

Spennymoor Town Council

Minutes of the proceedings of a Meeting of SPENNYMOOR TOWN COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Spennymoor on Tuesday 26th February, 2008 at 6.45p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor I.Harrington (Deputy Town Mayor) and

Councillors Miss S.L.Armstrong, Mrs.C.Bainbridge, J.V.Graham, M.T.B.Jones, Mrs.E.Maddison, C.Maddison, J.M.Marr, J.Parkin, J.E.Plews, F.E.Ryder, J.W.Smith, Mrs.C.Sproat, K.Thompson G.Tolley, F.Walker, W.Waters and Mrs.E.M.Wood.

Also in attendance Mrs.P.Wilson (Town Clerk)
M.S.Rowe (Finance Manager)
Mrs.B.Fryer (Principal Admin Officer)

APOLOGIES: Councillors J.C.Culine, Miss T.Graham, G.Heslop and Mrs.J.L.Wood (Town Mayor).

The Deputy Mayor welcomed Mike Rowe the newly appointed Finance Manager to the Town Council and advised Members that representatives on behalf of Barratt Homes were in attendance to address Members and that item 7 would be considered immediately following item 3.

84/07. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

RESOLVED - No personal or prejudicial interest was made by any Member.

85/07 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS.**

RESOLVED - No questions had been received from Members of the Public in accordance with Standing Order 12.

86/07. **GREEN ISSUES**

Barratt Homes, Land off Carr Lane, Spennymoor.

The Deputy Mayor welcomed Gerard Abbiss from Development Design Partnership and David Rolinson of Spawforths who were in attendance to address members on Barratt Homes proposals.

Following a detailed presentation the representatives answered Members' questions.

RESOLVED – That the representatives be thanked for their presentation to members.

87/07.

MINUTES.

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 29th January, 2008 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

88/07.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS.

The Mayor reported on the functions she had attended since the last meeting:-

- a) Saturday 2nd February - Town Mayor attended City of Durham's "An Evening at the Dogs";
- b) Tuesday 5th February - Town Mayor attended Clarence Court's Shrove Tuesday event;
- c) Friday 8th February - Town Mayor attended District of Easington Civic Dinner;
- d) Wednesday 13th February - An Evening of Clairvoyance at the Town Hall – raised £1200 towards the Mayor's Charity Appeal;
- e) Thursday 14th February - Town Mayor attended Chilton Town Council Valentines Dance;
- f) Friday 22nd February - Deputy Mayor attended Peterlee Town Council Grand Charity Evening;
- g) Tuesday 26th February - Town Mayor attended District of Easington Charity Evening.

89/07.

COMMITTEE MINUTES.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meetings of the following Committees be approved

Special Committee	25 th January, 2008
Allotments	5 th February, 2008
Finance and General Purposes	5 th February, 2008
Planning and Highways	12 th February, 2008
Services and Amenities	12 th February, 2008

There being no further business the Town Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7.40p.m.

**Councillor I.Harrington
Deputy Town Mayor**

Spennymoor Town Council

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Spennymoor on Tuesday 4th March, 2008 at 6.45p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs.C.Bainbridge (Chair) and

Councillors J.C.Culine, J.V.Graham, I.Harrington, M.T.B.Jones, C.Maddison, Mrs.E.Maddison, J.M.Marr, J.Parkin, J.E.Plews, F.E.Ryder, J.W.Smith, Mrs.C.Sproat, K.Thompson, G.Tolley (Vice-Chair), F.Walker, Mrs.E.M.Wood and Mrs.J.L.Wood.

Also in attendance Mrs.P.Wilson (Town Clerk)
Miss E.V.Russell (Admin Assistant)
P.Hepple (Audit Commission)
N.Freeman (Spennymoor Allotment Association)

APOLOGIES: Councillors Miss S.L.Armstrong, Miss T.Graham. G.Heslop and W.Waters.

