

## FILEY TOWN COUNCIL

### SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD 27 JANUARY 2016

AT 7.00pm

Present : Councillor John Shackleton (Chairman) and Councillors Susan Bosomworth, Mike Cockerill, John Haxby, Jacqui Houlden-Banks, Richard Walker and Kevin Wilkie.

Also present : Mrs Gina Robinson Town Clerk and Mrs Maureen Prentice Deputy Town Clerk plus 1 member of the public.

Cllr Shackleton reminded everyone present of the emergency evacuation procedure in the event of an emergency taking place. He went on to state that the filming and recording of the meeting was taking place and enquired whether anyone did not wish to be filmed, he went on to enquire whether anyone else wished to record or film the meeting and no response was made.

#### NOTICE OF MEETING

**RESOLVED : That Public Notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with Schedule 12, para 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972. 086/016**

#### APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Cllrs John Casey (attending a RHS Britain in Bloom seminar), Diane Glanvill (holiday), Robert Horley (personal) Jeff Meek (personal), Anna Shaw (holiday), Marion Wright (ill health), Boro Cllr Colin Haddington (personal) and Cty/Boro Cllr Sam Cross (personal) it was :

**RESOLVED : That the above apologies be duly noted and accepted. 087/016**

#### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman reminded members of the need to consider whether they needed to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) or personal interest, as detailed in Appendix A and Appendix B of the Town Council's Code of Conduct.

*Cllr S Bosomworth declared a personal interest in 8(d) Grant Applications as she was the Vice-Chairman of the Filey & District Safety Committee.*

*Cllr S Bosomworth declared a personal interest in 8(d) Grant Applications as her daughter was the Secretary of the Festival of Filey Committee.*

*Cllr J Haxby declared a personal interest in any items referring to the Town Council's Independent Financial Advisor due to him being his own personal financial advisor.*

**RESOLVED : That the above personal declarations of interests be duly noted. 088/016**

#### PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The member of the public queried who had called the meeting and was informed by the Clerk that she had called the meeting as it was a Special Meeting of the Town Council which was necessary as decisions on financial matters such as the budget and precept etc had to be resolved due to short deadlines which needed to be submitted to the Borough Council for the precept demand before the next full meeting of the Town Council.

**RESOLVED : That the above information be noted. 089/016**

#### TO RECEIVE ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES WHICH REQUIRE FURTHER CONSIDERATION

##### Min 030/016 New Onshore Oil & Gas Exploration Licence

The Clerk had received further verbal information from a representative of Cuadrilla who had advised her that whilst Cuadrilla had been offered licences for onshore Oil & Gas Exploration they had not formally accepted any of the licences as yet and any formal acceptance of licences was not due to take place until April 2016 and they may possibly only accept some of them. Following this they would undertake desktop studies over the next twelve months prior to any plans being submitted to the planning authority which would be the North Yorkshire County Council.

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### Min 030/016 New Onshore Oil & Gas Exploration Licence (cont)

Cuadrilla were more than willing to meet with members of the Town Council in the interim for an informal briefing session and once they formally accept the licences then they would attend a Council meeting. The representative of Cuadrilla stated that they would undertake a range of consultations with members of the public in all the areas for which licences had been accepted.

Members were informed that the Borough Council were also in contact with Cuadrilla and any meeting with them would be notified to Town and Parish Councils in the Borough for their representatives to attend.

Members considered that an informal briefing session should be held with Cuadrilla and it would also be useful to have a similar meeting with representatives of various Groups such as Wolds Against Fracking/Ryedale Against Fracking/Frack Free Filey and perhaps one of the Regulators and contact should be made with the MP's Office Manager to enquire which of the Regulators he would suggest. This was followed by a general discussion and in order to gain information it was :

**RESOLVED : That an Informal Briefing Session be held with representatives of Cuadrilla for members of the Town Council.** 090/016

**RESOLVED : That a similar Informal Briefing Session be held with representatives of the above mentioned Groups and possibly a Regulator for members of the Town Council.** 091/016

*Standing Orders were suspended at this point to permit the member of the public to speak*

The member of the public considered that the Town Council may be open to criticism if it gave an advantage to Cuadrilla as there should be equitable treatment to all parties.

