

**MINUTES OF THE HETTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD
ON MONDAY 19th OCTOBER, 2009 IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS, THE HETTON CENTRE AT 7.15 p.m.**

Present: Councillor Mrs. M. Adamson, Mayor, in the Chair

Present: Councillors: Mrs. Adamson, J. Blackburn, Glover, Mrs. Heron, R. Heron, Hepple, Mrs. R. Meadows, Mrs. E Metcalfe, Nairns, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. Richardson, Robinson, Robson, Steel, Mrs. D. Storey, Tate, Wilkinson. (18).

1. To receive and accept Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on received from Councillors Mrs. J. Blackburn, S. Blackburn and Maddison (3)

2 To receive and approve the Minutes of the last Council meeting held 5th October, 2009

The Minutes having been distributed to Members it was moved by Councillor Wilkinson and seconded by Councillor Robson and RESOLVED that they be accepted as a true record.

3 To consider matters arising from the Minutes

No matters were raised.

4 To record Declarations of Interest from Members for any items on the Agenda

Councillor R. Heron recorded a personal and prejudicial interest in respect of Item 13, Planning consultation.

5 To adjourn the meeting to allow public participation

6 Ward Matters raised by Members

a. Councillor Robson reported that vehicles had been seen using the grass verge off Regent Street to All Saints Drive as a short cut.

Also the ongoing problem of youth disorder, including consuming alcohol and graffiti at the two footpaths rear of All Saints Drive. This issue was a constant problem to residents and dated back more than 10 years, when application had been made to close the footpaths.

The empty Caroline Public House was becoming derelict, however it was noted it was now for sale by auction.

b. Councillor Glover suggested the ladies from the 'Keep the Baths Open' lobby group is invited to tour the building.

c. **Councillor Nairns** referred to the poor state of Hetton Burn area, particularly in the area of the footbridge was cluttered with rubbish and debris and needs urgent attention.

d. **Councillor Mrs. Rankin** referred to advertisements at North Road offering grazing land availability where access road may be a traffic issue.

e. **Councillor Wilkinson** asked that an accurate report was obtained to confirm the ongoing position of the Police Community Team moving back into the Hetton Centre accommodation.

Also the ongoing issue of youth disorder at the transport interchange and asked if the CCTV NEXUS cameras were still operational.

7. Sunderland Host City Bid, support letter request.

This agreed.

8. Remembrance Services

The Town Clerk reported that two services were to be held and letters of invitation had been sent out to the community representatives.

9 Northumbria in Bloom

a. Councillor Hepple gave a verbal report on the meeting, 14th October, 2009 and confirmed the Council were awaiting estimate costings of projects suggested at the meeting.

10 Hetton Lyons Cricket Club Junior Presentation

It was agreed to give a spirit bottle donation

11 Sunderland NHS Engagement Board, 20th October, 2009 at 1.30 p.m.

Noted

12 Bus Service Briefing

Received and noted

13 Planning Consultation

A App No 09/03755/FUL
79 Caroline Street
Dormer window to rear

B App. No 09/0373/FUL
27a Front Street, Hetton-le-Hole
Change of use from office accommodation to 1, 2 bedroom apartment

C App No 09/0347/FUL
Land adjacent to Avondale, Houghton Road, Hetton-le-Hole
Erection of new dwelling house

D App No 09/03699/FUL
Kirimuir, Logan Street, Hetton-le-Hole
Erection of extension, conversion of garage into a room with first floor extension

In respect of the above applications no objection/observations were made.

In respect of:

App No 09/03580/FUL
New Inn, Four Lane Ends
Alterations to gable end, additional door, window and decking with boundary fence

Members opposed the application as this application for the decking area was built on existing car park area and hence removed car park in a very congested area and vehicles now parked on pavement adjacent to primary school, causing safety concerns.

14 Applications for Financial Assistance

- a. I. Thompson, Archery Club – agreed to award of £300 purchase of equipment to be invoiced to the Town Council.
- b. Moorsley Residents Association – their application to be deferred for full financial balance sheet and formal form to be completed.

15 Determination; claimed public rights of way

- A Rear of Brookside, North Road
B Elemore Vale, Easington Lane

Noted and agreed.

Signed
COUNCILLOR Mrs. M. A. ADAMSON
Mayor