A.65/07. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

RESOLVED - No personal or prejudicial interest was made by any Member.

A.66/07. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS.**

RESOLVED - No questions had been received from Members of the Public in accordance with Standing Order 12.

SPENNYMOOR ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION.

A.67/07. **Minutes.**

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 7th February, 2008 be received.

A.68/07. **Invitation to meeting.**

Members considered the invitation received from Spennymoor Allotment Association, inviting Members to the next Allotment Meeting on Thursday 6th March, 2008.

RESOLVED - That the Town Clerk, Leader, Chair and Vice-Chair of Allotments Committee attend the meeting of the Spennymoor Allotment Association.

GREEN LANE ALLOTMENTS.

A.69/07. **Boundary Fence.**

Members considered the report of the Project Manager dated 6th February, 2008.

RESOLVED - That local Ward Members attend a site visit to discuss this issue.

KIRK MERRINGTON ALLOTMENTS.

A.70/07. **Blue House Estate.**

Members considered the report of the Project Manager dated 11th February, 2008.

RESOLVED - i) That a trailer be provided;
ii) That assistance be given with the overgrown hedge.

TUDHOE ALLOTMENTS.

A.71/07. **Self Management.**

Members considered letter received 25th February, 2008 from M.Burns, Secretary.

RESOLVED - That assistance be offered to the Association to help them progress with the issue of Self Management.

A.72/07. **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.**

RESOLVED - That in accordance with the provision of S1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by S100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council do now exclude the press and public for the remaining items of the Agenda by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to public interest.

A.73/07. **DISPOSAL OF ALLOTMENT LAND.**

RESOLVED - That the Town Clerk, Leader, Chair and Vice-Chair of Allotments Committee attend the next meeting of the Spennymoor Allotment Association.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 6.59 p.m.

Councillor Mrs.C.Bainbridge
Chair

Spennymoor Town Council

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Spennymoor on Tuesday 4th March, 2008 on the rising of the Allotments Committee.

PRESENT: Councillor J.Parkin (Chair) and

Councillors Mrs.C.Bainbridge, J.C.Culine, J.V.Graham, I.Harrington, M.T.B.Jones, C.Maddison, Mrs.E.Maddison, J.M.Marr, J.E.Plews (Vice-Chair), F.E.Ryder, J.W.Smith, Mrs.C.Sproat, K.Thompson, G.Tolley, F.Walker, Mrs.E.M.Wood and Mrs.J.L.Wood.

Also in attendance Mrs.P.Wilson (Town Clerk)
Miss E.V.Russell (Admin Assistant)
P. Hepple (Audit Commission)

APOLOGIES: Councillors Miss S.L.Armstrong, Miss T.Graham, G.Heslop and W.Waters.

F.&G.P. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**
217/07. RESOLVED - A Declaration of Interest was received from Councillors I. Harrington and Mrs J.L.Wood.

F.&G.P. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS.**
218/07. RESOLVED - No questions had been received from Members of the Public in accordance with Standing Order 12.

F.&G.P. **QUALITY TOWN COUNCIL STATUS.**
219/07. RESOLVED - The Town Clerk reported to all Members that the Town Council had received Quality Status.

F.&G.P. **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.**
220/07. **Bishop Auckland Schools Football Association.**
Members considered letter received 11th February, 2008 from P. Simpson, Hon. Secretary.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That consideration of this item be deferred pending receipt of further information as to the involvement of Spennymoor pupils.
 - ii) That the Town Clerk obtain information on what other Councils may donate.

F.&G.P. **St John's Church, Kirk Merrington.**
221/07. Members considered the completed S137 grant application form.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That the item be deferred to allow the Town Clerk to obtain financial information/estimates from the Treasurer of PCC;
 - ii) That St John's Church contact Mears Group Plc to ask for assistance with the project.

CONFERENCES AND COURSES.

F.&G.P. **National Association of Councillors – A Cleaner Greener Local Environment 18th – 20th January, 2008.**
222/07.

