



Yarm Town Council
Town Hall
High Street
Yarm
TS15 9AH

Minutes of the Weigh and Tolls Meeting Thursday 12 November 2019 at 7pm

In Attendance:

Cllr A Gallafant (Chair)	Cllr C Johnson
Cllr C Walker (Vice Chair)	Cllr A Moffitt
Cllr P Smailes (Proper Officer)	Cllr P Morton
Cllr P Addison	Cllr P Monck
Cllr J Coulson	Cllr M Simpson
Cllr J Hadlow (part)	

Cllr Gallafant welcomed Cllrs Coulson, Moffitt, Morton and Simpson onto Yarm Town Council. Cllr Walker provided a statement on the use of social media by Councillors and the importance of using social media positively to portray the image of a united council

Cllr Gallafant offered thanks to the Yarm Knitting Group and Cllr Smailes for the display of poppies in and around the High Street – Cllr Smailes to communicate this to the two groups involved

Cllr Johnson commented that the Remembrance Day Service went very well and offered thanks to Cllr Monck on behalf of all Councillors. Cllr Monck requested that additional thanks be issued to Yarm School for the provision of a bugler (actioned by Cllr Smailes)

1.0 **Apologies for Absence:** none received

2.0 **Code of Conduct**

Declarations of Interest: no items declared

Code of Conduct – Requests for Dispensation: no items requested

3.0 **Confirmation of Minutes:** the minutes of the previous Weigh and Tolls Meeting, held on Tuesday 8 October 2019, were accepted and signed by the Chair

4.0 **Matters Arising:** no items noted

5.0 **Finance:** Cllr Addison provided feedback from external auditors. Cllr Addison advised that the next audit would be the annual review rather than a six monthly interim

Councillors agreed to the payment of all outstanding and delayed invoices

6.0 **Town Hall – Heritage Lottery Bid:** Cllr Monck advised that a survey was being delivered by STO to gather views from residents on the provision of a Heritage Centre. Cllr Monck added that feedback would be analysed once the survey had closed

7.0 **Meeting with Showmen’s Guild and Ward Councillors:** Cllr Monck advised that a meeting would be arranged with various parties (including ISAG, the Showmen’s Guild, Ward Councillors and Glen Layfield) to discuss/debrief on Yarm Fair – **to be progressed by Cllrs Monck and Gallafant**

8.0 **Items for Information/Consideration**

- Tree Survey
- Headstone Survey
- Removal of ivy from the Parish Church
- Provision of a key safe for The town Hall

The next Weigh and Tolls Meeting to be held at 7pm on Thursday 10 December 2019 in the Fellowship Hall, West Street Yarm

Cllr Gallafant declared the meeting closed at 7:12pm

Cllr Gallafant

Cllr C Walker