



# CHILTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting  
Held at Hutton House,  
Durham Road, Chilton on  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2008  
At 6.30 p.m.

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**Mayor:** *M. Errington*    **Deputy Mayor:** *A. Bruce*

**Present:** *Councillor's V. Collinson, Mrs M. Walton, Mrs E. Bruce, J. Lee.  
J.B. Turner, B. Jones, P. Davies, L. Potts, G. Attwood, E. Campbell*

**Apologies:**

**Clerk:** *P. Gray*

**Press:** None

**Public:** None

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18        **Mayor/Chairman Remarks**

Councillor Errington welcomed all to the meeting. Councillor Errington asked members stand for a minutes silence in memory of Councillor Jim Wayman (Sedgefield B.C.) who past away. Members observed a minute's silence.

19        **Declaration of Interest**

No member had any pecuniary interest in the agenda.

20        **Police Report**

Inspector Bentham attended the meeting and gave the police report as follows;

<b>Chilton</b>	
Dwelling House Burglary	1
Attempted House Burglary	0
Burglary Other	0
Violence Against Persons (Assault)	2
Theft of Motor Vehicle	0
Vehicle's <b>T.W.O.C</b>	0
Theft from Motor Vehicle	0
Attempted Theft from Motor Vehicle	0
Theft	2
Drug/Substances Misuse	0
Criminal Damage	10
Rowdy/Nuisance Behaviour	24
Arson	1
Hate Crime	0
<b>Number of Crimes (regarding above)</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Total Number of Incidents Reported</b>	<b>151</b>

PC Hall sent his apologies for tonight.

Inspector Bentham informed members of the actions taken by the Police February 2008. About 170 people plus attended an illegal march on Durham Road. Although the Police have received criticism about this march at the time a risk assessment was carried by the officers and it was decided it would be safer to allow the march than trying to prevent it, with the limited number of police officers available.

Inspector Bentham informed members that action will be taken against people who have organised this march and the landlord of the Wheatsheaf Public House has been warned. The inspector also placed an article in the Chapter condemning the march and that any future marches must be approved.

The clerk thanked Inspector Bentham for his assistance by sending police officers to attend the taking down of the poem and flags illegally erected on the old House & Garden shop wall. The Police presence prevented any altercation from people wanting the poem and flags to remain.

*It was **RESOLVED** to accept Inspector Bentham's report.*

### **Neighbourhood Warden – Kimberly**

Kimberly sent her apologies as she was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

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### **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of ordinary meeting held January 2008 were approved and signed as a correct record.

22            **Matters for Information**

No matters for information.

23            **Environmental Committee**

**Allotments**

Councillor Campbell informed members that the yearly rent notices will be sent out next week. There will also be allotment inspections commencing shortly. Councillor Davies also informed members that the clerk will be sending a letter to all allotment holders informing them of the problem with ever increasing water charges. The Council will monitor the situation.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept Councillors Campbell and Davies report.

**Cemetery**

Nothing to report.

**Miners Welfare Recreation Ground**

Nothing to report.

24            **Northumbria in Bloom**

The clerk informed members that the in meeting of Northumbria in Bloom will take place 9.30 a.m. 10<sup>th</sup> March 2008 at Gateshead Leisure Centre. Councillor's Attwood, Errington and Lee will attend.

**Chilton in Bloom**

Councillor Bruce informed the members that the memorial garden was practically complete other than the plaque to be erected. The clerk informed members that there is a problem with the memorial and the Council need to have half of the garden blessed by the Church of England. The clerk said he would investigate this further.

The clerk informed members that he has ordered a wooden bench for the memorial garden. The cost of bench is £680 including V.A.T

It was **RESOLVED** to accept Councillor A. Bruce and the clerks report.

25            **Public Participation 20 minutes**

No members of the public attended.

26            **Citizens Advice Bureau**

Nothing to report.

27 **Chilton Partnership**

Councillor Walton gave a report of a meeting she attended for Chilton Partnership. This meeting was informed that the chair Mrs Christine Heal had been invited to a meeting to discuss the new health surgery. Town council members felt concerned that there was no invitation for an elected member to attend this meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept Councillor Walton's report.

28 **Staff Update**

Nothing to report.

29 **SBC C.C.T.V / Town Council C.C.T.V**

Nothing to report.

30 **Public Participation (20 Minutes)**

No members of the public present.

31 **South Downs Play Area**

Nothing to report.

32 **Finance & Planning Committee**

Accept the Finance & Planning Committee Report.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the Finance & Planning Report.

