



## KEIGHLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council meeting of the Keighley Town Council held at Keighley Town Hall, Keighley, BD21 3PA on Thursday 25 November 2021, 6:30pm.

### Present:

Cllr J. Adams – Town Mayor	Cllr M. Dowse	Cllr M. Westerman
Cllr L. Maunsell – Deputy Town Mayor	Cllr C. Herd	Cllr M. Wood
Cllr C. Abberton	Cllr J. Kirby	
Cllr A. Ahmed	Cllr. A. Walker	
Cllr. E. Bernardini	Cllr M. Ikram	
Cllr. J. Akhtar	Cllr P. Cook	
Cllr. A Clark	Cllr. K. Hussain	
Cllr P. Corkindale	Cllr A. Shohid	
Cllr M. Curtis	Cllr M. Walker	

### Also Present:

Joe Cooney, Town Clerk  
Pip Gibson, Assistant Town Clerk  
Peter Clarke, RFO  
Brian Morris, Contracts and IT Officer  
Sarah Kissack, Admin and Events Officer  
Inspector John Barker  
Cllr Russell Brown

### 071/2021 (TC) Welcome & Fire Arrangements

The Town Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded those present of the arrangements should the fire alarm sound.

### 072/2021 (TC) Apologies

**RESOLVED:** The following apologies be accepted from Cllrs Anayat, Cooper, Graham, Nazam, M.Shaw, Wrench, Zubair.

### 073/2021 (TC) Declarations of Interest

**RESOLVED:** There were no declarations of interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and the relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 from Members or Officers.

### 074/2021 (TC) Public Question Time

None.

### **075/2021 (TC) Town Mayor**

- i) To receive details of all the invitations that the Mayor has accepted:
- ii) Saturday 9 October – Green Space Awareness Day in the Airedale Centre
- iii) Saturday 9 October – Bingley Camera Club exhibition at Cliffe Castle
- iv) Saturday 30 October – Spooktacular
- v) Thursday 11 November – Remembrance Day short service in Town Hall Square
- vi) Sunday 14 November – Remembrance Sunday
- vii) Thursday 18 November – Sue Belcher Centre to oversee the health clinic
- viii) Friday 19 November – Launch of Mobile Cancer Unit – Airedale Hospital

### **076/2021 (TC) Minutes**

**RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 4 November 2021 be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings and signed by the Chair with the following amendment: that Cllr M Walker had given his apologies for the meeting.

### **077/2021 (TC) Reports from District Councillors and Invited Guests**

Report from District Councillors

Cllr Russell Brown spoke about Planning and the Green Space and various grants which are available via the Area Office at BMDC. Cllr Chris Herd spoke about new road surfacing at Penistone Hill, off-road ASB and the Lion's Santa Sleigh.

Report from other invited guests

Insp. John Barker gave a general update on crime statistics and Operation Steerside and the effects of Town Council financial support.

### **078/2021 (TC) Committee Minutes**

- i) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Watch and Transport Committee held 6 September 2021 be confirmed as a true record.
- ii) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Watch and Transport Committee held on 11 October 2021 be confirmed as a true record.
- iii) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Policies and Governance Committee held on 7 September 2021 be confirmed as a true record.
- iv) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Policies and Governance Committee held on 5 October 2021 be confirmed as a true record.
- v) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 14 September 2021 be confirmed as a true record.
- vi) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 28 September 2021 be confirmed as a true record.
- vii) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 12 October 2021 be confirmed as a true record.

viii) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 26 October 2021 be confirmed as a true record.

ix) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Finance and Audit Committee held on 20 September 2021 be confirmed as a true record.

x) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Events and Leisure Committee held on 9 September 2021 be confirmed as a true record.

xi) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Civic Centre and Strategy Committee held on 14 July 2021 be confirmed as a true record.

xii) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Allotments and Landscapes Committee held on 13 September 2021 be confirmed as a true record.

xiii) **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Community Development Committee held on 7 July 2021 be confirmed as a true record.

#### **079/2021 (TC) Committee Vacancies**

i) Planning Committee – 1 Vacancy No nominations received.

**RESOLVED** to defer to next meeting

ii) Human Resources – 1 Vacancy Cllr Kamal Hussain nominated by Cllr Westerman, seconded by Cllr Shohid. No other nominations received.

**RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Kamal Hussain

iii) Events & Leisure – 1 Vacancy Cllr Martyn Wood nominated by Cllr Westerman, seconded by Cllr Kirby. No other nominations received.

**RESOLVED** to elect Cllr M Wood

iv) Allotments & Landscape – No nominations received.

