

Minutes of the Extraordinary Market Committee meeting,

Held on Monday 5th July 2021, at 5.30pm in the Town Hall, Skipton

Present: Councillor A Hickman, Councillor P Madeley (Chairman), Councillor J Dawson, Councillor G Bell, Councillor D Shaw & Councillor C Nash
A Horner, M Howard & M Saghir Trade Reps
Mrs L Close – Chief Officer
Mrs H Marshall – Finance Manager

2122/011 Item 1 – Chairman’s Remarks

Cllr Madeley welcomed everyone to the meeting and confirmed that this was an important meeting to hold, to review the data received and to plan and agree the way forward.

2122/012 Item 2 - Apologies for Absence

Councillor Painter

2122/013 Item 3 – Disclosures of Interest

None received

2122/014 Item 4 – Dispensations

None requested.

2122/015 Item 5 – Representations from public

A member of the public advised that they were pleased to see a significant response to the survey carried out and that the majority of the responses were positive.

'In order to minimise the impact of the loss of the X84 bus service to/from Skipton - Leeds, which served passengers on the Regent Estate and Harrogate Road, I propose an additional bus service during the closure of High Street to vehicular traffic on Market Days.

I suggest a circular anti-clockwise shuttle service like the Skipton to Embsay, Horse Close and Carleton services, from the Cenotaph - The Bailey - Harrogate Road -A65/A59 Northern Bypass - Grassington Road - Raikes Road - Mill Bridge. The service could be provided by an NYCC vehicle, between the morning and afternoon School runs. This small vehicle could be parked at the Cenotaph - on the hatched area at the front of the Church - before each hourly journey. I also support discussions with interested parties including NYCC Highways - including Civil Parking Enforcement, NY Police, Business Improvement District, Chamber of Trade, Holy Trinity Parish Church, and Craven District Council (who initially submitted the request to close High Street!), to provide this service."

2122/016 Item 6 – Minutes

Proposed by Councillor P Madeley

Seconded by Councillor J Dawson

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 9th June be a true and accurate record. *(unanimous)*

2122/017 Item 7 – Market Survey Proposal

Many comments were received in favour of the survey. The Market Manager advised that from an operational point of view it was at times challenging.

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All points of view were discussed from the support of being carbon neutral to stalls opening both side to trade, traffic congestion, support of BID, seasonal closure, and the timing of the current closure.

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Item 8 – Actions

Proposed by Councillor P Madeley

Seconded by Councillor D Shaw

RESOLVED that this committee takes the necessary actions, including further discussions with all relevant stakeholders, further exploring of the financial status, to move to the application for a road closure order. *(unanimous)*

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Item 9 – Budget

The budget and accounting records for the Market were discussed.

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Item 10 – Market Employment

Councillor Madeley advised that a lot of work was needed for this project, and we needed to employ somebody on a part time basis with the skills needed for a 6-month period.

Councillor Dawson confirmed that he had a contact at Craven College which would be worth speaking to.

Councillor Nash confirmed she was unsure as to what the project manager needed to do.

Councillor Madeley confirmed that the project was to look at the future of the market, all health and safety issues and the support for the traders.

Proposed by Councillor J Dawson

Seconded by Councillor C Nash

RESOLVED that the Chief Officer would look at the options available including HAZ, employment budget, Craven College contact and the proposals needed. *(unanimous)*

The meeting closed at 19.12pm

Date of next meeting – Wednesday 11th August 2021