

**BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING HELD in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, BAYSGARTH**  
**HOUSE, BARTON, on WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2019 COMMENCING at 7.00 p.m.**

**Present** Councillor N Pinchbeck (Chairman)

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

**Also present** Captain A Bawden (Salvation Army), 3 members of the public and Ms S Richards (Town Clerk).

Prior to the meeting commencing, Mr P Chapman (resident of Wilderspin Heights), enquired if the town council could release £300 it has set aside in earmarked reserves for “Trees (Civic Society)”, towards enhancement of a tree screening programme on Ferriby Road. This would assist in screening the light and traffic noise from the Lidl Store development and proposed 24 hour garage facility adjacent, to benefit local residents at the top of Ferriby Road/Wilderspin Heights etc. He stated Lidl have already paid for some trees to be planted and have removed a dead tree which the residents are very grateful for. A similar donation from Euro Garages is also being sought. He felt that as trees are slow growing, planting needs to be done as soon as possible and that the trees would form a welcoming entrance into the town. He concluded that the Barton Civic Society were in favour of the project.

Discussion took place regarding this matter. Councillor J Evison stated that the trees to be planted need to be suitable species and permission from North Lincolnshire Council would have to be sought as the trees would be planted on the public highway owned by them. Mr Chapman commented that he had received advice on tree species from a tree specialist. Councillor J P Vickers commented that it was good that Lidl had contributed towards the tree screening and Euro Garages had been approached also. Councillor Mr J Oxley commented that the Barton Lions match fund the town council’s bulb planting budget, therefore he would ask the group if they could donate to Mr Chapman’s tree project. In light of this, he stated he would raise this issue under the report from Barton Lions at the next meeting of the town council’s Environment Committee to be held on 11 February. The Clerk gave Mr Chapman a grant application form to complete to apply to the town council for financial funding. Councillor J Evison explained he would assist Mr Chapman to complete the form.

A local resident highlighted anti-social behaviour issues in the town centre, notably around the Beck, Cottage Lane, High Street etc. It was noted that the Police had been informed about these issues previously. Councillor J P Vickers explained about the town centre cctv system in operation and that anti-social behaviour issues, graffiti etc were discussed at the Neighbourhood Action Team meetings. The town’s Police Station is now fully operational again and several arrests have been made for theft, shop lifting, drug offences etc. Councillor N Jacques stated that as the Police Station is now operational on a 24 hour basis, this should be announced in the next edition of the ‘Bartonian’ to inform everyone in the town. All members present agreed to this. Councillor J P Vickers also stated that the information was available on the Humberside Police website. He concluded that all anti-social behaviour issues need to be reported directly to the Police by members of the public as and when it happens.

258. **The Town Prayer**

It was agreed and

**Resolved** that Captain A Bawden read out the Town Prayer. He thanked the town council for financially supporting the Churches Together ‘Barton Area Homeless Project’ He then left the meeting.

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259. **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.

260. **Apologies for Absence**

Councillors F Coulseley (unwell), Mrs S Evison (unwell), Mrs D Pearson (unwell) and I Welch (unwell)

261. **Declarations of Interest**

The Co-operative Store – Councillor B Troop (Personal Interest)

262. **Police and Neighbourhood Action Team**

Councillor J P Vickers reported the latest crime figures for the town. Some arrests had been made for robbery and drug offences. However, overall the anti-social behaviour issues showed a downward turn. He felt this was partly due to the local Police Station now being fully operational. He stated that good information was available on the Humberside Police website with live alerts.

**Resolved** that this be noted.

263. **Minutes**

(a) **Ordinary Meeting of the Council – 2 January 2019**

**Resolved** that the previously circulated minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 2 January 2019, be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

264. **Matters of Report Arising**

(a) **Transport Interchange** (*Min Ref: 231(a)/100 – BTC 02/01/19*)

Councillor N Jacques stated the Barton Civic Society had perused the drawings, whereby the proposed site facilities would be shared for both the rail and bus service, together with expansion of the car park to accommodate 64 car spaces. He enquired if any further progress was forthcoming from North Lincolnshire Council. Councillor J P Vickers replied there was nothing to date.

**Resolved** that this be noted.

265. **Other Meeting Minutes**

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

1) **Correct Record**

**Resolved** that the circulated Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on 7 January 2019 be approved as a correct record.

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**(b) Minutes of an Extra-Ordinary Meeting**

**2) Correct Record**

**Resolved** that the circulated Minutes of an Extra-Ordinary Meeting held on 21 January 2019 be approved as a correct record.

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

**3) Correct Record**

**Resolved** that the circulated Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on 28 January 2019 be approved as a correct record.

**266. Matters of Report Arising**

No matters of report were raised at this meeting.