33 **Accounts for Payment – Financial Report**

The following payments were **authorised**;

Cheques for Payment for January/February

		<b>Cheque No</b>	
Edmundson Electrical	Invoice	729	90.18
SBC	Invoice	730	22.06
Ashfield's	Invoice 23603	731	51.18
SBC	Walking to Health (S137)	732	200.00
4 Seasons	Air Conditioning	733	169.20
G. Myers	Windows Cleaned	734	9.50
SBC	Refuse Contract Annual	735	191.24
The Chapter	Advertising Issue 345	736	24.00
Cheque	VOID	737	0.00

C Beattie	Christmas Lights Storage	738	52.88
Speedy Hire	Safety Harness Hire	739	119.56
Ground Works	Invoice	740	167.09
Cheque	VOID	741	0.00
Turnock's Lights	Final Invoice for lights	742	705.00
Premier Traffic	Traffic management	743	211.50
SBC	Invoice 39535	744	60.47

**TOTAL EXPENDITURE = £2073.86**

Direct Debits/Standing Orders January/February 2008

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Co-Op Loan – Office Extension</b>	Loan	<b>1063.00</b>
<b>Automatic Retailing</b>	Coffee Machines	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Xerox BNP Paribas</b>	Photocopier	<b>0.00</b>
<b>B.T. Contract Rental 06063034-5</b>	System	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Northumbrian W 22497645001x</b>	Water – West Chilton all	<b>187.75</b>
<b>Northumbrian W 210036150044</b>	Water – West Chilton all	<b>39.08</b>
<b>Northumbrian W 210036150026</b>	Water – West Chilton all	<b>110.92</b>
<b>Northumbrian W 210036150017</b>	Water – Prospect Tce all	<b>165.94</b>
<b>Northumbrian W 210036150053</b>	Water – Hamilton Way all	<b>253.03</b>
<b>Northumbrian W 210249200014</b>	Water -	<b>9.87</b>
<b>Northumbrian W 308056470015</b>	Water -	<b>17.37</b>
<b>Sedgefield Borough Council 052587</b>	Rates – Hutton House	<b>73.00</b>
<b>Sedgefield Borough Council 159612</b>	Rates	<b>275.00</b>
<b>Sedgefield Borough Council 161150</b>	Rates	<b>81.00</b>
<b>HFGL Limited 528446/001</b>		<b>0.00</b>
<b>PB Purchase Power</b>	Postage	<b>177.51</b>
<b>Visa Payment</b>		<b>593.33</b>
<b>HSBC</b>	Charges	<b>44.68</b>
<b>Sedgefield Borough Council 80011618</b>	Salaries	<b>4000.00</b>
<b>Siemens 064-3104</b>	CCTV	<b>146.48</b>
<b>Siemens 064-3313</b>	CCTV	<b>940.78</b>
<b>Npower 79964403790</b>	Elect	<b>32.00</b>
<b>BT VP8319427</b>	Lines	<b>262.54</b>
<b>Npower 79159492840</b>	Elect	<b>449.34</b>
<b>Zoom CCTV</b>	CCTV maintenance	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Society of Local Council Clerk</b>	Subscription	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Npower 79123628510</b>	Elect	<b>18.92</b>
<b>Npower 79254798760</b>	Elect	<b>42.19</b>
<b>Northumbria W 210036150071</b>	Water -	<b>131.13</b>
<b>Northumbria W 210036150080</b>	Water -	<b>152.77</b>

**K.V. Grounds Maintenance**  
**British Gas 850003155463**  
**British Gas 850008664898**

Horticultural Contract                   **4837.80**  
Hutton House                               **29.00**  
Hutton House                               **129.00**

**Income received from 09th Jan '08 - 12th Feb '08**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Payment From</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Amount (£)</b>
09/01/08	White House Funeral Services	Fees Late Mr J Mc Cormick	600.00
17/01/08	Gordon Fletcher & son	Memorial fees for late Jean Tutin	300.00
25/01/08	Co-op Funeral Service	Fees Late Mrs Margret Ayre	300.00
08/02/08	Gordon Fletcher & son	Fees Late John Paul Tracy	226.00
22/01/08		Valentine's Day	20.00
23/01/08		Valentine's Day	4.00
24/01/08		Valentine's Day	36.00
25/01/08		Valentine's Day	8.00
27/01/08		Valentine's Day	108.00
28/01/08		Valentine's Day	32.00
29/01/08		Valentine's Day	8.00
04/02/08		Valentine's Day	8.00
31/01/08		Valentine's Day	8.00
04/02/08		Valentine's Day	24.00
05/02/08		Valentine's Day	12.00
06/02/08		Valentine's Day	32.00
08/02/08		Valentine's Day	40.00
11/02/08		Valentine's Day	60.00
12/02/08		Valentine's Day	24.00
09/01/08	Sedgefield Borough Council	Ref: 55003393	1445.00

**Total   3295.00**

**34                   Acceptance of Council Precept for 2008/2009**

The clerk asked members to accept the precept requirements for 2008/09 at £183,891.84

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the precept of £183,891.84.

**34                   Correspondence for Action**

- A letter was received Sedgefield Borough Council, regarding the Wheatsheaf Public House.

*It was **RESOLVED** to receive the letter.*

**35                   Correspondence for Information**

No letters for information

Meeting closed at 8.28 p.m.

**Next Town Council meeting to be held at Hutton House, Durham Road, Chilton.**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2008 at 6.30 p.m.**

***Signed as a true and correct record.....***

*Councillor Maureen Errington, Mayor*

**Date:.....**