

**RICHMOND TOWN COUNCIL MEETING of the COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE**  
**Held 7.00 p.m. 18th July 2011 in the Mayor's Parlour, Richmond Town Hall**

PRESENT: Councillors: O. Blease (Mayor)  
C. World (Chair)  
R. White (Vice-Chair)  
D. Kilvington-Mason  
A. Adams  
S. Hedges  
F. Denning

In attendance: Councillor R. Lord  
Assistant Town Clerk – Carol Ord  
Fred Wood (Civic Society)  
Paul Spencer (Round Table)  
Joyce Chaudhri (Allotments)  
Frank Stockton (Duck Club)

**C.01.07.11 Apologies:**

Councillor Robinson

**C.02.07.11 Public Open Session:**

There were no members of the public present

**C.03.07.11 Declarations of Interest:**

It was agreed that these should be dealt with as and when they arose during the meeting.

**C.04.07.11 Welcome to new Councillors:**

The Chairman welcomed Councillors Daniel Kilvington-Mason and Fiona Denning to their first Communities meeting.

**C.05.07.11 Chairman's Update:**

There was no update from the Chairman

**C.06.07.11 Town Clerk's Update:**

The Assistant Town Clerk informed members that a request had been received from the organisers of Richmond Live for use the catenary wires to advertise the forthcoming event.

Councillor Denning informed members that a Bunting Licence which is obtained from North Yorkshire County Highways Dept is required.

It was agreed that permission be given. The Chair also asked that the Town Clerk inform the organisers that they should contact NYCC Highways to obtain the appropriate licence. Members were informed that the organisation will be responsible checking they have adequate insurance cover and will need to forward a copy of their public liability insurance for the attention of the Town Clerk.

#### **C.07.07.11 Allotments Update:**

##### Results of Allotment Judging held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2011

The Chairman thanked Mrs Chaudhri for accompanying the committee on the day the allotments were judged.

##### Best Overall Allotment:

**8 Coronation Place                      Mrs C Ryan**

##### Westfields:

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Allotment 27</b>	<b>Mr and Mrs R Bassindale</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Allotment 23</b>	<b>Mrs Chaudri</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Allotment 28</b>	<b>Mrs Dawson</b>

##### Reeth Road

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Allotment 1</b>	<b>Mr P Shell</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Allotment 6A</b>	<b>Mr B Jackson</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Allotment 4B</b>	<b>Mr K Hardaker</b>

##### Coronation Place:

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Allotment 19</b>	<b>Mr J Young</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Allotment 20</b>	<b>Mr E Butcher</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Allotment 13</b>	<b>Mr R Holmes</b>

##### Most Improved Allotment:

**24A    Westfields                      Mr A Stidolph**

***The Overall Winner will receive the Silver Rose Bowl and the Most Improved Allotment holder will receive the Rowntree Shield to hold for one year. Prizes will be in the form of garden vouchers and will be presented at the First Fruits Ceremony on Saturday 10th September 2011 at 10.30 a.m. at Trinity Church Curtilage, Market Place.***

Mrs Chaudhri informed members that Richmondshire District Council pest control had removed a wasp's nest on the Westfield site which she had previously reported to the Town Clerk.

Councillor Curran forwarded some information the National Society of Allotments & Leisure which may be useful in the event of the council acquiring more allotments. Copies will be forwarded to the relevant councillors.

**C.08.07.11 Floral Decorations Update:**

Councillor Kilvington-Mason expressed an interest in helping with Allotments and Floral Decorations events. Councillor Denning was also appointed to assist with Floral Decorations matters. The Chairman thanked both members.

The Chair stated that he was very pleased with the floral displays around the town and stated that there had only been one recorded incident of vandalism.

**C.09.07.11 Fireworks Update:**

The Assistant Town Clerk informed members that permission had been obtained from English Heritage to hold the annual Fireworks event in Richmond Castle grounds. The Chair asked the Town Clerk to liaise with Councillor McGarry to arrange a Fireworks Committee meeting.

**C.09.07.11 Christmas Lights:**

It was agreed that a meeting with Councillors Adams and Hedges, Mr Stockton, Mr Spencer and AMH Electrics, be arranged.

Mr Stockton informed councillors that Dan Osborne and Sarah Sanderson had been nominated to switch on the Christmas Lights this year. The youngsters had been nominated because of their sporting achievements.

**C.10.07.11 Civic Events:**

Boundary Riding

Councillors were informed that a meeting is to be scheduled for next week.

Civic Sunday

Members were reminded that the event takes place on Sunday (24<sup>th</sup> July) and guests should meet at the Town Hall at 5.00 p.m.

Remembrance Day

Councillor White asked members to consider some proposed changes to the day in particular the laying of wreaths, however, no firm decisions were made at this stage. He asked that the Town Clerk make contact with the 'Pipes and Drums' and arrange a meeting during September with Military personnel. Councillor

White stated that he would make contact with RDC to see if anything could be done about the paths as they had been particularly slippery last year.

Concerns were also raised about the large number of people in the Town Hall last year. The Assistant Town Clerk informed members that the regulations governing numbers were taken into consideration when inviting organisations to attend Civic functions.

**C.11.07.11 Community Events and Activities:**

Duck Club

Mr Stockton informed the committee that the Duck Club will be holding a Sports Day on August Bank Holiday Monday and it was also hoped that arrangements could be made to hold another Halloween Party in the Town Hall.

Cycling Club

The Chair informed members that the recent cycling event had proved to be very successful and the Grand Prix event will take place shortly. Councillor World stated that the cycling events provide excellent publicity for the town as they feature on Euro sports and it is also hoped that the Tour de France would be staged in the area in the next few years.

**C.12.07.11 Publicity:**

Councillor White informed members that the Royal British Legion will hold a 'Proms in the Park' event in Temple Gardens on 28<sup>th</sup> July next year and it was envisaged that a Festival of Remembrance Concert would also be organised providing military personnel were available.

Councillor Denning informed members that after due consideration she would be willing to help with the organisation for Fireworks.

The next Meeting of the Communities Committee will be held on **19<sup>th</sup> September** 2011 at 7.00 p.m.

The Meeting finished at 7.36p.m.