

## Minutes of the Meeting

Thursday, 14th April 2011

Golden Lion, Todmorden

**Present:** James Gregory, Gillian Connolly, Simon Brearley, Shaun Murray, Anne Holdsworth, Marianne Sutcliffe, Cllr Janet Battye, Cllr Anne James, Ivor Dibble, Cynthia Murray, Helen King, Doug Blenkey, Fran Jones, Alan Jones, Gary Davies, Shaun Murray, Helena Cook, Mary Clear, Pam Warhurst, Malcolm Birkett.

Minute	Discussion	Action
1/04/11	<b>Welcome</b> The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, including visitors Fran & Alan James and Gary Davies; also Helen King for Todmorden Town Council, Marianne Sutcliffe for Todmorden in Bloom, Helena Cook and Pam Warhurst, Incredible Edible Todmorden.	
2/04/11	<b>Apologies for absence</b> Anne James, David Storah, Lynne Midwinter	
3/04/11	<b>Minutes of the last meeting</b> Minutes of the meeting held on 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2011 & the notes on the ordinary meeting to discuss ongoing projects, which followed the AGM on 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2011 were agreed as a true record.	
4/04/11	<b>Matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere</b> Following the approval of amendments to the Constitution at the AGM, the Chairman signed the newly adopted Constitution.	
5/04/11	<b>Declaration of Any Other Business</b> None	
6/04/11	<b>Current Projects</b>	

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6.1/04/11	<p><b>Lever Street Project</b></p> <p>Anne Holdsworth reported that the contractors had been on site approx 3 weeks and the job was on programme. Setts relayed adjacent to Bridge, wall height unified &amp; opening created at Oxford St. Sub-base for towpath laid, tarmac expected tomorrow (15th).</p> <p>Old information board has been removed from Lever St area &amp; suggestions required for resiting. Fielden Wharf was suggested. Cllr Anne James to have matter discussed at TTC Amenities Committee.</p> <p>Tod in Bloom &amp; IET involved in the scheme and looking forward to the opportunities it provides. Tod in Bloom agreed to carry out seeding of verge. AH/MS to liaise.</p> <p>James G raised the issue of cleaning the cottages adjacent to the lock at Lever St end of works. Whilst he will retain pressure on owners to get the work done, he's not confident about the outcome. Asked the meeting to consider possible funding by TP for decision at next meeting. Precedent set for using 'public' money on private property at Der St.</p>	<p>AJ</p> <p>AH/MS</p> <p>ALL</p>
7/04/11	<p><b>Supermarkets</b></p>	
7.1/04/11	<p><b>Asda/Netto</b></p> <p>In depth discussion about maximizing financial contribution from developers for some 'public realm' works. James G has informal agreement to get relocation of John Fielden statue funded and didn't want things leaving 'up in the air.' Others were concerned to ensure that the maximum contribution was secured. Pam Warhurst suggested an integrated approach of all parties – maybe via a small committee – and is to investigate &amp; report back at next meeting</p>	<p>PW</p>
7.2/04/11	<p><b>Sainsburys</b></p> <p>Simon Brearley &amp; Ivor Dibble to produce a memo &amp; plan showing an alternative use for the former Stannard site. Simon B already has a client interested in developing a marina and Ivor D will produce a plan outlining the proposal.</p> <p>The meeting welcomed this initiative and felt strongly that it should be produced quickly. Also it was agreed that any costs required in the production of this alternative would be met by Todmorden Pride.</p> <p>There was a rumour in the town that Sainsburys had paid for the property cleaning at Der St.. Mary Clear to issue a press release underlining the fact the Calderdale had funded the work.</p>	<p>SB/ID</p> <p>MC</p>

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8/04/11	<p><b>Green Route</b></p> <p>Pam Warhurst reported positive noises from the Lottery Board on progression of the application to the next stage. Also stated that now has an artist (Andy Plant) on board. IET has put some money into the pot &amp; had some work done at the station. A recent visit by members of Goldsmiths College helped the thought process for new ideas on the route.</p> <p>Numerous ideas including tea garden, soap garden, knowledge wall, branded brollies &amp; bags containing local shop info etc etc.</p> <p>Health Centre has agreed to move its exit to give better access through the proposed apothecaries garden.</p> <p>Still early days but everything's very positive. There is a need for a Project Manager – PW making requests (for secondment of staff) to local businesses. Next Meeting on 21st May at Central Methodists.</p>	PW
9/04/2011	<p><b>Todmorden in Bloom</b></p> <p>Marianne Sutcliffe reported on the group's involvement in the Green Route planning process with IET including bee friendly flora etc. TiB also has plans for planting on the south side of the canal adjacent to Fielden Wharf. It is intended to plant a number of Rhododendrons to enhance the work done on the opposite towpath.</p> <p>There is a meeting with the EA tomorrow to discuss the landscaping aspects of the flood alleviation works.</p>	
10/04/11	<p><b>Possible Future Projects</b></p>	
10.1/04/11	<p>Anne Holdsworth reported that a HLF bid was being formulated by Calderdale to cover improvements to the whole length of the canal in Calderdale. The bid, which is in the order of £1m, has to have the first stage submitted by early June.</p>	
10.2/04/11	<p>James G then asked each attendee in turn for their personal favoured project to improve the town:-</p> <p>James G - Gauxholme Arches</p> <p>Doug B - St Peter's Gate, Walsden</p> <p>Shaun M - Extend canal towpath improvements to Key Syke Lane</p> <p>Helena C - Walsden ??</p> <p>Mary C - Improve visitor/tourist signage in the town</p> <p>Simon B - Clean up aArea at the end of Salford Industrial Estate</p>	

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<b>10.2/04/11 (contd)</b>	<p><b>Possible Future Projects (contd)</b></p> <p>Ivor D - Town centre linkage from station using Bk North St and Princess Mary Way + a number in Cornholme</p> <p>Gillian C - Cinderhill</p> <p>Alan &amp; Fran J - Old decrepit &amp; dirty shops on North side of Burnley Rd</p> <p>Helen - Tidy up on approach roads into the town</p> <p>Anne J - Opp. Roebuck, copings stolen, car park grotty + Birks Mill</p> <p>Cynthia M - Bttm of Park Rd – Fielden Cottages &amp; derelict field/site</p> <p>Marianne S - Bus garage car park</p> <p>Anne H - Boardwalk on south side of canal as ext'n to Fielden Wharf</p> <p>Malcolm B - Walsden Infants School – reuse for benefit of community</p>	
<b>11/04/11</b>	<p><b>Dates for future meetings</b></p> <p>Malcolm tabled the dates for the Town Centre Renaissance Board and proposed the following dates for Todmorden Pride meetings in 2011:-</p> <p>Thursday 2 June 2011</p> <p>Thursday 14 July 2011</p> <p>Thursday 25 August 2011</p> <p>Thursday 6 October 2011</p> <p>Thursday 17 November 2011</p>	
<b>12/04/11</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>None</p>	
<b>12/04/11</b>	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Therefore the next meeting will be on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 6:30pm</p> <p>*****CHECK WEBSITE FOR VENUE*****</p>	