



**Minutes of Maltby Town Council Virtual Meeting**  
**Held on Thursday 4 March 2021**

	<p><b>Present:</b> Councillors: S Biggin (Chair), C Beaumont, C Beresford, J Bradford, J Carratt, A Dickinson, A Fletcher, J Kirk, M Richardson, A Rushforth, K Stringer, A Tinsley,</p> <p><b>In attendance:</b> K Butler Town Clerk, 4 members of the public (for part of the meeting)</p>
2020/156	<p><u>APOLOGIES AND REASON FOR ABSENCE</u></p> <p>Apologies and reason for absence were received from Councillors Andrews, Heaps, Sutton &amp; Toalster.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that apologies and reason for absence from Councillors Andrews, Heaps, Sutton &amp; Toalster be accepted.</p>
2020/157	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST</u></p> <p>None</p>
2020/158	<p><u>ITEMS FOR WHERE A RESOLUTION MAY BE PASSED TO EXCLUDE PRESS AND PUBLIC</u></p> <p>None</p>
2020/159	<p><u>PUBLIC SESSION</u></p> <p>A questions had been submitted by a resident:  <i>With Wickersley getting a spring clean, can the council answer why Wickersley and other places get flowers paid for by council tax and why does Matlby have to pay for flowers itself despite paying the same council tax?</i></p> <p>The clerk advised that the office had emailed all Parish Councils in Rotherham to ascertain if they pay for their own floral displays or if they are provided by RMBC, Aston-cum-Aughton, Anston, Bramley, Brinsworth, Dalton, Dinnington, Firbeck, Laughton, Ravenfield, Thrybergh, Thurcroft, Wales, Wickersley and Wales Parish/Town Councils had all replied to advise that they paid themselves for floral displays and received nothing from RMBC. Wickersley Parish Council had advised the Clerk that the Spring Clean was a Wickersley PC initiative and had nothing to do with the Borough.</p>

	<p>With regard to the wild flowers on the central reservation of the A631 running from the M18 Bramley to Whiston crossroads, this was a money saving scheme by the Borough, planting the wild flowers on the grassed area saved money on cutting the central reservation.</p>
2020/160	<p><u>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FULL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4 FEBURARY 2021</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the above minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.</p>
2020/161	<p><u>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 1 FEBURARY 2021</u></p> <p>Item Deferred</p>
2020/162	<p><u>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19 NOVEMBER 2020</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the above minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.</p>
2020/163	<p><u>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 26 NOVEMBER 2020</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the above minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.</p>
2020/164	<p><u>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE &amp; STAFFING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 JANUARY 2021</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the above minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.</p>
2020/165	<p><u>TO RECEIVE COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE CHAIRPERSON</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter from a young resident who informed the Chair of the amount of dog fouling in the town and how he found it disgusting.</li> <li>• Letter from a resident asking that a party/picnic in the park event is held in the summer when restrictions are hopefully lifted for the community.</li> <li>• Letter from Alexander Stafford MP – informing the Council of funding for pocket parks that cannot exceed 0.4 acre – Councillors were asked to email the Clerk with different areas to consider.</li> <li>• The Chair person advised that she had received an email from RMBC requesting her attendance at a workshop for a project called 'Moving in Nature' The project is about exploring use of urban green spaces for physical activity, Cherry Tree Park had been chosen as the park within Maltby.</li> </ul>
2020/167	<p><u>TO RECEIVE A POLICE UPDATE</u></p> <p>No update received.</p>

2020/168	<p><u>TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON ONGOING ISSUES AND AGREE FURTHER ACTION IF NECESSARY:</u></p> <p><b>Coronation Park</b> The Clerk advised that RMBC still hadn't advertised for expressions of interest, therefore, nothing had moved forward.</p> <p><b>HGV's Grange Lane</b> The quarry had advised the Council that drivers had received letters advising them to be sheeted and to not cut through the estate road.</p> <p><b>Defibrillators</b> The Clerk advised that permission had been granted by RMBC to install two defibrillators, one to be installed at Bevan Crescent Community Centre and the other at Ascension Community Centre. She also advised that the garage on Tickhill Road had agreed to have a defibrillator installed outside and the shop on White City had agreed for a defibrillator. The Clerk advised that to be able to provide additional community defibrillators, another defibrillator and two external cases would need to be purchased.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that a defibrillator and 2 external cases are purchased.</p> <p><b>Covid Memorial</b> The Clerk advised that the office had contacted companies regarding a Covid memorial bench being made, it was suggested a resident of Maltby who had made the Miners Memorial benches was contacted.</p> <p><b>Queens Crossroads</b> The Clerk advised that RMBC had given her the wrong information regarding letters being sent to residents and businesses about the changes to the markings around the Queens Crossroads.</p>
2020/169	<p><u>TO DISCUSS THE ACTION PLAN AND AGREE FURTHER ACTION IF NECESSARY</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> that the Action Plan be adopted.</p>
2020/170	<p><u>TO DISCUSS THE HORTICULTURAL SHOW AND AGREE FURTHER ACTION IF NECESSARY</u></p> <p>The Council discussed whether to hold the Horticultural Show as it had in previous years. It was agreed that the Horticultural Show be incorporated in the Party in Park for residents and for event to be discussed and organised by the Events Committee.</p>
2020/171	<p><u>TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON THE SMALL HOLDINGS/ALLOTMENTS BEHIND HIGHFIELD PARK</u></p> <p>The Clerk reiterated that Hargreaves had bought the land off Earl Scarborough, however, even though the land had been redesignated as housing land in RMBC's Local Plan, Hargreaves had advised that in the short term they were considering their options and would keep the Council updated.</p>

