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Meeting of Council held on **10 March 2021** held remotely by video conferencing.

Members Present: Councillors J Houlden-Banks (Chairman), M Cockerill, V Crawford-Gage, N Cronk, J Haxby, G Howgate (Vice Chairman), S Mills, H Parkin, L Randall, J Robinson and K Wilkie.

Scarborough Borough Councillor – John Casey

North Yorkshire County Councillor – Helen Swiers

Police Support Volunteer – Alan Skilbeck

Also Present: Three members of the public attended the meeting.

Meeting Clerks: Town Clerk David Liddle and Deputy Town Clerk Audrey Adnitt.

Minutes

The Mayor welcomed all Members to the meeting.

Minute	Item
128/20/21	Apologies There were no apologies for this meeting.
129/20/21	Declarations of interest No declarations of interest were made at this meeting.
130/20/21	Public participation time One member of the public wished to comment on the Dog Campaign which was on the agenda for discussion. The lady asked Members to consider extending the remit of the campaign to include all roadside entrances to Crescent Gardens as this area was of particular concern.

Signature: Date:



	<p>Another resident asked the Council to support his request to North Yorkshire County Council to temporarily close Murray Street to traffic over the summer months. He felt this would help with social distancing, allow the hospitality businesses in Murray Street to use additional space for outdoor seating, increase footfall for local shops and help to rejuvenate Filey.</p> <p>North Yorkshire County Cllr Swiers advised that she had asked Highways Department to consider this proposal and was awaiting their response.</p>
	Reports to Council
131/20/21	<p>North Yorkshire Police Report</p> <p>A copy of the report had been circulated with the agenda papers. The report gave details of crimes, road related incidents and anti-social behaviour between April 2020 and February 2021.</p> <p>Mr Alan Skilbeck (Police Support Volunteer) kindly attended the meeting and assisted with queries regarding dog theft, crimes involving firearms, a recent incident behind Tesco's and hoax calls.</p>
132/20/21	<p>Fairground in Country Park</p> <p>The Council was asked to consider a request to support the establishment of a fairground in the Country Park for the summer months. Mr Waddington attended the meeting to give details of his proposal, which was to site a fairground on land at the Country Park for a four-to-six-week period during the summer. The proposed hours of operation would be from 12 noon until 8 pm and entry fee would be £9 which would allow the visitor to spend three hours at the fair. there would be a wide variety of rides and attractions.</p> <p>As Scarborough Borough Council were responsible for the Country Park, Waddington's Fairs would require permission from them to proceed.</p> <p>The Mayor thanked Mr Waddington for attending and providing details of his proposal for the Council to consider.</p> <p>The Council would give the item full consideration at a subsequent meeting.</p>
133/20/21	<p>Mayoral Report</p> <p>The Mayor reported that work was ongoing with various projects the Council was working on and that the Council continued to work well with Scarborough Borough Council.</p> <p>.</p>
134/20/21	<p>Borough and County Councillor Reports</p> <p>Scarborough Borough Councillor's Report</p> <p>Scarborough Boro. Cllr Cockerill's report had been previously circulated and gave updates on the Filey Investment Plan, Dog Dirt,</p>



	<p>Housing, National Armed Forces Day, Ward Members Locality Budget, Filey Kite Festival and Filey Flood Alleviation Scheme.</p> <p>In addition, Cllr Cockerill reported on several maintenance issues he was working with officers at the Borough Council to repair, refurbish or improve. These included the refurbishment of the dinosaur in Glen Gardens, drainage below Glen Gardens, safety of steps below White Lodge, partial refurbishment of the commemorative stone on Royal Parade and improvements to the Shelter near White Lodge.</p> <p>Cllr Howgate wished to thank Cllr Cockerill for his help to improve the steps below White Lodge as they were causing safety concerns.</p> <p>Scarborough Boro. Cllr Casey's report had been previously circulated and gave updates on the Citizens Advice Bureau, Filey Sea Wall and Dog Fouling.</p> <p>In addition, Cllr Casey advised that the Filey Bay 1779 Group had submitted an expression of interest in the former Scout Hut.</p> <p>A number of litter bins, signs and bollards around town had been steam cleaned recently and were looking splendid as a result. Cllr Casey wished to thank Keep Filey Tidy for raising the money to undertake this work.</p> <p>North Yorkshire County Councillor's Report County Cllr Swiers report was circulated and provided updates on the County Council's Budget 2021/22, Covid 19, Care Home Visits and the Proposed Unitary Bid.</p> <p>County Cllr Swiers was asked to update members on the plans for Silver Birches, the potential closure of two educational centres. She was also advised of several potholes which had developed approaching the new Church Cliff Farm Development.</p>
<p>135/20/21</p>	<p>Town Clerk and RFO Report Members had been circulated with a copy of the report which contained an update on the dog warden project, Queen Street Gardens, Freeman and Freewomen applications, the Town Plan, the Assets & Services Working Party and Christmas lights.</p> <p>Upcoming Council Meetings and Mayoral Engagements were also included within the report.</p> <p>Cllr Cockerill reported that he was pleased to see that Yorkshire Water had taken the necessary action to prevent the leaking of further water from their pipe along clifftop. The leaking pipe had been identified as a contributing factor in undermining of the land in Queen Street Gardens. The cost of restoring the Gardens so that they could be re-opened to the public was considerable, and so he proposed</p>



