

**MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF AN EDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 25th OCTOBER, 2021 AT 10.00AM IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES,
STUBBINS HILL, EDLINGTON.**

Present: Councillors Joan Briggs (Mayor), Jan Devanney and Steve Reardon.

Also in Attendance: Simon Oldham (Town Clerk).

2021.183 To consider and approve apologies for absence.

RESOLVED to approve the apologies of Councillor Keri Anderson and Linda Smith.

2021.184 To consider motions for the variation to the order of business (if any).

None.

2020.185 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's code of conduct or Members register of disclosable pecuniary interests.

None.

2021.186 To identify items for which the press and public may be excluded (if any).

RESOLVED to exclude the public and press in respect of agenda item 5 in respect of the Town Councillor co-optee applications, following the submissions of the prospective co-optees in support of their applications, during the deliberations on the merits of the applicants. In addition, to exclude in respect of agenda item 8 "To receive an update on the criminal damage to the CCTV column at the recreation ground following installation on 13-15 October and a way forward in light of discussions with the contractor and DMBC Community Safety Team", in view of the confidential nature of legal advice sought and potential proceedings be commenced and/or prospects of litigation.

2021.187 To receive written applications for the office of Town Councillor and to co-opt a candidate to fill the existing vacancy

Two applications had been received and considered in respect of the existing vacant Town Councillor position on the Council. The applicants spoke for up to three minutes in support of their applications. The applicants were then asked to withdraw, whilst Members debated the merits of their submissions and whether to support an appointment. Following the applicants returning to the meeting, Members **RESOLVED** that Gary Tinkler be appointed as a co-opted Member of the Town Council.

(Gary Tinkler signed his acceptance of office declaration in the presence of the Town Clerk).

2021.188 To receive an update on the Sculpting quotation for a memorial for the late Frank Arrowsmith involving unexpected additional casting/foundary costs and to determine a way forward

RESOLVED (1) to note the clarification from the Sculptor that his previous quote excluded casting/foundary costs which when added may double the approximate overall costing of the proposed sculpture and (2) in light of this and the significant shortfall in funding compared to the funds raised via the "Go Fund Me" fundraising appeal, the sculpting proposal be aborted and an alternative option potentially involving a granite memorial plaque or carving be considered in conjunction with the family.

2021.189 Remembrance Sunday 14/11/21 – To consider the implications regarding the withdrawal of the Army Cadet's C Company, Yorkshire and Humber ACF and Corps of Drums Band and to determine revised arrangements.

RESOLVED that the following arrangements be taken forward in light of the withdrawal of the Army Cadet's and band :-

- The parade route be revised for a one-way march from Main Avenue (St John's Church) past the Police Station to collect the Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Town Mayor and Veteran's to proceed along Main Avenue, turn left on to Edlington Lane to arrive at the Cenotaph garden
- DMBC Highways Team be advised accordingly in respect of revising the Road Closure Order
- In lieu of hugely significantly reduced Cadet's presence, the Hogroast pre and post event refreshments be cancelled
- The Parade master be notified accordingly as well as being asked to perform the reading "They shall not grow old ..." as part of the service and to coordinate the arrangements on the day for the laying of the wreaths
- A final preparations meeting be scheduled to be held in the Grainger Centre on Tuesday 9/11/21 at 5.30pm to review last minute plans and an invite be extended to the Parade Master, the Priest and Lay Preacher's that would be conducting respective services on both Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday
- Councillor Rob Reid be asked to liaise with respective contacts/parties regarding these revised arrangements, including the Deputy Lord Lieutenant and to make enquiries with the pupil at STW Academy about the prospects of her performing bugler duties and playing the "Last Post" & "Reveille" on Sunday 14th.

2021.190 To receive an update on the criminal damage to the CCTV column at the recreation ground following installation on 13-15 October and a way forward in light of discussions with the contractor and DMBC Community Safety Team.

RESOLVED to note the update by the Clerk on the wilful attack to the installation of the CCTV infrastructure column on 16/10/21 a matter of hours after its erection, the subsequent meeting with the contractor and DMBC Community Safety Team and the actions that were being considered/progressed going forwards.

2021.191 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 9th November, 2021 at 6.30pm

The meeting closed at 12.40pm.