

BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING HELD in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, BAYSGARTH
HOUSE, BARTON, on WEDNESDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2016 COMMENCING at 7.00 p.m.

Present Councillor A Todd (Chairman)

Councillors F Coulsey, N Jacques, A Lamyman, Mrs J Oxley, Mr J Oxley, N Pinchbeck, J Sanderson, Mrs C Thornton, P Thornton, C Ulliott, J P Vickers, Ms J Warton, I Welch, Mrs W Witter and D Yellowley.

Also Present Ms S Richards (Town Clerk).

153. **The Town Prayer**

It was agreed and

Resolved that Councillor C Ulliott read out the Town Prayer.

154. **Notice of Meeting**

It was noted that Notice of this Meeting had been given in accordance with Schedule 12 Paragraph 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

155. **Apologies for Absence**

Councillor Mrs A Clark (holiday), J Evison (work), Mrs S Evison (personal commitments), Mrs J Mason (holiday), Mrs D Pearson (unwell) and K Vickers (holiday)

156. **Declarations of Interest**

Barton Lions – Councillor Mrs J Oxley (Personal Interest)
Barton Lions & Barton Senior Alliance – Councillor Mr J Oxley (Personal Interest)
Accounts (149) – Councillor A Todd (Personal Interest)
CHAMP Ltd – Councillor J P Vickers (Personal Interest)
Barton Chamber of Trade – Councillor Ms J Warton (Personal Interest)

157. **Police and Neighbourhood Action Team**

Councillor J P Vickers gave report. An uninsured driver and his vehicle in the town have been removed from the road. No other matters were reported.

Resolved this be noted.

158. **Minutes**

(a) **Ordinary Meeting of the Council – 5 October 2016**

Resolved that the previously circulated minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 5 October 2016, be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

159. **Matters of Report Arising**

(a) **Remembrance Sunday Parade** (*Min Ref: 134(b)/55 – BTC 05/10/16*)

Councillor P Thornton gave report that North Lincolnshire Council had undertaken some remedial repairs to the parade route along the highway. He felt that this was encouraging to know the findings of the town council had been noted and acted upon.

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(b) **Development Site R/O 13 Queen Street** (*Min Ref: 137(6)/56 – BTC 05/10.16*)

Councillor N Jacques commented that the developer that had taken over this site had indeed tidied it up and made it safe. He felt this was an encouraging and successful start to progressing the site.

160. **Other Meeting Minutes**

(a) **Minutes of a Personnel Committee Meeting**

(See minute reference 169(a)(1)/69 below)

(b) **Minutes of a Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting**

1) **Correct Record**

Resolved that the circulated Minutes of a Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 17 October 2016 be approved as a correct record and the revised Financial Regulations adopted.

(c) **Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting**

2) **Correct Record**

Resolved that the circulated Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on 24 October 2016 be approved as a correct record.

161. **Matters of Report Arising**

No matters reported.

162. **Correspondence**

1. Receipt of latest copy of the Highway Programme of Works for the area from North Lincolnshire Council.
2. Suggestion from Barton Rotary Club to replace the bricks around the War Memorial with asphalt as the cracks between the bricks are a “haven for weeds”. Weedkiller leaves dead plants which still need to be removed.
3. Notification from Natural England to allow new seats along the Humber Bank, at previously agreed locations. The work must be undertaken within their advised conditions, which expires after one year and the process must start again (*all interested sponsors have been contacted with final cost details and requested to complete application form if still interested in sponsorship. The seat contractor and Tim Allen from North Lincolnshire Council will meet on site to discuss installation procedure*).
4. Price for plaques on seats mentioned in item 3. above have been received at £15 per plaque per seat (*this price has been included in final cost for sponsorship*).
5. Four replies received to date from seat sponsors, 1 does not wish to proceed, 1 has given verbal approval, 1 will advise following the groups next meeting, 1 has returned sponsor form and paid in full (*it has been suggested to install 4 seats as soon as possible to allow other interested potential sponsors to see the seat insitu*) (*Min Ref:- 91(c)/36 – EC 15/8/16*).
6. Permission for installation of Christmas Lighting in the town centre has been received from North Lincolnshire Council Highway and Lighting Department (*Min Ref: 318(iii)/134 – BTC 6/4/16*).
7. Notification from North Lincolnshire Council Democratic Services of Standards refresher training on 23 November at 3pm and 30 November at 5pm at the Civic Centre in Scunthorpe. For all Clerks and Chairmen of town/parish councils to attend.

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8. Notification of Barton School Councils' Forum next meeting on Wednesday 9 November 2016 at 1.45pm in Baysgarth School and will include a tour of the new school building.
9. Receipt of further information from Barton Town Cricket Club for their grant application (*Min Ref: 107(6)(iv)/43 – F&GP 17/10/16*).
10. Receipt of Annual report on St Mary's Church Clock which was found to be in good order. The annual service for 2017 will increase slightly from £188.70 to £192.80.
11. Notification that 3 Barton projects are in the running for this year's AVIVA funding awards. Friends of Baysgarth Park, Barton Carnival and Barton Lantern Parade (ST-ART). There are 300 awards of £1000 that will go to the projects with the most votes. Individuals can register on the AVIVA website and get 10 votes details on <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/acfcms/get-involved#browseProjects>.
12. Notification from North Lincolnshire Council Economic Development that they are supporting Small Business Saturday 3 December 2016 and encouraging businesses to get involved and are running a competition for small retail businesses to participate. Details on www.smallbusinesssaturday.org.uk.
13. New planter on Far Ings Road to be delivered within 3 weeks to our contractor Andrew Robinson who will install it first week in November. If it arrives after the first week installation will have to be after Andrew's pending operation (*Min Ref: 137(16)(iii)/57 – BTC 05/10/16*).
14. Notice of VANL AGM on 10 November 2016 at Westcliffe Community Centre, Scunthorpe at 10am.