135/20/21.1	<p>that the Town Council enter dialogue with other interested parties, Yorkshire Water regarding potential compensation and North Yorkshire County Council as their footpath continued to slump. Hopefully working in partnership would enable the Council to fund the safety work and subsequent restoration required to re-open the gardens. This proposal was seconded by Cllr Howgate and following a vote the resolution was passed.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the Town Council enter dialogue with Yorkshire Water regarding possible compensation and also North Yorkshire County Council to enable the Council to restore Queen Street Gardens.</p>
Council business items – Procedural Items	
136/20/21	<p>Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 10 February 2021.</p> <p>Cllr Haxby proposed, seconded by Cllr Cronk, that Council resolve to approve them as a true and accurate record of the meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Council resolved to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.</p>
137/20/21	<p>Minutes of Committee Meetings Minutes of meetings:</p> <p>Planning Committee – 8th February 2021 Cllr Robinson proposed, seconded by Cllr Randall that the minutes be noted by Council</p> <p>RESOLVED: Council resolved to note the minutes</p> <p>Staffing Committee – 26th February 2021 Cllr Robinson proposed, seconded by Cllr Randall that the minutes be noted by Council</p> <p>RESOLVED: Council resolved to note the minutes</p> <p>Events & Lighting Committee – 2nd February 2021 Cllr Robinson proposed, seconded by Cllr Randall that the minutes be noted by Council</p> <p>Cllr Randall enquired when the Events & Lighting Committee and Town Map and Guide Committee would merge, as AGREED at the recent Strategic Planning Committee Meeting. The Town Clerk advised that the merger would be finalised at the next Annual Meeting in May</p> <p>RESOLVED: Council resolved to note the minutes</p>
137/20/21.3	<p>RESOLVED: Council resolved to note the minutes</p>



	<p>Councillor Parkin provided an update on a recent meeting of the Filey Bay 1779 Group. The Group submitted an expression of interest in the Former Scout Hut Building, and James Hodgson from the group would be attending the April meeting of Council to provide Members with more information on the project.</p>
<p>138/20/21</p>	<p>Schedule of Payments Cllr Howgate proposed, seconded by Cllr Cronk that the Council approve the schedule of payments from the general fund for the period 4th February 2021 to 3rd March 2021, a total of £14,903.08 of expenditure.</p>
<p>138/20/21.1</p>	<p>RESOLVED: Council supported the proposal and the schedule of payments from the general fund for the period 4th January 2021 to 3rd March 2021, a total of £14,903.08 of expenditure was approved.</p>
<p>139/20/21</p>	<p>Covid Vaccination Cllr Howgate proposed that Filey Town Council support the guidelines given by the Government regarding the Covid Vaccination.</p> <p>This proposal was seconded by Cllr Cockerill and following a vote the resolution was passed.</p>
<p>139/20/21.1</p>	<p>RESOLVED: That Filey Town Council supports the Government's Guidance and recommends that the people of Filey take part in the Covid Vaccination programme.</p>
<p>140/20/21</p>	<p>Dog Campaign Members were asked to conder the request from Scarborough Borough Council to install high impact floor markings on the pavement to encourage responsible dog ownership. It was proposed to install three of the floor markings at locations around Glen Gardens to remind people to keep their dogs on a lead, and one on Coble Landing and one at the bottom of Cargate Hill to advise about taking dogs on the beach.</p> <p>A discussion followed and Members supported this proposal and suggested that it could be extended to include the entrances to Crescent Gardens and the residential areas of Filey. The installation of more dog bins was also suggested.</p> <p>The Clerk advised that he was in discussions with Scarborough Borough Council regarding the Town Council employing their own Dog Warden directly with the Borough Council potential providing legal support for any prosecutions.</p>
<p>141/20/21</p>	<p>Lifeboat Council were asked to consider the future of the current Lifeboat after its retirement from service. Cllr Wilkie advised that he had been in</p>



	<p>discussions with a local group who wished to acquire the old lifeboat and have it sited in the Cobble Landing vicinity as a memorial to the town's lifeboat heritage. The group wished to know if the Council would support this suggestion in principle.</p> <p>Following a detailed discussion Cllr Wilkie proposed that the Town Council support the idea in principle of acquiring the former lifeboat and siting it in the Cobble Landing area as a memorial to the town's lifeboat heritage. This proposal was seconded by Cllr Cockerill.</p> <p>A vote followed and the proposal was lost.</p>
142/20/21	<p>Filey Playing Fields Association</p> <p>Councillor Howgate advised that Filey Playing Fields Association wished to install a modern synthetic pitch at the ground and were to apply to Scarborough Borough Council to obtain some of the Sports Related Grant Funding which was currently available.</p> <p>Councillor Howgate proposed that Filey Town Council support Filey Playing Fields Association in their bid. This proposal was seconded by Cllr Cockerill and following a discussion in which members were widely in favour of the proposal and a subsequent vote a resolution was made.</p>
142/20/21.1	<p>RESOLVED: That Filey Town Council support the application made by Filey Playing Fields Association to Scarborough Borough Council for Sports Grant Funding.</p>
143/20/21	<p>Filey Sports Club</p> <p>Council were asked to consider a request from Filey Sports Club to support their committee/management team as the current secretary was planning to retire in the near future.</p> <p>Cllr Wilkie was a director of the Club and advised that they were currently looking to recruit new members to their board of directors.</p> <p>He also suggested that in the future Filey Town Council may wish to consider taking on a much bigger role with the management of the club.</p> <p>A discussion followed and Cllr Howgate proposed that the Sport Club could use the Council's newsletter and website for advertising to assist with the recruitment of new directors, this proposal was seconded by Cllr Robinson. A vote followed.</p>
143/20/21.1	<p>RESOLVED: That Filey Town Council assist the Sports Club with the recruitment of new volunteer directors by advertising in the Council's newsletter and on the Council's website.</p>

