Minutes of the Economy Committee meeting held on

**Thursday 13th June 2023 at 7.pm**

# Present:

Cllrs G Jennison, G Dixon, R Knowles, B Wyatt-Millington

# In attendance:

Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk, David Shaw, Pete Griffith

**ECO2324/1 Election of Chair**

Resolved to elect Cllr Jennison as Chair of the Economy Committee for the year 23/24.

**ECO2324/2 Election of Vice Chair**

Resolved unanimously to appoint Cllr Wyatt-Millington as Vice Chair of the Economy Committee for the year 23/24.

# ECO2324/3 Chair’s opening remarks

Cllr Jennison welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the financial year and thanked fellow Councillors for attending the informal meeting to go over focuses for the upcoming.

# ECO2324/4 Approve reasons for absence

None.

# ECO2324/5 Disclosures of interest

None.

# ECO2324/6 Minutes of the previous meeting

**Resolved to approve the minutes of the Economy Committee meeting of 2nd February 2023.**

# ECO2324/7 Clerk’s report

The Deputy Clerk circulated the Walkers and Welcome report and it was noted that they will send a representative to attend Full Council in July.

The Deputy Clerk advised that a meeting is scheduled with Christmas Plus to consider the festive display for 23/24.

Finally, the Deputy Clerk advised that progress is being made with the Northgate Toilets and the automated locking system should be fitted to the gates shortly.

# ECO2324/8 Public participation

Deferred to relevant items.

**ECO2324/9 Important Information from Councillors and Staff**

Cllr Wyatt-Millington advised that, as lead on City of Culture, he hopes to hold a meeting in September to discuss the same.

Cllr Dixon advised that Friends of Baildon Station had recently held their AGM and it was noted that passenger information screen will be made 2 sided.

Cllr Jennison finally advised on the prospect of a ‘vintage weekend’ in Baildon. The same would include music, food, vintage clothes and cars etc. If a formal proposal was received the same could well be considered.

**ECO2324/10 Appointment Representatives to External Organisations**

Resolved to appoint:

* Cllr Knowles to the Leeds Bradford Airport Consultative Committee (Cllr Dixon as sub)
* Cllr Jennison to Saltaire WHO
* Cllr Wyatt Millington to Rural Services Network

Resolved that any Councillor can substitute if necessary to represent these the Council at these Committees.

# ECO2324/11 To consider current Planning applications on CBMDC website and to agree actions (see planning4Bradford.ECO).

None

# ECO2324/12 Baildon Library Advisory Group

Cllr Dixon advised that BLAG met on 22nd June 2023.

BLAG had reviewed their Terms of Reference and proposed the following amendments:

* Membership (additions highlighted) – The BLAG will consist of up to 3 Town Councillors, the Town Clerk and 2/3 representatives of Bradford Libraries Division, and be supported by the BTC Library Volunteer Coordinator. The group may also co-opt up to 2 further members with relevant experience.
* Making Decisions (additions/amendments highlighted) - in the event of a consensus position (or agreement) not being reached, the final decision will be made by Bradford Libraries.

**Resolved to accept the amendments to the Terms of Reference and to appoint Cllrs Dixon, Jennison and Wyatt-Millington to BLAG.**

# ECO2324/13 Harley Davidson Rally in Baildon

David Shaw confirmed that the Baildon Harley Partnership had been reconstituted and would be holding an AGM the next year. It was also confirmed that the road closure application had been submitted along with the SAG (PSLG).

David also confirmed that the road closure had been extended for Saturday to also cover east parade / north parade – awaiting authorisation.

Pete Griffith of Shipley Wrecking Crew advised that the formation of the partnership allows the event and ride out to be properly and safely organised. Pete explained that they are, as of yet, undecided on the charity for this year but tend to stay with more local charities such as for local individuals in need.

**Resolved to allocate the £1000 in the Harley budget to Shipley Harley Rally (Wrecking Crew) and delegate provision of the same to the Clerk.**

**Resolved that BTC will pay for the costs of the road closure directly when an invoice is provided from Harley reserves and delegate provision of the same to the Clerk.**

**Resolved that £500 be paid to the Harley Partnership for general costs from Harley reserves and delegate provision of the same to the Clerk.**

# ECO2324/14 Christmas Lights

The Deputy Clerk advised that a meeting with Christmas Plus is pending and will take place over the next 2 weeks.

It was discussed that the Baildon at Christmas Committee is no longer continuing but Cllr Dixon noted that businesses and venues have all stepped forward more over the last few years.

The switch on event was discussed and the possibility of amending the day and timings.

**Resolved to hold the switch on event on Friday 24th November at 6pm.**

**Resolved that the Clerk will apply for a road closure for the stocks area, in consultation with the Chair of the Economy Committee regarding start time and duration, for the switch on event.**

# ECO2324/15 Committee Budget

Resolved to delegate the following budget lines to the Clerk in consultation with the Chair:

* Christmas Lights
* Switch on Event
* Bunting
* Northgate Toilets
* Library

# ECO2324/19 Promotional Opportunities / Items for Future Agenda

August newsletter will include the Harley Rally and Walkers are Welcome festival.

**ECO2324/20 Next Meeting Date**

26th September 2023

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