

**Todmorden Pride  
Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 6:30pm. Old Hall, Todmorden**

**Present:** James Gregory Chair  
 Malcolm Birkett Treasurer  
 Alan Fiddling  
 David Storah  
 Simon Brearly  
 Chris Edwards  
 Elizabeth Truscott  
 Janet Battye  
 Alan Darwin  
 Chris Edwards  
 Clare Townley  
 Sheila Greenwood  
 Cynthia Murray  
 Dorothy Jordon  
 Francis Boocock  
 Dave Blenky  
 Lynn Midwinter  
 Mary Clear  
 Louise Castro  
 Anita Howard Alan Todd  
 Jonathon Turner Donaldson  
 Lindsey Smails

**Apologies:** Margaretta Holmstedt  
 Sheila Tordoff  
 Peter Cockroft  
 Anne Lee  
 Tony Mullin

Chair: James Gregory Minute Taker: Louise Castro

	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>38/03/07</b>	<b>Welcome and Apologies</b>	
	James welcomed everyone to the meeting, with additional acknowledgment and thanks to Chris Edwards, Dave Blenky, Anita Howard, Jonathon Turner and Lindsey Smails	
<b>39/03/07</b>	<b>Minutes of the last meeting</b>	
	Proposed Alan Fiddling, with amendments: Janet Battye was present at February's meeting Seconded Janet	AF JB
<b>40/03/07</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>	
	There were no matters arising	

<b>41/03/07</b>	<b>Declaration of Any Other Business</b>	
	No declaration of AOB was made	
<b>42/03/07</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	
	There was no correspondence.	
<b>43/03/07</b>	<b>Financial Matters – Malcolm Birkett</b>	
	<p>Todmorden Pride has two accounts, one in the name of “Delegated Fund” and one in the name of “Tourism”. Malcolm proposed the “Delegated Fund” account is closed and the remainder balance of £4851.73 is transferred to “Tourism” account.</p> <p>Proposed: Alan Seconded: Simon</p> <p>The Statement of Financial Activity, year ended 31 March 2006</p> <p>Proposed: Claire Seconded: Janet</p> <p>Approved by the Committee and signed by James.</p> <p>Malcolm requested the Committee consider becoming a Company Ltd by Guarantee and Registered Charity and discuss as an agenda item at the next meeting.</p>	<p>MB</p> <p>AF SB</p> <p>CT JB</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p>
<b>44/03/07</b>	<b>Bramsche Square Consultation</b>	
	<p>Lindsey – The Bramsche Square Consultation is a process of engaging with key stakeholders and the community. The three key stakeholders that are/have attended consultations are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Todmorden Pride – the Town Team and effectively the main client</li> <li>➤ Todmorden Town Council</li> <li>➤ Business Community in and around Bramsche Square, including the Market Traders</li> </ul> <p>On 21<sup>st</sup> April an open meeting in Todmorden Town Hall to present development options for the site.</p> <p>It is expected that a development brief for the future of Bramsche Square will be produced by end of May.</p> <p>Donaldson – Commercial Estate Agents advised the Committee that the area does not feel like a civic space and does not have many facades to make it feel any better within the consultation area.</p> <p>The Committee split into two groups and the following conclusions, reached at the end of the meeting, are to be taken into consideration before any options are published.</p>	

	<p>Group A: A clear message came out of this group:</p> <p>Tipside is vital to the regeneration of the Square and Market and has to be made into an area for car parking with a bridge for access. Move some of the outdoor market stalls to create a vista to the entrance to the indoor market and face them onto Bramsche Square – these could eventually become prime stalls. Halifax Road – incorporate retail development opportunities. Town Hall – a building of historic interest needs to have a pedestrian area along side it, the street along One Stop. Knock down the Post Office building and open up the whole space up to create a vista from the Square. New building should be built at the back of the square and the PCT building knocked down.</p> <p>Group B: Tipside was also considered vital to any future use of Bramsche Square. Could be used as a car park for drivers with access issues, all other parking should be moved elsewhere. The streets around one stop pedestrianised. Bramsche Square should be as big as possible – pull down all the buildings around it. The Health Centre should be knocked down and any building replacing it should be moved further back. Vista along edge of market add access and additional entrance to the indoor market. Rear of facades should turn in and face the square – double fronting the shops could provide this. Extend market Hall with double fronted units – small retail incubators on edge of market could be built.</p> <p>James thanked Anita, Lindsey and Jonathon for attending the meeting.</p>	
45/03/07	<b>Walsden Development Plan Update</b>	
	<p>Alan – Cleaning has now been completed, painting and landscaping at Riggs is soon to be started. Alan and Louise had a meeting with Dave Tee and Graham Dendle from CMBC Highways Department. Almost everything that was asked from them they will either do or are considering. As a gesture, and as a means of freeing up some capital to upgrade the replacement railings and bollards and move the control box in the square, the committee were asked if Walsden could give £5000.00 from the RTF fund towards the costs.</p> <p>Proposed: Alan Darwin Seconded: David Storah Agreed: All</p>	AD DS All

	<p>The money for the work that CMBC Highways are spending in Walsden can be used as a match to draw down additional funding for other projects in the area.</p> <p>James thanked Dave Tee for his continued management contribution to the project as without him the work would not be going ahead, and certainly not to the upgraded standard he has proposed.</p>	
<b>46/03/07</b>	<b>Todmorden Development Plan Update – Alan Fiddling</b>	
	<p>Photographs have been taken of grot spots from Portsmouth to Eastwood. One of the major areas will be to clarify land ownership. Louise and Alan to liaise to produce a brief replicating the Walsden Brief and present at next meeting. If two other Board members are interested in joining Alan to begin implementation of the brief then please sign up!</p>	AF/LC
<b>47/03/07</b>	<b>Upper Calder Valley Renaissance – Chris Edwards</b>	
	<p>There is to be an Upper Calder Valley Renaissance event in the summer, the Board need more details so they can decide what Todmorden Pride need to get out of the day.</p> <p>Chris and Louise will attend the next UCVR meeting and report back.</p>	
<b>48/03/07</b>	<b>Conservation Area Review – Louise Castro</b>	
	<p>Kate Peach is the new Calderdale Council Principal Planning Officer for conservation areas. It is planned to have a consultation event in the early summer.</p> <p>Kate will be coming to the next meeting.</p>	
<b>49/03/07</b>	<b>Open Meeting</b>	
	<p>An open meeting and AGM should take place in May - date to be decided at the next meeting.</p> <p>It is suggested that the Town Hall is the only suitable venue as the Fielden Centre is booked on a Thursday.</p>	
<b>50/03/07</b>	<b>Date and Time of Next Meeting</b>	
	<p>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 18:30 Todmorden Old Hall</p>	