



Featherstone Town Council

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Regenerating Supporting & Caring for our Community

6th October 2015

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 14th OCTOBER 2015** commencing at **7.00 pm**.

Sue Coles
TOWN CLERK

Moment of Reflection by Rev J Grosu

AGENDA

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES RECEIVED

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting is to be opened for members of the public to address the Council on matters relevant to its business. However residents cannot take part in the main proceedings of the meeting, this is strictly limited to Councillors.

3. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

4. 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 items which may be of a confidential nature of the business being transacted.

5. NATIONAL COAL MINING MUSEUM

Mr Phil Needham and Ms Jayne Ambrose will be in attendance to inform Members about a creative project involving two Featherstone Schools, Wakefield Music Hub and the English Folk Dance and Song Society.

6. LEADER OF THE TOWN COUNCIL'S REPORT

7. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

To receive the minutes of the Council meeting held on the 9th September at 7.00 pm.
Minute numbers 150/15 to 171/15.

Town Clerk Ms Sue Coles MILCM



8. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS AS FOLLOWS:

- a) To receive the minutes of the Administration & Finance Committee dated 9th September.

9. QUESTIONS MAY BE PUT TO THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

10. MIN125/15 SERVICE DIRECTOR, PLANNING TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS

An acknowledgement to the Town Clerk's letter has been received by WMDC and if there is any further information this will be given to the meeting.

11. SOUTH EAST LINK ROAD ACTION GROUP

Please see attached letter from Mr D Waites Chair of the south East Link Road Action Group concerning the campaign for a bypass at Ackworth.

12. PLANNING AND LICENSING MATTERS

- a) WMDC Planning Applications and Decisions – Please see file for details
- b) Application at Park Lodge Farm, Park Lane, Pontefract. 15/01875/FUL for emergency standby electricity generation facility comprising: modern modular diesel generator units (up to 50 in total)
- c) Application at New Road, Featherstone, Pontefract. 15/02078/FUL for the construction and operation of a 20MW embedded Short Term Operating Reserve and Peak Power (STOR) generating plant and auxiliary equipment and access.
- d) Email from Messrs D & L Goulding concerning the closure of Yorkshire Bank and the resulting rundown building and others in Station Lane which are no longer in use and derelict. They ask whether any plans had been made for the shops and whether they are just going to be left.
- e) Ackworth Neighbourhood Area Application; please see attached and note the date of closure for objections being 5pm on the date of this meeting.
- f) Any other planning matters received after the date of this agenda.

13. CHRISTMAS TREE PROVISION

The Leader's Group is to meet with a representative from Plantscape with view to considering the hire of hanging basket Christmas trees over the festive period. A report will be made to the Council meeting with a **RECOMMENDATION**.

14. ANNUAL RETURN FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2015.

The Annual Return has been signed by PKF Littlejohn LLP and no matters have been raised for the Council's attention.

15. MILL POND MEADOWS COMMEMORATIVE PROJECT PUBLIC ART STAKEHOLDER GROUP

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 7th October will be presented to the meeting.

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

- a) Town & Parish Council Liaison Group-Meeting – no meeting
- b) National Coal Mining Museum – Councillor C Tennant

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



17. REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE AND SERVICE 2015

Please see letter of invitation and itinerary from The Royal British Legion for the service which takes place on Sunday 8th November 2015.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

| Date | FROM | COMMENTS |
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| 25 th Sept | Home Start AGM. Letter of thanks to the Mayor for her attendance. | |
| Sept | Newsletter from Carers Wakefield | |
| Oct | Newsletter from Mark Burns-Williamson West Yorkshire's Police and Crime Commissioner. | |
| Any other correspondence received | | |

18. Urgent matters for information only

Closure and date of the next meetings of the Council.

Events Committee will be held on Wednesday 11th November at 6pm followed by the Council meeting at 7pm.

Grants Sub-Committee on Thursday 12th November at 10.45am (if any grant applications are received).

Admin & Finance Committee Thursday 12th November at 11am.