RESOLVED - That the contents of the report be received and noted.

F.&G.P. **Joint Cremation and Burial Conference and Exhibition 2008.**
223/07. Reference was made to Minute F.&G.P.193/07 and Members considered this deferred matter.

RESOLVED - That the Town Council be represented by 2 Members plus delegate at the above Conference.

F.&G.P. **Society of Local Council Clerks Larger Local Councils Conference 2008 - Thursday 24th – Friday 25th April, 2008**
224/07.

Members considered attendance at the above conference.

RESOLVED - That the Finance Manager attend in the absence of the Town Clerk.

COUNTY DURHAM ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

F.&G.P. **Parish Council Consultation on the Draft County Durham Economic Strategy 2008 -13**
225/07.

Members considered letter dated 28th January 2008 from the chair of the above.

RESOLVED - That the letter be received and noted.

COUNTY DURHAM ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS.

F.&G.P. 226/07. **Local Petitions and Call for Action – Government Consultation.**
Members considered email dated 30th January 2008 from S.Ragg.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That a letter be sent advising S.Ragg that when petitions are received they are always placed on the appropriate agenda and responded to accordingly;
 - ii) The Town Clerk to send the relevant extracts from the Standing Orders.

F.&G.P. 227/07. **Durham Association News.**
RESOLVED - To receive and note the contents of the Durham Association News, Issue 17.

PUBLIC CATALOGUE FOUNDATION.

F.&G.P. 228/07. **Paintings held at the Town Hall.**
Members considered letter dated 19th February, 2008 from Sally Pelham, Coordinator County Durham.

RESOLVED - That the Town Council opt to not allow the categorisation of the Paintings in the Public Catalogue.

F.&G.P. 229/07. **MEMBERS ALLOWANCE SCHEME.**
Members considered the amended allowance scheme and the report of the Town Clerk.
Councillor Mrs.E.Maddison requested a recorded and named vote in respect of the above.

All those in favour of accepting the revised allowance:-
Councillor Mrs C.Bainbridge, J.C.Culine, J.V.Graham, I.Harrington, J.M.Marr, J.E.Plews, F.E.Ryder, J.W.Smith, G.Tolley, F.Walker and Mrs J.L.Wood.

All those against:-
Councillor M.T.B.Jones, Mrs E.Maddison, C.Maddison, K.Thompson, Mrs C.Sproat and Mrs E.M.Wood.

RESOLVED – That the amended Members Allowance Scheme be approved.

F.&G.P. 230/07. **STANDARDS BOARD.**
RESOLVED - To receive and note the contents of Bulletin 3 received from the Standards Board.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

F.&G.P.
231/07.

Paid Accounts.

RESOLVED - To confirm the payment of accounts in the sum of £8,389.49 authorised for payment, payments by BACS in the sum of £30,558.86 for February and reimbursement of the Imprest Account in the sum of £19,119.84 for February.

F.&G.P.
232/07.

Accounts to Authorise.

RESOLVED - To authorise the payment of accounts in the sum of £17,431.95 for February.

F.&F.P.
233/07.

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RESOLVED - That in accordance with the provisions of S1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by S100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council do now exclude the press and public for the remaining items of the Agenda by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest.

F.&G.P.
234/07

LAND AT ALBION STREET.

Reference was made to Minute F.&G.P.189/07 and Members gave consideration to this deferred matter and to the report of the Town Clerk.

RESOLVED - That Members accept the offer from Hedley Park Developments with the caveat that we will be seeking an appropriate overage clause if the developer can secure planning permission for more units than permitted in the outline planning permission. We will also be looking for a % of the resale value, should the developer "land bank" the site and not develop until land prices have significantly increased.

F.&G.P.
235/07.

MAYOR'S ATTENDANCE AT OTHER AUTHORITIES CIVIC FUNCTIONS.