**267. Correspondence**

1. Receipt of latest Highway Programme of Works for the area from North Lincolnshire Council.
2. Letter of thanks from Ted Lewis Group for town council support to their project (*Min Ref: 204(4)(i)/89 – BTC 5/12/19*).
3. Invite to North Lincolnshire Council's Great British Spring Clean Celebration on 17 January 2019. (*invite received between council meetings. Councillor J Sanderson attended on behalf of the town council, as he received personal invite to attend*) The next Spring Clean is 22 March and 23 April 2019.
4. Notification from North Lincolnshire Council Street Naming of two new properties on Butts Road, numbers 184 and 186.
5. Notification of Scope hour-to-house collection dates in Barton between 1 April to 21 April 2019 and 6 April to 26 April 2020.
6. Request to raise awareness with local social clubs of opportunity for Humber & Wolds Rural Action initiative to talk with them about reducing energy bills through simple changes and low cost measures. Also notice that 22-28 January was Village Halls Week, more information can be found by contacting [villagehallsadvisor@hwrcc.org.uk](mailto:villagehallsadvisor@hwrcc.org.uk)
7. Barton School Councils' Forum request suggestions for a guest speaker at their March meeting.
8. Receipt of Service Level Agreement from North Lincolnshire Council for Ferriby Road and Barrow Road flower bedding and maintenance for 2019/2020 which has been signed and returned.
9. Received CPRE Countrywise January Newsletter; 2019 Star Count 2-9 February, details from [www.cpre.org.uk/starcount](http://www.cpre.org.uk/starcount)
10. Received BCCRP 4 December 2018 meeting minutes; latest news from Northern Railway regarding RMT dispute; May 2019 timetable consultation presentation and Membership renewal form for 2019.
11. Notification from North Lincolnshire Council Highways that Remembrance Day Service and Parade must have necessary authorisation for road closures. Any Temporary Traffic Regulation Order applications must be received by 2 August 2019.
12. Received North Lincolnshire Council Town & Parish January meeting presentations - Healthwatch North Lincolnshire and North Lincolnshire Adult Partnership – Vulnerable Adult Strategy. Next meeting is 27 March 2019.
13. Notification from North Lincolnshire Council Licensing that their Sex Establishment Policy is currently being reviewed. There is no change to the existing policy which can be located at <https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/jobs-business-and-regeneration/licensing/licensing-policies/>

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14. Notification that the town council's North Lincolnshire Council Community Grant Application was successful, maximum of £2,970.36 available for work at Barton Viewing Area and planters outside The Co-op. Grant needs to be claimed by 8 March 2019 (*Min Ref: 101(a)/40-EC 20/8/18*) (*The contractors have been notified*).
15. North Lincolnshire Council Electoral Services Nomination Pack information received for May Election. Packs can be collected from town council office, but **MUST** be returned to North Lincolnshire Council.
16. Received via ERNLLCA copy of NALC media release - Parliamentary inquiry to strengthen Standards Regime for Councillors. Also NALC open letter to Councillors showing lobbying successes over the last year (*copy available from the council office*).

**Resolved**

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

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

1. Notification of BCCRP meeting on Tuesday 5 March 2019 10.45 am at Grimsby Town Railway Station, plus Northern Rail National Rail Passenger Survey results.
2. Receipt of ERNLLCA January newsletter (*copy available from the council office*).
3. Notification of street numbering schedule from North Lincolnshire Council Property Services for Castledyke South and Preston Lane following development at The Laurels, 5 Preston Lane.

**Resolved**

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

269. **Accounts for Payment**

**Resolved**

(i) that the Clerk be authorised to pay the accounts as listed in Appendix II in the sum of £16,666.63 (A/cs 197 to 213) and those presented at the meeting in the sum of £5,898.95 (A/cs 214 to 218) - a grand total of £22,565.58;

(ii) petty cash expenses for January 2019 are £126.94;

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

**Resolved** that this be noted.

270. **Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor 2019/2020**

Consideration was given to expressions of interest received from members wishing to undertake these civic roles. One candidate for the role of Mayor, Councillor J Sanderson, and one candidate for the role of Deputy Mayor, Councillor B Troop.

A proposal was made from Councillor N Jacques for Councillor J Sanderson to be put forward as Town Mayor elect for the annual meeting of the town council to be held on 13 May 2019, this was seconded by Councillor Mrs A Clark and agreed by members present.

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A proposal was made from Councillor C Ulliott for Councillor B Troop to be put forward as Deputy Town Mayor elect for the annual meeting of the town council to be held on 13 May 2019, this was seconded by Councillor N Jacques and agreed by members present.

**Resolved** that the election of the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor 2019/2020 be undertaken at the annual meeting to be held on 13 May 2019, with Councillors J Sanderson and B Troop having put forward expressions of interest in the roles of Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor respectively. As agreed by members of the town council present and subject to the forthcoming election.

