

BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING HELD in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, BAYSGARTH
HOUSE, BARTON, on WEDNESDAY 2 JANUARY 2019 COMMENCING at 7.00 p.m.

Present Councillor N Pinchbeck (Chairman)

Councillors Mrs A Clark, F Coulsey, J Evison, Mrs S Evison, N Jacques, Mrs J Mason, Mrs J Oxley, Mr J Oxley, Mr J Sanderson, Mrs P Sanderson, Mrs C Thornton, B Troop, J P Vickers, K Vickers, Ms J Warton and Mrs W Witter.

Also present Captain A Bawden (Salvation Army) and Ms S Richards (Town Clerk).

224. **The Town Prayer**

It was agreed and

Resolved that Captain A Bawden read out the Town Prayer. He then left the meeting.

225. **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.

226. **Apologies for Absence**

Councillors Mrs D Pearson (unwell), A Todd and C Ulliott (work commitments)

227. **Declarations of Interest**

Accounts (190 & 196) – Councillor N Pinchbeck (Personal Interest)

Barton Lions Club – Councillor Mrs J Oxley (Personal Interest)

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Barton Carnival – Councillors B Troop (Personal Interest)

Barton Tourism Group – Councillor J P Vickers (Personal Interest)

228. **Rescission Notice**

A Rescission Notice had been received to re-open for discussion the following minute reference numbers: (*minute reference: 162(d)/66 – F&GP 29/10/18 and minute reference: 176(a)/74 – BTC 7/11/18*), regarding “Churches Together – Barton Area Homeless Project” application for funding. The notice had been signed by Councillors N Jacques, Mrs C Thornton, J P Vickers, J Sanderson, Mrs P Sanderson, N Pinchbeck, C Ulliott, Mrs W Witter, Mrs J Mason, B Troop, Mrs A Clark and J Evison. This is in compliance with the town council’s Standing Orders 2018, Items 7 & 9.

A second revised funding application has now been received for the “Barton Area Homeless Project of Churches Together in Barton-upon-Humber” (*minute reference 234(9)/101 of these meeting minutes refers*). As Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee of the town council, Councillor K Vickers stated he had carefully perused the second application and felt more comfortable with the content, as opposed to the original one received. He did not agree that the town council should support the bed and breakfast costs in Hull and Grimsby as the first application had suggested. He felt everyone was now better informed of those people who become homeless, following the talk given by the two representatives of North Lincolnshire Council from Environmental Health & Housing who attended the 5 December meeting of the town council to explain their statutory duty to assist the needs of the homeless. In light of this, he commented that the “Churches Together-Barton Area Homeless Project” would in the future work with North

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Lincolnshire Council to ensure that an enhanced, complementary service provision is available in the town.

He proposed that the town council support the homeless project in the sum of £1,500, subject to the following conditions:

Firstly, the group to engage and work with North Lincolnshire Council to seek professional help and accommodation for the homeless, if anyone in need should seek assistance from the Barton Churches. This is to ensure there is continuity of help and guidance for the homeless person. Secondly, the town council donation monies should be utilised for those people seeking help from the Barton Churches who do not necessarily fall into the parameters of what can be classified as a truly homeless category, i.e. people requiring short term assistance. Feedback of how and what the town council donation monies are used for by the Barton Churches project during the year will be required to be submitted to the town council for audit purposes as the funding will come from precepted council tax in Barton. He stated that North Lincolnshire Council pick up the cost for bed and breakfast accommodation for the homeless in the North Lincolnshire Area. Thirdly, this is a one-off grant to assist with the set-up costs of the service provision only. As the town council have no direct powers to support this service, a section 137 payment is required, to be taken from the town council reserves. This proposal was seconded by Councillor J Evison. It was further discussed by members present and a vote taken for the proposal and conditions made by Councillor K Vickers. By a show of hands, all members of the town council present voted in favour of the proposal. It was agreed and

Resolved that a donation be made to the “Churches Together in Barton-upon-Humber – Barton Area Homeless Project, in the sum of £1,500, taken from the town council’s reserves as a section 137 payment, subject to the following conditions: Firstly, the group to engage and work with North Lincolnshire Council to seek professional help and accommodation for the homeless, if anyone in need should seek assistance from the Barton Churches. This is to ensure there is continuity of help and guidance for the homeless person. Secondly, the town council donation monies should be utilised for those people seeking help from the Barton Churches who do not necessarily fall into the parameters of what can be classified as a truly homeless category, i.e. people requiring short term assistance. Feedback of how and what the town council donation monies are used for by the Barton Churches project during the year will be required to be submitted to the town council for audit purposes as the funding will come from precepted council tax in Barton. North Lincolnshire Council pick up the cost for bed and breakfast accommodation for the homeless in the North Lincolnshire Area. Thirdly, this is a one-off grant to assist with the set-up costs of the service provision only.