(Councillors I. Harrington and Mrs J.L.Wood declared a prejudicial interest in this item and left the building).

Members considered the report of the Town Clerk.

RESOLVED - i) That those Authorities charging for tickets for their Civic Dinner no longer receive guest invitations to our Civic Dinner;

- ii) That the Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor be reimbursed for previous expenditure.

(Councillors I. Harrington and Mrs J.L.Wood returned to the meeting)

F.&G.P.
236/07. **CREATION OF A YOUTH COUNCIL.**
Members considered the report of the Town Clerk.

RESOLVED - That the item be deferred to invite Lesley Swinbank (Town Clerk, Sedgefield Town Council) and A.Coulthard (Sedgefield Borough Council) to address Members on this issue.

F.&G.P.
237/07. **ESTABLISHMENT.**
Work Experience.
Members considered letter dated 5th February, 2008 from Tony Hood, on behalf of his daughter.

RESOLVED - That a work experience placement be accepted for 14th – 18th July, 2008.

F.&G.P.
238/07. **Finance Assistant.**
RESOLVED - To receive the Technical Level Statement of Achievement together with the final examination results for the AAT and that a letter of congratulations be sent to Mrs Dunn.

F.&G.P.
239/07. **BUDGET CONTROL.**
RESOLVED - That the Budget Control Reports showing information up to 22nd February, 2008 be received and noted.

F.&G.P.
240/07. **TOWN HALL BAR.**
RESOLVED - That the report on Monthly Profit and Loss be received and noted.

The Chair of Committee exercised his statutory discretion to take an urgent item of Council business, which was not on the Agenda.

F.&G.P.
241/07. **CATERING CONTRACT.**
Members considered report from Town Clerk.

RESOLVED - That the recommendations of the Town Clerk be accepted except for Recommendation 1.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.46p.m.

Councillor J.Parkin
Chair

Spennymoor Town Council

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Spennymoor on Tuesday 11th March, 2008 at 6.45p.m.

PRESENT: Miss S.L.Armstrong (Chair) and

Councillors J.C.Culine, Miss T.Graham, I.Harrington, M.T.B.Jones, C.Maddison, J.Parkin, J.E.Plews, F.E.Ryder (Vice-Chair), J.W.Smith, Mrs.C.Sproat, K.Thompson, G.Tolley, F.Walker, W.Waters, Mrs.J.L.Wood and Mrs.E.M.Wood.

Also in attendance Mrs.P.Wilson (Town Clerk)
Miss E.V.Russell (Admin Assistant)
Inspector Bentham (Spennymoor Police)

APOLOGIES: Councillors Mrs.C.Bainbridge, J.V.Graham, G.Heslop and J.M.Marr.

P.&H. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

90/07. RESOLVED - No personal or prejudicial interest was made by any Member.

P.&H. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS.**

91/07. RESOLVED - No questions had been received from Members of the Public in accordance with Standing Order 12.

POLICE.

P.&H. **Report.**

92/07. Inspector Bentham addressed Members on the Police Report and also gave the police perspective in relation to the family fun day which was to be considered on the Service and Amenities Agenda.

RESOLVED - That the Police Report be received.

P.&H. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

93/07. Members had before them the schedule of planning applications received to date from Sedgfield Borough Council, since the last meeting and the comments made upon them by the Chairman.

RESOLVED - That the information and the Chairman's action be received and noted.

P.&H.
94/07. **Planning Decisions.**
Members had before them details of planning decisions made by Sedgefield Borough Council.

RESOLVED - That the information be received and noted.

P.&H.
95/07. **Barratt Homes.**
Members considered planning applications 7/07/0858 and 7/04/0577.

RESOLVED - That NO OBJECTIONS be placed on the applications.

P.&H.
96/07. **NORTH EAST REGIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY.**
Further Proposed Changes.
Members considered the above document

RESOLVED - That the letter be received and noted.

