



# Featherstone Town Council

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*Regenerating Supporting & Caring for our Community*

9<sup>th</sup> January 2014

Dear Councillor

## **TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

You are summoned to an ORDINARY MEETING of FEATHERSTONE TOWN COUNCIL to be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, OLD TOWN HALL, FEATHERSTONE on **WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> January 2014** commencing at **7.00 pm**.

*Sue Crouch*  
TOWN CLERK

## **Moment of Reflection**

### **AGENDA**

**1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES RECEIVED**

Councillor D Herrington.

**2. PRESENTATION OF CIVIC AWARDS TO MISS SARAH SHUTT AND MR GARY HOPE**

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The meeting is to be opened for members of the public to address the Council on matters relevant to its business.

**4. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**5. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

To consider, if thought fit, a resolution under the terms of the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960 that the press and public be excluded from item 17 Recruitment Panel which may be of a confidential nature of the business being transacted.

**6. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Town Clerk Ms Sue Crouch MILCM*



## **7. LEADER OF THE TOWN COUNCIL'S REPORT**

### **8. MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

To receive the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at 7pm. Minute numbers 236/13 to 241/13.

### **9. MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE & CULTURE COMMITTEE**

To receive the minutes of the Heritage & Culture Committee held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at 6pm. Minute number 242/13 to 249/13.

### **10. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

To receive the minutes of the Council meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at 7pm. Minute numbers 250/13 to 265/13.

### **11. PLANNING AND LICENSING MATTERS**

- a) WMDC Planning Applications and Decisions – Please see file for details
- b) HS2 ENGINE FOR GROWTH – Consultation ends 31<sup>st</sup> January 2014
- c) Stopping up of Highway at 11 Ackton Lane.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Members views are requested.

### **12. WDH LICENCE FOR NOTICE BOARD**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approval and signature needed for the licence for one notice board on the land adjacent to Greenside, Featherstone.

### **13. WAKEFIELD LOCALISATION OF COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT**

Please see copies of 2 letters attached with information on Council Tax Support and its implication to the District.

Please also see the Appendix D Precept Total for Featherstone and its impact on Council Tax Bills which shows a -£0.28p reduction for Band D property representing a -1.07% decrease for bills 2014/15.

### **14. FINANCE REPORTS**

- a) List of Accounts totalling £10,486.21 plus any other payments received before the meeting.
- b) Income received report from 28<sup>th</sup> November to 7<sup>th</sup> January 2014 totalling £618.39.

**RECOMMENDATION:** To approve payments and income.

### **15. WAKEFIELD COUNCIL NEW PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING FOR EVENTS**

Please see attached letter from Wakefield with details to the changes to applications for events such as the Gala at Purston Park.

### **16. REPORTS, IF ANY, FROM MEMBERS ATTENDING MEETINGS OF THE FOLLOWING ORGANISATIONS:**

- a) Featherstone Regeneration Steering Group
- b) Town & Parish Council Liaison Group – next meeting Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2014
- c) National Coal Mining Museum

(Members of these outside organisations have the opportunity to report on any relevant matters arising from meetings of such organisations).



#### 17. EMAIL ADDRESS

The email address [featherstonetc@btconnect.com](mailto:featherstonetc@btconnect.com) has now been deleted.

#### 18. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Nov 2013	Wakefield Metropolitan	Civic Carol Service at Wakefield Cathedral 18 <sup>th</sup> December
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Normanton Town Council	Normanton Town Council, Churches Together and Normanton Lions Club Annual Christmas Celebration.
	Various Christmas Cards	
23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Methodist Church	Letter to thank the Council for the donation for refreshments at the Christmas events.
1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2014	Historic Towns	Reports and Newsletter

#### 19. RECRUITMENT PANEL

Further to Minute 196/13 for the Employment of Administration Staff the interviews will take place on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

**RECOMMENDATION:** A full report will be given at the meeting.

#### 20. CLOSURE