

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PADIHAM TOWN COUNCIL

**held at the Padiham Town Hall on
6th September 2010 at 7.00pm**

1. **PRESENT:** The Mayor, Councillor J. Cunningham (in the Chair)
Town Councillors, J.A. Cave, R.M. Clark, A. Fletcher, J. Harbour,
K. Hudson, A.M. Jkinson, J. Kenyon, V.A. Pridden and A..J. Tatchell

ALSO PRESENT : County Councillor S. Wilkinson, Borough Councillor F. Cant, 1
Member of the Public and 2 members of the Press.

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Town Councillors S.G. Morley, A. Ravenscroft,
C. Smith and M. Whittaker
3. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – the Town Clerk reported that no requests to speak had been received.
4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None other than Cllr. J. Cunningham in respect of Planning Applications.
5. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING** held on 2nd August 2010 were PROPOSED by Cllr. R.M. Clark SECONDED by Cllr. V.A. Pridden and AGREED UNANIMOUSLY
6. **MATTERS ARISING AND UPDATED INFORMATION**
- a) **Standing Orders** – the Town Clerk circulated new copies. Cllr. Jkinson requested that these be marked as ‘Revised’ with the date of the revision. The Town Clerk will organise this.
7. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE** held on 19th July 2010 were PROPOSED by Cllr.A.J. Tatchell and SECONDED by Cllr. K. Hudson AGREED UNANIMOUSLY
8. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP** held on 19th July 2010 were PROPOSED by Cllr. V.A. Pridden, SECONDED by Cllr. S.G. Morley and AGREED UNANIMOUSLY
9. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Town Clerk reported on the following correspondence:

- a) **Connecting Communities: June/July Update** – circulated

- b) **Friends of Memorial Park – DOG DAY:** Request for funding. The Town Clerk will ascertain the costs of the event in readiness for the Working Group Meeting on 20th September 2010.
- c) **Your Lancashire County Councillors** – Details and contact information available
- d) **Ribble Valley Borough Council** – Consultation on Core Strategy – details available from the Town Clerk
- e) **Operation Pear Drop** – A road policing operation in conjunction with the Fire Brigade

10. REPORTS

- a) **POLICE** – No representative of the Police was in attendance and no Report provided
- b) **BALLROOM MANAGEMENT GROUP** – Cllr. Jinkinson reported that Contracts were now in place in respect of Colin Croft and Tom Large and copies will be made available at the Working Group Meeting on 20th September. A number of operational matters remained to be resolved and will be discussed at the next Ballroom Management Group Meeting – date to be fixed.
The Town Clerk distributed a Balance Sheet in respect of the Ballroom but stressed that it was for information only and not discussion.
A meeting is being arranged with Gerard Vintin to discuss the ongoing situation with regard to the Concert Hall.
- c) **MAYOR/MAYORESS' FUNDRAISING** – Cllr. Cunningham reported in relation to the current fundraising and in particular the 'Party in the Park' when an amount of £426.25 had been raised.
The next event will be the 'Joint Mayoral At Home' on 21st September 2010.
- d) **EVENTS COMMITTEE** – Cllr. Tatchell reported briefly following the successful 'Party in the Park' and thanked everyone for their involvement and in particular Cllr. Pridden and the Town Clerk. Cllr. Pridden also expressed his thanks to the Town Clerk, Lorna Tatchell and Gillian Pridden and in particular to the people of Padiham for supporting the event.
The Town Clerk had already sent a letter of thanks to Parks Services and in particular John Cunliffe. It was recommended that an early decision be made in relation to a date 2011.
A Meeting of the Events Committee will be arranged since Padiham Town Council is now organising several annual events.
- e) **Recycling Centre, Park Road, Padiham** – It was reported that site workers have been informed of the closure date – 30th September. Following considerable discussion it was AGREED UNANIMOUSLY that the Town Clerk send a letter to each of the on-site staff thanking them for their commitment.
Cllr. Whittaker's attendance at the Council Meeting of Burnley Borough Council was reported and complimented on her passionate plea. Support from the Borough Council and MP remained unforthcoming. The Town Council cannot make a direct submission to the Ombudsman and it was AGREED UNANIMOUSLY that further approaches be made to Gordon Birtwistle MP and Nigel Evans MP. In addition the Town Clerk is making arrangements with individuals to make complaints direct to the Ombudsman.
The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that Borough Cllr. Bill Brindle and Trish Dean of Street Scene will attend the Working Group Meeting on 20th September.

11. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

The Town Clerk circulated up to date information relating to the Town Council's Budget. It was stressed that this was for 'Information only' and would be discussed by the Committee at its meeting on 27th September 2010.

12. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Town Clerk reported details of the following applications in respect of which Councillors AGREED not to make any comments or observations:

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| 61 – 63 Church Street, Padiham | Proposed erection of a single storey rear extension to create an additional dental surgery |
| 17 Arbory Drive, Padiham | Works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order. Crown thinning and removal of dead and unsafe branches to 4 trees. |

13. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

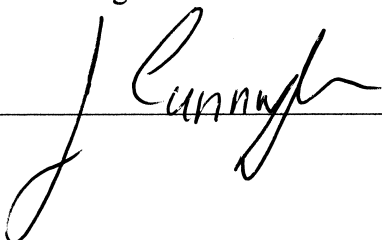
PRS Ltd – Concert Hall	614.37
Nu-age Productions	45.00
General expenses	175.00

14. MATTERS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

Archive Exhibition – 2nd/3rd October – Extension to following week for 2011
Removal of additional trees at Shuttleworth College – Plantation
Usage of Town Clerk's Office – Working Group

15. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 4th October 2010 at 7.00pm

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.30pm

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