P.&H.
97/07. **NAMING AND NUMBERING.**
Barratt Homes.
RESOLVED - To receive letter dated 1st February, 2008 from Sedgefield Borough Council in connection with the above.

P.&H.
98/07. **BUS SHELTERS.**
Central Drive, Middlestone Moor.
Members considered letter dated 6th February, 2008 from Mrs. L.J.Nunn.

RESOLVED - That a letter be sent explaining the reasoning for the installation of the shelter.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 7 09p.m.

Councillor Miss S.L.Armstrong
Chair

Spennymoor Town Council

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the SERVICES AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Spennymoor on Tuesday 11th March, 2008 at 6.45p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor J.W.Smith (Chair)

Councillors J.C.Culine (Vice-Chair), Miss T.Graham, I.Harrington, M.T.B.Jones, C.Maddison, Mrs.E.Maddison, J.Parkin, J.E.Plews, F.E.Ryder, Mrs.C.Sproat, K.Thompson, G.Tolley, F.Walker, W.Waters, Mrs.J.L.Wood and Mrs.E.M.Wood.

Also in attendance Mrs.P.Wilson (Town Clerk)
Miss E.V.Russell (Admin Assistant)

APOLOGIES: Councillors Miss S.L.Armstrong, Mrs.C.Bainbridge, J.V.Graham, G.Heslop and J.M.Marr.

S.&A. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

126/07. RESOLVED - Declarations of interest were received from Councillors J.C.Culine, Mrs E.Maddison, F.E.Ryder and J.W.Smith.

S.&A. . **PUBLIC QUESTIONS.**

127/07. RESOLVED - No questions had been received from Members of the Public in accordance with Standing Order 12.

PARKS AND OPEN SPACES.

S.&A. **Jubilee Park – Gala.**

128/07. *(Councillor J.C.Culine declared a Personal Interest in the following two items and left the meeting). (Councillor J.W.Smith in Chair)*

Members considered letter dated 16th February, 2008 from J.C.Culine MBE, Hon Secretary, Spennymoor Aged Persons Gala and Treat Fund Committee.

RESOLVED - That the request by the Spennymoor Aged Persons Gala and Treat Fund Committee to use Jubilee Park and its facilities be agreed to as in previous years subject to compliance with the law.

S.&A.
129/07. **Jubilee Park – Funfair.**
Members considered letter dated 16th February, 2008 from Culine's Amusements.

RESOLVED - That the request by Culine's Amusements be agreed to as in previous years subject to compliance with the law.

(Councillor J.C.Culine returned to the meeting as Chair)

(Councillor F.E.Ryder and J.W.Smith declared a prejudicial interest in this item and left the meeting. Councillor Mrs E.Maddison declared a personal interest but remained in the meeting).

S.&A.
130/07. **Jubilee Park – Family Fun Day.**
Members considered letter dated 21st February, 2008 from Durham County Unison.

RESOLVED - That this request be refused.

(Councillors F.E.Ryder and J.W.Smith returned to the meeting)

S.&A.
131/07. **SPENNYMOOR CEMETERY.**
Request to plant tree.
Members considered letter received 12th February, 2008 from Mrs. N. Allinson.

RESOLVED - To agree to the request subject to there being a suitable tree in a suitable place.

S.&A.
132/07. **Creation of New Roadway.**
Reference was made to Minute S.&A.116/07 and further consideration was given to this deferred matter.

RESOLVED - That this item be deferred to obtain further costings.

S.&A.
133/07. **SPENNYMOOR TOWN CENTRE.**
Spennymoor Area Action Plan.
RESOLVED - That the letter dated 1st February, 2008 from Wendy Benson, Town Centre Development Manager be received and noted.

POST OFFICE NETWORK.

S.&A.
134/07. Reference was made to Minute S.&A.107/07 and Members considered letter dated 5th February 2008 from the Agency Correspondence Team, Post Office together with letter dated 7th February, 2008 from Helen Goodman, M.P.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That the letter dated 5th February, 2008 be received and noted;
 - ii) That appropriate letters be sent in support of Kirk Merrington and Tudhoe Post Office.

