

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WEIGH AND TOLLS COMMITTEE OF YARM  
TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE TOWN HALL COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM ON  
TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2011**

**PRESENT**

**Chairman:** Councillor Hadlow

**Councillors:** Cllrs: Chatburn, Houchen, Monck, Neil, Sherris, Mrs. Simpson, Webster, Wegg and Mr. P Smith (Ratepayers Representative)

**Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer:** Mrs. M Milburn

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr: Hornby and Johnson

2 Members of the public attended the meeting.

**43 MINUTES**

43.1 The minutes of the previous meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2011 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

**44 CODE OF CONDUCT – DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

44.1 No declaration of interest was declared.

**45 MATTERS ARISING**

45.1 Item 37.1 to item 38.1. Yarm Fair. The Clerk informed the Council that all instructions to proceed have been initiated.

**46 ACCOUNTS**

46.1 The Weigh & Tolls Committee accounts were presented and agreed with authorisation granted for an additional payment to Medics UK for £213.38 for First Aid provision for the Yarm gala.

**47 USE OF TOWN HALL AND HIGH STREET**

47.1 The planning consent for the Town Hall Boards for a three year period was noted.

**48 THE 2011 YARM GALA**

48.1 The budget of income and expenditure from the 2011 Yarm was discussed and noted.

**49 THE 2011 YARM FAIR**

49.1 The Guest speakers for the ridings of the fair were agreed.

**RESOLVED:** Cllr Hadlow and Cllr Monck will carry out the speeches. The Clerk informed the Council that she has received an apology from the Mayors Office. The Mayor is unable to stay for the full day's events due to other commitments and will be leaving at 12.15 p.m. after the Ridings.

49.2 The Horn Blower for the 2011 Yarm Fair was confirmed as Mr Richard Kitson. The Council expressed their thanks for his commitment and thanks to the Evening Gazette for the article posted relating to this matter.

49.3 The traffic management and marshalling manual for Yarm Fair was approved by the Council.

49.4 A date for a debriefing meeting of the 2011 Yarm Fair was agreed as Tuesday October 25<sup>th</sup> 2011 at 6.30 p.m. in the Yarm Town Hall.

**Chairman**.....

**Date**.....

49.5 Cllr Chatburn volunteered to assist the Clerk with setting up the Fellowship Hall on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 5 p.m.in readiness for the luncheon which follows the Ridings of the Fair.

**50 FARMERS MARKET**

50.1 Mr Smith discussed the Farmers Market which will take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month from 8.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. The Farmers Market traders have agreed to move the times of the market on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2011 to coincide with the Lighting of the Christmas tree event. The Farmers Market has been well received. Mr Smith gave the Clerk a cheque for £660 for income from the Farmers Market for the period June 2011 to August 2011 inclusive.

**51 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE**

51.1 The Clerk informed the Council that there will be adjustments to this years service to comply with the recommended timings and delivery. She further confirmed that Tees Valley Music Services will deliver the music for the service and will contact Mr Reay regarding the PA system. Rev Peters, Elliott and the Arch Deacon will perform this year's service. The Clerk thanked Cllr Monck for the information regarding the War dead and will update the roll of honour to reflect any changes. Cllrs Monck and Chatburn volunteered to assist with the setting up of the PA system.

**52 CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING EVENT.**

52.1 Mr Smith informed the council of the proposed arrangements which were discussed at the Recreation Committee meeting. He further informed the Council that Sandra Rose florists will hold a winter wonderland event which she will coincide with the Councils tree lighting event. It was indicated that Sandra Rosee would be happy to have a Santa in the winter wonderland display and discussions took place over arrangements for a grotto and a suitable CRB checked person to take on the role of Santa.

52.2 Cllr Houchen informed the Council that he had approached Stockton BC for additional Christmas lighting. Stockton BC were unable to comply with this request. Cllr Houchen asked the Council to consider a budget for Christmas lights which could bring improvements on a yearly basis.  
**Resolved:** £1500 to be put into a budget for Christmas lighting. This will be made up of income from the Farmers Market, £300 from the allocated budget and £500 from reserves. Proposed by Cllr Monck and seconded by Cllr. Chatburn

52.3 It was confirmed that the lighting of the Christmas tree will take place on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2011 at 5.30 p.m.

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**53 THE QUEENS DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS**

53.1 The Chairman informed Councillors that plans had been discussed at the Recreation Committee meeting to merge activities with the Yarm Gala to produce a programme of events for the Queens Jubilee. It is suggested that there will be activities for adults on the Monday evening, followed by a full family day on the Tuesday. Information will be presented via minutes at the next Council meeting. The Council noted the programme of events from the Silver Jubilee Celebration of 1977 and thanked Mrs Richardson for her input.

**54 TO RECEIVE ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

54.1 No items were received for information or consideration for the next agenda.

**55. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING OF THE WEIGH AND TOLL COMMITTEE.**

55.1 The date of the next meeting of the Weigh and Tolls Committee was confirmed Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at 7.00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7:30 pm

**Signed, this 8th day of November, 2011**

**Chairman.....**

**Date.....**