Resolved

- (i) following debate with mixed views about whether or not bricks or asphalt would be suitable to the location, it was agreed to refer this matter to the Environment Committee for decision. An agenda item to be placed for the 21 November 2016 meeting of the Environment Committee (*item 2*);
- (ii) following discussion and a vote taken with 6 members in favour, it was agreed to place an agenda item at the 16 January 2017 meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting to discuss the possibility of the town council using some of its' reserve budget to finance the remaining seats if no further sponsors come forward. Councillor J P Vickers wished to thank Mr T Allen of North Lincolnshire Council and also the Deputy Town Clerk for all of the hard work put into this project to ensure continuation and permissions being granted to the town council (*items 3,4 and 5*);
- (iii) Councillor J P Vickers gave report and encouraged everyone to support the funding awards. He concluded that he had already alerted several groups and individuals about this (*item 11*);
- (iv) Councillor Ms J Warton reported that she had informed members of the Barton Chamber of Trade about this (*item 12*);
- (v) Councillor N Jacques reported this had been installed today and felt the planter needed one either side of it to make it look effective. He also reported that the grass needed to be strimmed around the new planter. North Lincolnshire Council Neighbourhood Services to be alerted to this (*item 13*);
- (vi) that the remaining correspondence be received and the contents noted.

163. Correspondence Received Since Issue of the Agenda

1. Receipt of Legal Notice for Remembrance Road Closures on Sunday 13 November 2016 which need to be erected on lighting columns in each road, on or before the date of the Parade (*Min Ref: 110(i)/44 – BTC 07/09/16*).
2. Receipt of Barton Area Food Bank update for November 2016 (*copy available from the council office*).
3. Notification that North Lincolnshire Council has received a nomination as an Asset of Community Value under the Community Right to Bid initiative for The Volunteer Arms Public House on Whitecross Street, Barton. Information on the Community Right To Bid is available at www.northlincs.gov.uk under Community Advice and Support – Community Rights, Funding and Grants section.
4. Information received from Cllr Mrs D Pearson regarding historical issues of Green Lane, Barton.

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Resolved

(i) that the correspondence be received and the contents noted.

164. **Accounts for Payment**

Resolved

(i) that the Clerk be authorised to pay the accounts as listed in Appendix II in the sum of £4,275.40 (A/cs 131 to 141) and those presented at the meeting in the sum of £7,115.33 (A/cs 142 to 150) - a grand total of £11,390.73;

(ii) petty cash expenses for October 2016 are £90.16;

(iii) the balanced bank reconciliation sheets for September 2016 were signed by the Mayor and Town Clerk.

165. **Annual Review of The Assembly Rooms Leaseholder** (*Min Ref: 80(c)(iii)/31 – F&GP 25/07/16*)

This issue was discussed, agreed and

Resolved that Councillors Mrs J Oxley, I Welch, Mrs W Witter and D Yellowley undertake the annual review with the leaseholder as soon as possible.

166. **Reports from North Lincolnshire Council Representatives**

(a) **Councillor J P Vickers**

A report of the current position for the 'top field' outline planning application was given. Concern regarding highway issues and drainage was noted, a meeting with local MP Martin Vickers had taken place, public comments and a petition were being addressed and further information is being sought. He concluded that the ward members felt they were doing all they could to address this matter and that it was important for everyone to work together to achieve a positive outcome for the good of the town and not using it as a 'political football'.

Thanks were given to Councillor Mrs C Thornton for raising the possibility of locating gum drop bins in the town. This is being looked into regarding the following - Conservation Area issues regarding the pink bins, consultation, the Schools Forum and possible location of bins (outside schools) etc. Councillor Mrs C Thornton gave thanks to Councillor Vickers for looking into this. She reported that she had been contacted by one of the local radio stations yesterday to discuss gum drop bins.

167. **Reports from Members on Outside Organisations**

(a) **Barton Senior Alliance**

Councillor Mrs W Witter thanked the town council for putting forward the suggestions the group had made to North Lincolnshire Council for their consideration.

(b) **Planning Application PA/2016/1490**

Councillor Mrs W Witter stated that she had personally put objections forward to the local planning authority as an individual, not as a member of the town council. Also, the local plan would be annually reviewed shortly by the planning committee.

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(c) **Barton Lions Town Bonfire & Firework Display**

Councillor Mr J Oxley gave details of the bonfire and firework display to be held in the town on Saturday 5 November, kindly sponsored by the town council. Everyone welcome to attend.

(d) **Councillor A Todd**

Councillor A Todd reported the next community regeneration meeting will be held on 12 December and the Christmas Festival will be held on 26 November. He also reminded all councillors of the Remembrance Day Service and Parade to be held on 13 November 2016.

(e) **A Christmas Carol**

Councillor A Lamyman reported that he and Councillor J Evison will be appearing in a production of the Charles Dickens 'A Christmas Carol' to be held in the Joseph Wright Hall, early December. As such, they will not be available to attend the 7 December town council meeting.

168. **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

Resolved that in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded from this meeting because publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the following business, concerning personnel and contractual matters, and arising out of the business to be transacted.