



ILKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ILKLEY PARISH COUNCIL'S PUBLIC TOILETS COMMITTEE HELD AT ILKLEY TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 20th JULY 2017, 6.30pm

Those present:

Chairman: Councillor Mike Gibbons

Councillors: Councillor Kate Butler, Councillor Susan Cuthbertson, Councillor Andrew Walbank and Councillor Mark Stidworthy.

Officers: Louise Close (Deputy Clerk)

- 1718/18 ITEM 1 - CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**
Councillor Gibbons thanked everybody for attending the meeting
- 1718/19 ITEM 2 - APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Apologies were received from Councillor Hawkesworth and Mr David Runton
- 1718/20 ITEM 3 - DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**
There were no disclosures of interest.
- 1718/21 ITEM 4 - DISPENSATIONS**
There were no dispensation requests from members received by the Clerk in respect of this meeting.
- 1718/22 ITEM 5 – MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
Proposed by Councillor Cuthbertson
Seconded by Councillor Stidworthy
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Public Toilets Committee meeting held on 6th July 2017 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
(Unanimous)
- 1718/23 ITEM 6 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
There were no members of the public present.
- 1718/24 ITEM 7 - CLOSURE OF PUBLIC TOILETS IN ILKLEY**
The rate relief was discussed and it was confirmed that Rate relief would not be available for the public toilet buildings.
Councillor Cuthbertson confirmed that she visited the toilets with the clerk to look at the condition of them. The Clerk showed pictures of the current state of the Riverside toilets and the committee discussed if keeping them running was a feasible option.
Councillor Gibbons confirmed that the committee needs a statement of dilapidation from Bradford regarding the Riverside building and the condition they are in.
It was resolved that the Councillors would visit the toilets with the contractors that clean White Wells toilets and also a surveyor to give them an informal verdict of the condition of the building. The clerk would ask the cleaning contractors and Councillor Cuthbertson and Councillor Gibbons would ask the surveyor.

The committee discussed various points that concerned them. We insurance cover the building because of flood risk, would they be thoroughly deep cleaned before take over, what would contractors costs be, would it be feasible to have port a loos in the area during summer.

It was resolved to complete the following before the next meeting:

The Clerk would write to Bradford to discuss the Riverside building, stating the serious concerns that the committee have and ask them to complete the statement of dilapidation with urgency. They also confirm that under no circumstances will the committee take on members of staff and this is to be confirmed in writing to Bradford also.

The Clerk is also to research costs of port a loos, legal requirements for disabled access and planning restrictions if rebuilding was to take place.

The next meeting of this Committee will take place on: **Thursday 10th August 2017 @ 6.00pm**

Meeting closed at 19:45