229. **Police and Neighbourhood Action Team**

Councillor J P Vickers reported a productive meeting had been held before Christmas of the NAT group. Neighbourhood Watch groups, Caistor Road and Overton Court issues were being progressed and the anti-social behaviour reports at The Beck have now settled down. Councillor J Oxley pointed out that some former volunteers of the Viking Resource Centre were now employed by Ongo, offering a much improved and better service for the Caistor Road area. The Resource Centre is something he and Councillor Mrs J Oxley have been long associated with he concluded. Councillor F Coulesy reported that cyclists were riding up the bank at the Viewing Area adjacent to the Humber Bank, damaging the bulb planting programmes that had been undertaken in the last few months. Councillor N Jacques suggested that perhaps some railway sleepers could be placed there to deter this from happening. Councillor J P Vickers stated he would look into this matter along with a report of why the public conveniences at the Viewing Area had been closed on New Year’s day.

Resolved that this be noted.

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230. **Minutes**

(a) **Ordinary Meeting of the Council – 5 December 2018**

Resolved that the previously circulated minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 5 December 2018, be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

231. **Matters of Report Arising**

(a) **Transport Interchange** (*Min Ref's 211(a)/(b)90&91 – BTC 05/12/18*)

Councillor N Jacques enquired of the progress in this matter. He requested if the designer/consultants for the car park project could be contacted to ensure that schemes are co-ordinated and that Barton Civic Society are keen to further this matter. Councillor J P Vickers agreed with this.

Resolved that this be noted.

(b) **Potholes** (Min Ref: 211(b)/90 – BTC 05/12/18)

Councillor Mrs W Witter stated that the large pothole previously reported at the December meeting on Queen's Avenue, adjacent to the Newport junction had not been repaired. Councillor N Pinchbeck concurred with this stating that he felt it was dangerous, particularly for cyclists. Further reports of potholes were made, notably Meadow Drive, Forkedale, Brigg Road etc. Councillor J P Vickers commented that North Lincolnshire Council were attending to potholes in priority areas first. What determined a priority area was queried. Also, he stated that the previous micro-asphalt programme of re-surfacing work has not, in the main, been very successful last year, so this was being addressed by the North Lincolnshire Council contractor. Councillor K Vickers stated that North Lincolnshire Council are now undertaking the repair of potholes by doing it properly by digging out etc. Whilst this may take a little longer, the result is a better job, but patience was required. Councillor Mrs C Thornton asked if the potholes could be marked on the perimeter with yellow markers to alert the hazard to pedestrians, cyclists and motorists alike.

Resolved that this be noted.

232. **Other Meeting Minutes**

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

1) **Correct Record**

Resolved that the circulated Minutes of a Community Committee Meeting held on 10 December 2018 be approved as a correct record.

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

2) **Correct Record**

Resolved that the circulated Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on 17 December 2018 be approved as a correct record.

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233. **Matters of Report Arising**

(a) **Community Committee Budget 2019/2020** (*Min Ref: 219/94 – CC 10/12/18*)

The Clerk reported that an invoice had been received in the sum of £254 regarding the first aid service at the Christmas Festival. This was used for the basis of reducing the budget provision for next year to £500 from this year's provision of £700. However, a second invoice has been received in the sum of £772. The town council office queried this with the contractor, whereby it was found to be that the first invoice belonged to a different client of theirs. In light of this, the Clerk suggested that the budget for first aid cover for the 2019/2020 budget be changed from £500 to £772. This was agreed by members present.

Resolved the Community Committee Budget 2019/2020 for first aid cover be amended from £500 to £772.

