter w/e 10/01/14	DP	37.00
Matthew Porter w/e 17/01/14	DP	37.00
Matthew Porter w/e 24/01/14	DP	37.00
City of York Council - Salt Bins	105983	300.00
City of York Council - Badges	105984	67.20
North Yorkshire Pension Fund	DP	1206.28
PAYE	DP	953.76
J Bell - Salary	DP	1001.39
Steve Gray - Salary	DP	1023.79
M Scott - Salary	DP	1516.72
Sidney Phillips - Pavilion Report	105985	420.00
Npower	DD	84.00
G Newbould - Town Crier	105986	110.00
A Thompson - Town Crier	105987	180.00
A Jackson - Town Crier	105988	80.00

Vitax Limited - White Lining Haxby Memorial Hall Trust - Rent	105989 105990	291.38 904.00
Haxby Memorial Hall Trust - Electricity	105990	56.00
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	_	13761.71
Statement brought forward (m/e Dec 2013)		121282.09
Receipts	<u>-</u>	5966.91
		127249.00
Payments	<u>-</u>	13761.71
Balance carried forward	_	113487.29

RESOLVED that the financial statement as at 31 January 2014 which detailed payments totalling £13761.71 inclusive of VAT be approved.

### BUDGET OUTTURN FIGURES AT 31 JANUARY 2014

 The Budget Outturn figures as at 31 January 2014 were copied to each Councillor. The Clerk explained that these had been updated with details of projected income/expenditure for the year ending 31 March 2014. These were received.

### **BUILDING LINKS WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES**

10. The Chairman expressed her desire to improve links with local businesses and asked the rest of the Councillors present for ideas on how this could be achieved. Suggestions forthcoming included the erecting of a marquee at annual carnival for businesses to promote their services. It was agreed that a questionnaire should be drawn up and delivered to all businesses in the village. The questionnaire is to ask "How can the Council and local businesses help each other?"

# **HERALDIC LOGO**

11. The initial draft of a design for a 'Heraldic' logo for Haxby was shown to the Councillors. This was accompanied by an explanation of the design. The Councillors then made suggestions as to possible amendments to the design and its content. The Clerk was asked to pass these comments on to the gentleman who had created the design and report back to the Council with alternatives.

#### FREEMAN / FREEWOMAN OF HAXBY

12. Cllr Ridge put forward details of a nominee for the award of the title Honorary Freeman/Freewoman of Haxby.

<u>RESOLVED</u> to award the title Honorary Freeman/Freewoman to the nominated person but that details of the name of the person are to be kept confidential until an appropriate time for the announcement has been decided.

# CITIZENS ADVICE SESSION FOR HAXBY

13. The Clerk explained that Wigginton Parish Council are going to have 2 Citizens Advice Bureau sessions in Wigginton per month irrespective of whether Haxby Town Council wish to contribute to their costs or not. The Council having previously decided that they would prefer to have a session based in Haxby asked the Clerk to arrange for this to be done commencing in April 2014.

<u>RESOLVED</u> to have a Citizens Advice session in Haxby once a month for a trial period of one year at a cost of £2636.

#### TOPICS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE TOWN CRIER

14. The Chairman asked the Councillors for ideas of what articles should be included in the next issue of the Town Crier. Many suggestions were forthcoming which the Chairman recorded in order to help to put together the next issue.

#### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

15. <u>RESOLVED</u> that the Annual Town Meeting will take place on Wednesday 21<sup>th</sup> May 2014 commencing at 7.00pm.

#### COMMUNITY CONVERSATION MEETING

16. The Chairman reported on the recent Community Conversation event, which was held at Ralph Butterfied School on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2014. Those Councillors present who had also attended the meeting gave their feedback as well. The comments made suggested that the event had been good.

# YLCA (YORK BRANCH) MEETING

17. The Chairman reported on the YLCA (York Branch) meeting, which she and the Clerk attended on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2014. The report included details of a presentation given by Julia Mulligan in respect of her role as Police and Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire.

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING CAMPS

18. The Clerk gave details of a Neighbourhood Planning Camp, which will take place on 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> March 2014 in York. Attendance, accommodation and food are provided free of charge and each Town/Parish is allowed to send 2 representatives.

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Clerk is to attend the event on behalf of the Council and any other party wishing to accompany him should let him know as soon as possible.

#### HAXBY FAIR

19. <u>RESOLVED</u> to allow Scott Pullen to bring the fair to Haxby for the period 10-13 April 2014 at a cost £600 plus electricity charges.

# CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

20. The minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2014 were received.

## JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE

21. The minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2014 were received.

#### AMENITIES COMMITTEE

22. The minutes of the meeting held on 20 January 2014 were received.

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

23. The minutes of the meeting held on 3 February 2014 were received.

### MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

24. None

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

	Chairman
(These Minutes are displayed 'un	signed' and are subject to correction at
the next Council meeting.)	-