*Standing Orders were re-instated at this point*

## **NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

### Report from County Councillor

**RESOLVED : It be noted no reports had been submitted.** 092/016

## **SCARBOROUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### Report from Borough Councillors

Boro Cllr Cockerill commented that the proposed £5000 payment from the Borough Council in respect of the Filey Town Bus Service was included in the Scarborough Borough Council's budget figures which would be considered by the members in due course.

**RESOLVED : That this verbal information be duly noted.** 093/016

## **MINUTES**

### Ordinary Council held 13 January 2016

**RESOLVED : That the Minutes of the above meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings thereat and Minutes 001/016 to 039/016 inclusive be accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary.** 094/016

### Property Committee held 14 January 2016

**RESOLVED : That the Minutes of the above meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings thereat with Minutes 040/016 to 043/016 inclusive being accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary.** 095/016

### Planning Committee 18 January 2016

**RESOLVED : That the Minutes of the above meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings thereat with Minutes 044/016 to 049/016 inclusive being accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary.** 096/016

**MINUTES** (cont)

Finance & General Purposes Committee 20 January 2016

**RESOLVED : That the Minutes of the above meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings thereat.**

**097/016**

Cllr Cockerill requested that all the grant application Minutes (F055/016 – F069/016) be taken en bloc but was informed that it had been a previous decision of the Town Council that these should be taken individually as members may not agree with the decision of the Finance & General Purposes Committee and amendments would need to be made. Cllr Cockerill accepted this explanation.

The following members declared their personal interest(s) in the following Minutes and took no part in the discussions or voting thereon when each recommendation was read out individually to members by the Chairman:

*Cllr Bosomworth – Min F056/016 (grants) declared a personal interest as she was Vice-Chair of Filey Safety Committee and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.*

*Cllr Bosomworth – Min F059/016 (grants) declared a personal interest as daughter was Secretary of Festival of Filey.*

*Cllr Walker - in Min F064/016 (grants) declared a personal interest as his wife was a member of Filey Ladies Monday Club.*

*Cllr Cockerill – in Min F067/016 (grants) declared a personal interest as he had been working with the Filey Sailing Club regarding the club's lease renewal in his capacity as a Borough Councillor and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.*

*Cllr Cockerill - in Min F069/016 (grants) declared a personal interest as his wife was a member of the Friends of Filey Library.*

*Cllr Cockerill – Min F077/016 (Beach Launching Attendant) declared a personal interest in his capacity as a Borough Councillor and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.*

*Cllr Cockerill – in Min F080/016 (Queen Street Garden) declared a personal interest in his capacity as a Borough Councillor as this work was to be undertaken by the Scarborough Borough Council and took no part in discussion or the voting thereon.*

**RESOLVED : After due consideration of the recommendations made in respect of Minute Nos. F5053/016, F055/016-F069/016, F074/016-F077/016, F079/016, F080/016, F083/016-F085/016 inclusive that Minutes F050/016 to F085/016 be accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary.**

**098/016**

Cllr Haxby commented on Min. F078/016 in respect of the possible donation from the Borough Council towards the Filey Town Bus Service for one year only, as this proposal to include this donation in the Borough Councils draft budget had been made by the Corporate Finance Strategy Group, an Advisory Body. Cllr Cockerill stated that the budget would be placed before members at the full Borough Council meeting on 26 February 2016.

Cllr Haxby also commented on Min F080/016 in respect of drainage work to be undertaken on the Queen Street Garden as he had noted in the press that some work being undertaken by the Borough Council on behalf of Groundworks would not carry a charge. Cllr Cockerill stated that this should be queried with SBC Officer Mr Chris Bourne.

With regard to Min. F085/016, Cllr Cockerill asked if the funding for the proposed drainage for the Lawns Cemetery was included in the draft budget and was informed by the Clerk that this funding was included in the Model Agreement.

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**REQUESTS TO OBTAIN OR PRESENT INFORMATION**  
**RESOLVED : It be noted that no requests were made.**

**099/016**

*Under Section 17 of the Crime & Disorder Act 1998 members considered that none of the above decisions would impact on crime and disorder*

*The meeting closed at 8.10pm*

Councillor John Shackleton  
Chairman & Town Mayor