NORTHUMBRIA IN BLOOM.

S.&A.
135/07. **Children's Painting Competition.** Members considered letter received 7th February 2008, for entry into the 2008 competition.

- RESOLVED - That the arrangements as in previous years be implemented.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

S.&A.
136/07. **Byers Green Village Hall.** Members considered letter dated 15th February, 2008 from Mrs E.Nutter, Events Manager, Byers Green Village Hall Management Committee, requesting permission to install 'folding doors'.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That this item be deferred;
 - ii) That Kirk Merrington Community Centre be contacted to establish maintenance costs of their doors.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDEN REPORTS.

S.&A.
137/07. RESOLVED - That the reports be received and the contents noted.

TOWN HALL.

S.&A.
138/07. **1st Floor Office Accommodation.** Members considered the enquiry received from Gillian Heslop, Budpak Wholesale Limited.

- RESOLVED - The Town Clerk informed Members that a request had been received to withdraw this item from the Agenda.

S.&A. 139/07. **SEDGEFIELD BOROUGH COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP.**
RESOLVED - To receive the minutes of the above held on 18th February, 2008.

S.&A. 140/07. **TUDHOE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION.**
Members gave consideration to the correspondence from the Residents Association in connection with the siting of additional play equipment on Town Council land adjacent to the Community Centre.

RESOLVED - That this item be deferred for further investigation.

S.&A. 141/07. **NORMAN CORNISH EXHIBITION.**
Members gave consideration to the correspondence from Gillian Wales, Curator of bishop Auckland Town Hall.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That this item be deferred to enable the Town Clerk to seek clarification over the issue of insurance etc;
 - ii) Once the information required is received, to the Town Clerks satisfaction, delegated authority be granted to the Chair and Vice-Chair to make a final decision.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 7.39 p.m.

Councillor J.W.Smith
Chair

Spennymoor Town Council

Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the SPECIAL FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Spennymoor on Thursday 13th March, 2008 on the rising of the Allotments Committee.

PRESENT: Councillor J.Parkin (Chair) and

Councillors, J.C.Culine, J.V.Graham, I.Harrington, C.Maddison, Mrs.E.Maddison, F.E.Ryder, J.W.Smith, K.Thompson, G.Tolley, F.Walker, W.Waters, Mrs.E.M.Wood and Mrs.J.L.Wood.

Also in attendance Mrs.P.Wilson (Town Clerk)
M.Rowe (Finance Manager)
Miss E.V.Russell (Admin Assistant)
G.O'Hehir (Internal Auditor)
G. Smith (Caterer)
A. Houghton (Mitchells Grieveson Accountants)

APOLOGIES: Councillors G.Heslop, J.M.Marr and J.E.Plews (Vice-Chair).

F.&G.P. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

242/07. RESOLVED - No personal or prejudicial interest was made by any Member.

F.&G.P. PUBLIC QUESTIONS.

243/07. RESOLVED - No questions had been received from Members of the Public in accordance with Standing Order 12.

F.&G.P. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

244/07. RESOLVED - That in accordance with the provisions of S1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by S100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council do now exclude the press and public for the remaining items of the Agenda by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest.

F.&G.P.
245/07

TOWN HALL CATERING CONTRACT

(Minute F.&G.P.241/07 refers).

Members considered report from Town Clerk and Finance Manager.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That Option 5 be approved (with a price increase of only 12% charge to the customer) and implemented with a recommendation that Graham Smith Catering adopt the flat rate VAT scheme for Catering Services.
 - ii) That G.Smith be reimbursed for the services of his accountant (one hour) for the inquorate meeting on Tuesday 26th February, 2008;
 - iii) That this issue be re-evaluated in 6 months in accordance with Standing Orders.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 7.50p.m.

Councillor J.Parkin
Chair