271. **The Town Award 2019**

Consideration was given to nominations for the Town Award 2019 having regard to a circulated resume of nominations. By a recorded vote, 2 votes received for Sian Hewson, 2 votes for Janet Huteson, 3 votes for Pam McCartney, no votes for Cyril Pallister, 10 votes for Brian Peeps and no votes for Julia Wilson. Two further public nomination put forward for Andrew Robinson and Ben Troop were deemed invalid, being outside the current ruling. It was agreed and

**Resolved**

- (i) the Town Award 2019 be awarded to Brian Peeps. The award to be presented at the Mayor's Civic Dinner to be held on 1 March 2019. The recipient to be notified and invited;
- (ii) an agenda item to be placed at the next meeting of the Community Committee to be held on 4 March 2019, to review the Town Award rules.

272. **Closure of The George Hotel & Public House**

Councillor N Pinchbeck commented that the building was closed a second time due to unfortunate circumstances. It was noted that some enhancement works had been undertaken to this historical, iconic building and it was hoped that suitable tenants would be sought to take on this business. It was agreed and

**Resolved** the Clerk to write to Enterprise Inns, expressing the town council's concern regarding this vacant historical building and pointing out that it is anticipated that more suitable tenants can be sought under their scrutiny of applicants in the future.

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

(a) **Councillor J Evison**

Councillor J Evison explained 32 sets of gritters were in operation last week during the spell of inclement weather. He had received a number of emails predominantly about the bad weather, pointing out reports can also be made via the website, 'Intouch' etc. Additional finance was being allocated to the pothole budget as a priority, with an on-going plan of £50m for road/surfacing and paths. It had been noted that the road surfacing programme had not been successful that was undertaken last year, but a future road surfacing programme was planned, to resurface properly in the future. Councillor Mrs C Thornton said she had seen several elderly people walk in the middle of the road, rather than the footpath, due to poor condition of the paths. Councillor Evison asked which paths these were. Councillor Mrs Thornton replied they were all over the town. Councillor Mrs A Clark felt that they were bad on Pasture Road, Butts Road, West Acridge, Shadwell Rise etc. She felt the surfaces were not ideal for 'motorbility' type scooters as the surface was coming off and uneven. Councillor K Vickers stated he would look into this matter.

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Councillor Mrs W Witter, on behalf of several local residents, wished to thank North Lincolnshire Council for the excellent snow clearing work in the recent bad spell of weather. They had done a sterling job in the town centre and wished this to be conveyed back to them. Councillor J P Vickers commented that he would do this. Councillor A Todd felt that the road sweeping teams should be complemented from the town council, having undertaken the gritting programme well.

**(b) Councillor K Vickers**

Councillor K Vickers reported that it was the annual budget time at North Lincolnshire Council with an emphasis on keeping the local council tax down as low as possible. Councillors Mrs A Clark and Mrs J Mason questioned the system in place at the Local Link office regarding 'Blue Badge' renewal etc. The system in place had appeared to have changed, with more documented evidence to be provided and a lack of privacy was reported at the venue itself. Councillor J P Vickers explained he had addressed this matter with the Manager and had been given assurance regarding privacy being available. He stated he would raise the issue again with the Manager. Councillor N Pinchbeck felt the matter appeared to be a communication issue. Councillor Mrs A Clark questioned the fee previously charged of £3.50 going up to £10. Councillor K Vickers stated the £10 covered a 3 year period and was in line with other authorities nationally, charging the same.

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

**(a) English Heritage – St Peter's Church**

Councillor N Jacques highlighted improvement work to be undertaken at the church regarding work to the bell, cctv etc. It was anticipated the work would be carried out March/April, to avoid the bat season. The cctv system would be linked to the North Lincolnshire Council cctv centre to assist in the reduction of anti-social behaviour in that area. Next year, the church anticipates opening up more frequently to the public (free of charge), whereby volunteers are to be sourced to assist with this. He suggested that an article to be placed in the 'Bartonian' to announce this. It was agreed and

**Resolved**

(i) an article to be placed in the 'Bartonian' to inform local residents that St Peter's Church proposes to open up more frequently to the public next year and that volunteers are required to assist.

**(b) Baysgarth School**

Councillor J Evison gave appraisal of the complaints procedure regarding 'Leisure Leagues' and himself. He commented that he was not going to mention this issue, but the company concerned had written to each town councillor about it, therefore it was now in the public domain. He stated this company was not affiliated to the FA and the organisation has given out negative press. Baysgarth School has no coverage from them and the matter is being dealt with accordingly. Councillor Mr J Oxley supported Councillor J Evison in this matter. He stated he had been involved in junior football for many years in the town and felt the company was a "rogue outfit". Councillor Ms J Warton felt the letter circulated by 'Leisure Leagues' was "disgusting".

**Resolved** this matter be noted.

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**(c) Friends of Baysgarth Park Group**

Councillor J P Vickers gave update regarding improvement works to the park. Iron gates are to be installed at the Chad Varah Garden and work for the 'Green Flag' status 2019 is ongoing. The public toilets have been fully repaired and restored. Whilst they are now open, they will only be open when events take place in the park for the time being, as the toilets were continually vandalised in the past and not fit for use. It is planned that this be monitored and reviewed accordingly.

The Chairman, Councillor N Pinchbeck closed the meeting at 7.55 p.m.

..... Chairman            6 March 2019