

## **TOWN HALL AND MANORIAL LANDS TRUST**

**A Meeting was held in the Town Hall, Stokesley, on Thursday  
6 February 2020**

**Present:** Cllrs Ian Blakemore, Mike Canavan, Sean Carey (joined the meeting at 7.20 pm) Bryn Griffiths, Chris Johnson, Nigel Johnson, David Oxley and Graham Sowerby.  
Clerk –Mrs Julie McLuckie. Assistant Clerk – Mrs Debbie Young.

### **1/06/02/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**RESOLVED** to receive and accept the apologies for absence from Cllrs Carol Lewis, Karen Robinson and Andy Wake.

### **2/06/02/20 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 5 December 2019.

### **3/06/02/20 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

1. **RESOLVED** that the monthly statements for December 2019 and January 2020 be agreed.

### **4/06/02/20 REVIEW OF ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING**

**RESOLVED** to receive the Action List and updates.

### **5/06/02/20 TOWN HALL TRUST**

1. Town Hall Committee – no meeting had taken place since the last Trustees meeting, but one was due to be held on 10 February 2020.
2. Town Hall Management Advisory Committee (THMAC) - **RESOLVED** that the minutes from the meeting held on 13 January 2020 be received. Members thanked the Friends of the Town Hall for their continued fund-raising efforts and support at Town Hall events. Cllr Carey agreed to examine the possibility of introducing a cash machine at the Town Hall. The introduction of the card machine for the Town Hall was proving successful. The THMAC had expressed concern regarding the lack of railing at the top of the stairs following a review of the area by members it was agreed to look at introducing etched reinforced glass screening in this area. The Assistant Clerk would obtain quotes. The THMAC had questioned if the wiring in the roof space should be checked. Members confirmed that an electrical inspection had taken place and that along with the visual inspection in the roof space was suffice. The electrician had confirmed that all the appropriate safety cut off mechanisms were in place if a cable failed. The THMAC had also requested that additional mosaics be made to go alongside those already displayed in the Carter Room. These would be subject to approval of the Trustees prior to display.

3. Three quotes have been secured for the redecorating of the entrance hall and landing. Two of the companies had previously carried out work in the Town Hall the third was a new quote from a company secured through the 'trust a trader' website. **RESOLVED** that the Assistant Clerk secure references for this firm for members to consider.
4. PA System – **RESOLVED** to receive the quote from AV Systems for £3349.60 and to go ahead with the work as detailed within the quote. It was noted that the Friends of the Town Hall had agreed to raise the funds to cover this purchase.
5. Damp Proofing – **RESOLVED** to agree the quote received and to arrange for the damp proofing work to commence at the agreed cost of £1674.00.

### **6/05/12/19 MANORIAL LANDS TRUST**

1. Market Update
  - a. Friday Market – the Friday Market continues to receive its regulars with several casuals now attending in support. **RESOLVED** that the Communications & Events Committee should look at how we can promote the Friday Market. Members were disappointed to hear that there is a proposal to stop the '81' bus service to Stokesley and concerns were expressed about the negative impact this could have on the Market and High Street. **RESOLVED** to write to NYCC, Rishi Sunak MP, HDC and the Traffic Commission expressing our concerns regarding the negative impact of stopping a bus service to a Market Town as well as the environmental concerns when we should be encouraging people to use public transport.
  - b. Farmers Market – continues to be well supported. **RESOLVED** that the Northern Dales Farmers Market had been asked to organise the 'Food Fest' Events stalls and this is something that the Communications & Events Committee continue to progress.
2. Levenside Update – **RESOLVED** to receive the draft proposal from the River Leven Group to host various events along the Riverside and across the Town between 15 and 25 May 2020. The Clerk would respond advising that they would need to speak to NYCC and HDC to ensure they have all the relevant licences etc. The Clerk would also ask them to provide an update ahead of the Town Council meeting in March and invite them to attend that meeting to provide an update and that we would need a proposed programme of event by 2 April 2020 which would be the next meeting of the Trustees so they could formally approve any proposals.
3. Cobbles:
  - a. Packhorse Bridge – no further update.
  - b. Traffic Regulation Order – Cllr Canavan had supplied all the information to Wardhadaway who have been appointed to deal with this work on behalf of Stokesley Town Council. They have asked some relevant questions which will be answered once the Parking Working Group have met.
  - c. Disabled Parking Bays – concerns had been raised regarding the poor state of repair of some of the cobbles in the Disabled Parking Bays. **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would report this to HDC for action.
4. Wayleave for 29A College Square – no further update.

5. Wayleaves for underground cabling on Levenside – we are awaiting a response from our Solicitor and further information from Northern Powergrid. No response had been received from BT regarding the cabling found when the new fence was been installed. **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would chase BT again and advise that if they did not respond that the cable would be removed from Manorial Land.
6. West Green Parking Consultation - **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would circulate the proposed questionnaire for members to review, once agreed, Cllr Chris Johnson agreed to distribute.
7. The Plain Repairs – **RESOLVED** to receive the quote to carry out the repairs to the Plain and that the work should take place as soon as possible at the agreed cost of £550.
8. Events –
  - a. Climate Control Event – **RESOLVED** to approve the Climate Action Stokesley and Villages Event scheduled to take place on Sunday 5 July 2020. The Event would utilise the Town Hall at an agreed cost of £200 and the Plain would be free of charge.
  - b. VE Day 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration – **RESOLVED** to approve the Communications & Events Committee proposal to host a toast event on the West Green at 3pm on 8 May 2020.
  - c. Stokesley Charity Cycle Ride – **RESOLVED** to approve the change of date to Sunday 31 May 2020 which will start and finish on The Plain, and to accept the request from the organisers for an ice cream and a wood fired pizza van to be present on The Plain for the event. Both will make a donation of a percentage of sales to the GNAAS charity, with a similar donation to MLT should they continue trading for the remainder of the day.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Signed ..... Date .....