

**MINUTES OF THE HETTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
ON MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER, 2007 IN THE COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS, THE HETTON CENTRE AT 7.15 p.m.**

**Present:** Councillor Mrs. E. A. Rankin (I.P.C.), in the Chair

**Present:** Councillors: J. Blackburn, Mrs. J. Blackburn, S. Blackburn, G.W.K. Hepple, A. Maddison, Mrs. R. Meadows, Mrs. E. Richardson, W. Robinson, J. Steel, Mrs. D. Storey, R. D. Tate (12).

As both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor were absent the Immediate Past Chairman, Councillor Mrs. E. A. Rankin took the Chair of the Meeting.

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. F. Anderson, Mrs. M. Adamson, W. Glover, Mrs. J. Heron, R. Heron, Mrs. E. Metcalfe, C. Nairns, Mrs. M. Summerill, A. R. Wilkinson. (9)

**2 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17th September, 2007**

Councillor Tate noted he was present for all the Meeting.

The Minutes having been circulated to Members, it was moved by Coun Maddison and seconded by Coun Mrs Storey it was RESOLVED that the Minutes be accepted as a true record.

**3 Matters Arising**

None recorded.

**4 Declarations of Interest**

Councillor R. D. Tate declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Item 12 Planning Consultation as a Member of the City Council Development Control Committee.

**5 Ward Matters for Investigation**

- a. Councillor Nairns had relayed a request that an update on progress on Hetton By-pass Project.
- b. It was highlighted that no sign was evident in High Street, directing to Easington Lane Cemetery.

Similarly no sign was in place in Hetton Town Centre directing to Hetton Medical Centre.

**6 Parish Plans, Seminar DRCC, Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2007, The Glebe Centre**

The following Members wished to attend the Seminar:

Councillors Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. Heron, Hepple, Robinson, Maddison and Mrs. Storey

**7 Market Street Christmas Illuminations**

Members received a Report of a Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2007 with City Council Officers

**8 Champions of the Community Scheme**

The following nominations were received and accepted by the Council:

Nomination by Councillor Mrs. R. Meadows for Mr. D and Mrs. G. Wallace for their work with youth over many years in the Scouts and Brownie movements.

Nomination by Councillor Mrs. D. Storey for Steve Cole for his work at Hetton School as Head of Music and his devotion to music/pupil involvement and school productions

Councillors S. Blackburn and A. Maddison are to make nominations at the next Meeting.

**9. Northumbria in Bloom Presentations 2007**

The Town Clerk reported that Awards had been made in respect of:

Silver Gilt Award – Conservation Project Category to Hetton Lyons Country Park.

Bronze Award – Large Town Category, Hetton-le-Hole.

Members recorded their appreciation to Norman Atkinson, Parks Services Officer, Sunderland City Council, for his efforts with the Project

**10 Licencing Act 2005**

The Director of Community & Cultural Services distributed a report highlighting licencing applicants. Members made no observations on this report, however, asked if specific details could be provided in future, i.e. exact hours, change of licence etc.

## **11 Planning Consultations**

No observations / objections were made in respect of the following:

### **07/04280/SUB**

Kvarner, Houghton Road, Hetton-le-Hole  
Erection of first floor extension

### **07/04196/FUL**

31 Hollowdene, Hetton-le-Hole  
Erection of Garden Shed

Signed Councillor Mrs. E. A. Rankin  
Immediate Past Chairman