2020/172	<p><u>TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE ASBESTOS SURVEY</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the Clerk gains further quotes and brings the information back to the next meeting.</p>
2020/173	<p><u>ITEMS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS</u></p> <p><b>Maltby Academy – Councillor Bradford</b> Councillor Bradford advised that she still had not received a response back from the Academy. The Clerk advised that she had spoken to an RMBC Officer who had been and looked at the state of the wall and had advised her that they would be contacting the Academy and would keep her up to date.</p> <p><b>Maltby Coat of Arms – Councillor Carratt</b> Council Carratt enquired about Maltby’s coat of arms that were previously displayed inside the Edward Dunn Memorial Hall. He asked if one of the coat of arms could be displayed at the Buttercross and the other for Sandbeck House.</p> <p><b>Maltby News – Councillor Tinsley</b> Councillor Tinsley advised that he was the new Maltby News co-ordinator for the Advertiser and that if and when he reports on anything the Town Council are doing he would get the information ‘fact checked’ by the Clerk prior to putting it forward for printing.</p> <p><b>Information/follow up from the Council Surgery – Councillor Tinsley</b> Councillor Tinsley advised that he had attended a walk about with a resident following the Council Surgery who had informed him of areas that were full of litter and detritus. Councillor Tinsley advised that he had phoned the highlighted areas in to the Brough.</p> <p><b>Friends Group for Maltby Parks – Councillor Tinsley</b> Councillor Tinsley suggested promoting the need for a Friends Group for the parks in Maltby, the item was discussed, it was suggested that this be put on hold to see if the Town Council do take over a lease on Coronation Park.</p> <p><b>Grange Lane Development – Councillor Tinsley</b> Councillor Tinsley suggested for a MTC Officer to contact the developers of the Grange Lane development to enable good relationships between both parties.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the Clerk contacts Jones Homes,</p>
2020/174	<p><u>TO CONSIDER THE RESERVES POLICY</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the Reserves Policy be adopted.</p>
2020/175	<p><u>TO CONSIDER THE PROTOCOL ON COUNCILLORS/TOWN CLERK/ EMPLOYEE RELATIONS</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the protocol on Councillors/Town Clerk/Employee Relations be adopted.</p>

2020/176	<p><u>TO CONSIDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the Code of Conduct be adopted until the revised NALC Code of Conduct is sent to Councils then the RMBC and NALC code be brought to Council for a discussion and decision.</p>
2020/177	<p><u>TO CONSIDER THE INVESTMENT POLICY</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the Investment Policy be adopted.</p>
2020/178	<p><u>TO CONSIDER THE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY</u></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the Training and Development Policy be adopted.</p>
2020/179	<p><u>TO CONSIDER RMBC MATTERS:</u></p> <p><u>PLANNING</u></p> <p>Planning submissions were discussed.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the Clerk speaks to the Planning Officer to request an extension on the planning applications for the Lidl and the restaurant on the High Street due to no comments yet made by RMBC Transportation Officers.</p> <p>The Clerk advised that Stainton Quarry had applied to Doncaster Council for Planning Permission to extend the Quarry.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b>: that the Clerk contacts DMBC and requests an extension on the Stainton Quarry application.</p>
2020/180	<p><u>TO CONSIDER AND AGREE GRANT APPLICATIONS, DONATIONS AND FREE LETS</u></p> <p>The Clerk advised that Rotherham Road Allotments had sent in a request, it was agreed that the request would go to the General Purpose Committee for discussion.</p>
2020/181	<p><u>TO CONSIDER ITEMS FROM THE YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION AND DECIDE FURTHER ACTION WHERE NECESSARY</u></p> <p>The Clerk advised that YLCA virtual conference was being held on 21-22 April 2021, 9.30am – 8.15pm, the cost per delegate was £40. Councillors who were interested were asked to contact the Clerk.</p>
2020/182	<p><u>TO DISCUSS ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE</u></p> <p>None received.</p>
2020/183	<p><u>TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE TOWN CLERK</u></p> <p>The Clerk updated the Council on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The new Clerk will start on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Clerks leaving date is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, however, the Clerk had agreed to complete the internal audit, return for the closedown of accounts in May and complete the external audit. The Clerk advised that she would liaise with the new Clerk regarding when she would need to come into the office.</li> <li>• Easter Egg event will be held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2021.</li> <li>• RMBC have announced that they have £4million for district Town Centres, the Clerk advised she would put the item on the next agenda.</li> <li>• The new noticeboard will be installed in the next few weeks outside the Edward Dunn Memorial Hall</li> </ul>
2020/154	<p><u>TO NOTIFY THE TOWN CLERK OF MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE AGENDA</u></p> <p>None</p>
2020/155	<p><u>TO CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p>Thursday 1 April 2021, 6.30pm</p>

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