**RESOLVED** to defer to next meeting

v) Complaints Committee - 1 Vacancy. Cllr Amjid Ahmed nominated by Cllr A Ahmed, seconded by Cllr J Akhtar. No other nominations received.

**RESOLVED** to elect Cllr A Ahmed

#### **080/2021 (TC) Governance Review**

**RESOLVED** Council accepts the recommendation from the Policies & Governance to request Bradford MDC undertake a Community Governance Review based on the existing parish boundary.

**RESOLVED** Council notes that the Policies & Governance Committee has established a working group to consider potential changes to the number of, and the size of current town council wards.

**RESOLVED** Council notes the working group membership consists of Cllrs Corkindale, Curtis, M Walker, Westerman plus the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor.

**RESOLVED** Council notes the working group will report to and make recommendations to the Policies & Governance committee.

**RESOLVED** Council notes the Policies & Governance committee will make recommendations to Council for final approval before submitting any proposals as part of the Community Governance review.

#### **081/2021 (TC) Complaints Panel**

Members received the outcome of stage 2 complaints recently considered by the Complaints Panel by Cllr Westerman.

**RESOLVED** Members noted the report.

#### **082/2021 (TC) Climate Change Champion**

Members considered the request from the Allotments & Landscapes Committee that Cllr Corkindale be appointed the Council's Climate Change Champion.

Councillors asked that the appointment be opened up to all Councillors.

Cllr Kirby nominated Cllr Corkindale, Cllr A Walker seconded.  
Cllr J Akhtar nominated Cllr Maunsell. Cllr Akhtar withdrew the nomination.

Cllr Kirby nominated Cllr Corkindale, Cllr A Walker seconded.

**RESOLVED** Members approve the appointment of Cllr P Corkindale as the Climate Change Champion for the Council.

#### **083/2021 (TC) External Bodies Report**

**NOTED** members received general updates from members appointed to external bodies:

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Oakworth Village Society	Cllr Curtis
Town Deal Board	Cllr Peter Corkindale
YLCA	Cllr Mick Westerman
Bronte Country Partnership	Cllr Chris Herd
Bradford District Local Council's Liaison Group	Cllr Julie Adams
Keighley Child Exploitation Steering Group	Cllr Mick Westerman

#### **084/2021 (TC) Councillor Engagement in Council activities**

Madam Mayor, Cllr J Adams requested that Councillors support Council activities and engagements.

#### **085/2021 (TC) Notices of Motion**

##### **Operation Steerside**

Proposed by Cllr Westerman, seconded by Cllr Kirby.

Operation Steerside is dedicated to taking positive action against anyone whose driving falls below the required standard. The team at West Yorkshire also aims to educate drivers as to the effect their driving has on their communities across Keighley.

Previously the Town Council has supported West Yorkshire Police with funding to have a dedicated Steerside Officer in Keighley for a up to 1 day per week.

Council notes the budget setting process for 2022/23 is currently underway and any decision relating to budget provisions will be considered by Council in January 2022. Council reaffirms its support for Operation Steerside as a means to reduce anti-social driving across Keighley.

Council further notes, the speeding action plan recently developed by the Watch & Transport Committee that details how the town council can contribute to reducing the speeding vehicles.

**Therefore, council resolves the following:**

**RESOLVED** To request the Budget Working Group and the Finance & Audit Committee consider including £10,000 in the 2022/23 budget to contribute towards Operation Steerside within the Keighley parish boundaries.

**RESOLVED** A copy of this motion be shared with members of the Budget Working Group and Finance & Audit Committee.

**Operation Steerside – Amendment Proposed by Cllr Maunsell, seconded by Cllr Curtis.**

**RESOLVED** Delete the current motion and replace with the following:

Keighley Town Council:

- Requests that the Town Clerk provides information concerning Operation Steerside to either the upcoming Budget Working Group meeting or the next meeting of the Finance and Audit committee for members to discuss.
- Requests that this information includes: the background of the operation, the past commitments of the Council to it and the current standing of the operation.
- That the Town Clerk also seeks to contact the Police in respect to Operation Steerside and get their views on the possibility of the Council supporting their work.
- That the Town Clerk also provides information relating to the consequences, good and bad, (especially in relation to the precept rate) of Keighley Town Council backing the operation.

**RESOLVED** to accept the motion but with the amendment from Cllr Maunsell.

#### **086/2021 (TC) Date and time of next meeting**

**RESOLVED** that the next meeting will be held on Thursday 20 January 2021 6.30pm.

**Signed** ..... **Date** .....  
Chair