234. **Correspondence**

1. Receipt of CPRE Campaigns update for December (*copy available from the council office*).
2. Receipt of BCCRP quarterly report to the Community Rail Executive Group which each Community Rail Partnership must send to comply with the Service Level Agreement with Northern. Also, latest news from the ACoRP AGM (*copy available from the council office*).
3. Receipt of Barton Area Food Bank AGM minutes, reports and updates.
4. Receipt of the latest Highway Programme of Works for the area from North Lincolnshire Council.
5. Receipt of Humber & Wold Rural Action's AGM notice and Forward Strategy 2018 to 2021.
6. Date for The Great British Spring Clean 2019 - 22 March to 23 April 2019. Registration will be open in January.
7. Notification from NALC of Local Government Services (NJC) agreed new pay scales for 2019-2020 to be implemented from 1 April 2019.
8. Invite from Safer Neighbourhoods to the launch of a new partnership scheme (Trade Watch), to prevent and deter Rogue Traders and Door Step Crime, to be held on 30 January 2019 5-7pm at Winterton Rangers. Anyone wishing to attend should confirm this via email to tracey.coyne@northlincs.gov.uk.
9. Receipt of updated Town Grant Scheme application for Barton & Area Homeless Project of Churches Together in Barton (*Min. Ref: 162(d)/66 - BTC 29/10/18*) (*Min. Ref: 176(a)/74 – BTC 07/11/18*).
10. During the festive period bin and box collection dates will change due to the way the bank holidays fall this year.
 - Tuesday collections due on Christmas Day will be collected one day **earlier** on Monday 24 December (Christmas Eve)
 - Tuesday collections due on New Year's Day will be collected one day **earlier** on Monday 31 December (New Year's Eve)
11. Receipt from North Lincolnshire Council Strategy and Business Service of Town/Parish Council Highway Grass Cutting Agreement, with the provisional indication date of 11 January 2019 if intending to take part in 2019.
12. Receipt of ERNLLCA December newsletter.

Resolved

- (i) the grant application has been discussed earlier in the meeting (*Min Ref: 228/98 refers*)(item 9);
- (ii) that the correspondence be received and the contents noted.

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235. **Correspondence Received Since Issue of the Agenda**

1. Copy letter sent to North Lincolnshire Council Ward Members regarding concerns with traffic volume on Fleetgate in Barton from a local resident.
2. Notification from BCCRP regarding funding and other matters still to be resolved before the Barton Line comes into the remit of East Midlands Trains, who are still in talks with the Department of Transport.
3. Information from North Lincolnshire Council Public Transport about making savings on the 450 bus service by making changes to the 450 service and looking to incorporating the 260 to help serve some of the villages. The 450 would operate from Barrow to Barton and Brigg via the Low Villages. The 260 at present operates 4 days to Goxhill and New Holland and 1 day to East Halton. They are looking at changing this to 3 days operating to Goxhill and New Holland and 2 days serving Thornton Curtis, Wootton and Ulceby and also East Halton and South Killingholme. A proposed timetable has been forwarded. Any suggestions are welcomed by early in the New Year.
4. Thanks received from The Royal British Legion for our recent donation and giving some details where funding is allocated to benefit people of all ages and backgrounds with both financial advice and mental health support (*Min Ref:148(3)(i)/60 – BTC 3/10/18*).

Resolved

(i) that a letter be sent to North Lincolnshire Council with the town council's concerns that the local bus services are to be reduced. As the town council currently support the town bus and it was noted that better information needs to be sought regarding the Call Connect service, the Clerk to invite the Public Transport Development Officer to a forthcoming meeting of the town council to further explain the service (*item 3*);

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

236. **Accounts for Payment**

Resolved

(i) that the Clerk be authorised to pay the accounts as listed in Appendix II in the sum of £5,280.15 (A/cs 184 to 190) and those presented at the meeting in the sum of £6,158.53 (A/cs 191 to 196) - a grand total of £11,438.68;

(ii) petty cash expenses for December 2018 are £103.43;

(iii) the balanced bank reconciliation sheets for November 2018 were signed by the Mayor and Town Clerk.

Resolved that this be noted.

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

(a) **Councillor J P Vickers**

Councillor J P Vickers reported he had received several complaints regarding the uneven footpath at the new Lidl development area. This, he said, is being addressed. Councillor Mr J Oxley enquired if a dog waste bin could be placed at the new gate that has been erected there. Councillor J P Vickers stated he would address this matter with North Lincolnshire Council.

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(b) Councillor K Vickers

Councillor K Vickers stated he had no matters of report following the Christmas/New Year recess but wished everyone a happy New Year. Councillor Mrs A Clark enquired about parking arrangements at the old Lidl store premises located on the High Street. Councillor K Vickers replied that the property belonged to Lidl until the premises were sold. As far as he was aware, there had been free parking there for 2 hours. The Clerk explained that someone had come into the town council office to report that their vehicle had been badly damaged after parking in there recently, thinking the car park was local authority owned. However, the person had acknowledged that the car park entrance had a barrier of shopping trolley's to block it with large vehicles in there removing goods from the Lidl store. The Clerk had explained that with most car parks the vehicle owner parked there at their own risk.

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

(a) The Annual Civic Dinner

The Mayor, Councillor N Pinchbeck, stated that the Civic Dinner would be held on 1 March 2019, explaining the venue and arrangements. He would be extending an invitation to all members of the town council, marking the end of an era for the council when there would be a reduction in councillors serving the council following the May 2019 elections.

The Chairman, Councillor N Pinchbeck closed the meeting at 7.35 p.m.

..... Chairman 6 February 2019