BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD on WEDNESDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2022 at 19.00

Councillor P Vickers (Chairman)

Councillors A Chapman, N Jacques, Mrs C Patterson, N Pinchbeck, Mrs C Thornton, B Troop, A Todd and K Vickers and Ms T Davis (Town Clerk)

Prior to commencement of the formal meeting the Mayor led the Council in observing a minutes silence for the sad passing of Councillor Mrs Ann Clark and ex Councillor Mrs Jean Mason. The Mayor thanked both councillors for their excellent voluntary dedication to the community over the years they served as members of the Town Council.

Public Participation

None

222. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mrs S Evison (Personal) Cllr J Evison (Personal)

AGREED Proposed Cllr P Vickers, Seconded Cllr B Troop To accept the apologies given above Unanimous

223. Mayors Notices

Mayor attended a meeting with the Humber Bridge Board and representatives from Hessle Town Council to create better engagement with all parties. This was a really good meeting. There will be a request from the Bridge Board to the Town Council to relocate the bench that is situated on Far-Ings Road on the approach to the bridge. It was suggested that this bench could be relocated to the position to replace the one that has been removed due to disrepair. To await correspondence from the Humber Bridge Board. The Mayor will be attending a meeting with the Adrian Ellis group at The Ropewalk tomorrow.

224. Declarations of Interest

Cllr A Chapman declared a personal interest in agenda item number 9 relating to the Barton Lions grant funding application.

225. <u>Minutes to receive, approve and confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Ordinary</u> <u>Meeting of the Council held on 5th October 2022</u>

AGREED Proposed Cllr P Vickers, Seconded Cllr B Troop

That the previously circulated minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 5th October 2022 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct with the amendment to minute number 191 which should have had a resolution with an invitation to the North Lincolnshire Council Highways Officers to attend a future Full Council meeting where they can address the number of traffic issues being brought to the town council.

Unanimous

226. To approve as a correct record minutes of the following meetings of the Council

(a) Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 17th October 2022

AGREED Proposed Cllr N Pinchbeck, Seconded Cllr N Jacques That the previously circulated minutes of the Planning Committee of the Council held on 17th October 2022 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman of the Planning Committee. Unanimous

(b) Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 17th October 2022

AGREED Proposed Cllr P Vickers, Seconded Cllr N Pinchbeck That the previously circulated minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee of the Council held on 17th October 2022 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee. Unanimous

(c) Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 17th October 2022

AGREEDProposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr A Chapman
That the previously circulated minutes of the Environment Committee of the
Council held on 17th October 2022 be received, approved and confirmed as a
correct record and signed by the Chairman of the Environment Purposes
Committee.
Unanimous

227. Correspondence

- 1. Barton NAT Minutes -5^{th} August
- 2. Chief Executives Bulletin 30th September
- 3. NALC Newsletter 5th October
- 4. Chief Executives Bulletin 7th October
- 5. Chief Executives Bulletin 14th October
- 6. Rough Sleeper Count 18th October
- 7. NALC Events 18th October
- 8. NALC Events 19th October
- 9. Chief Executives Bulletin 21st October
- 10. Temporary Road Closures 21st October'.
- 11. Tidal Flood Alleviation Scheme Newsletter 21^{st} October
- 12. Proposed Submission East Riding Local Plan Update Regulation 19 Consultation 24th October
- 13. Local Councils Update Page 2 October 2022
- 14. Local Councils Update Page 3 October 2022
- 15. Local Councils Update Page 4 October 2022
- 16. Local Councils Update Page 5 October 2022
- 17. Local Councils Update Page 6 October 2022
- 18. Local Councils Update Page 7 October 2022

228. <u>To consider reports from Barton Representatives serving on North Lincolnshire Council</u>

(a) Cllr K Vickers

Cllr K Vickers explained that the planning application PA/2021/2100 – Planning permission for the creation of a lagoon for the storage of liquid organic waste and associated works has recently been refused full planning permission.

(b) Cllr P Vickers

Cllr P Vickers explained to members that North Lincolnshire Council Highways department are looking to make Hungate into one way system but have not decided which way the traffic flow should travel. Members discussed the pros and cons of traffic travelling into town through Hungate or exiting in the town through Hungate and the effects on the other streets this may have. He went on to add that the Traffic Officers have said that this will be a temporary traffic order and can be reversed or changed if it doesn't work out. There was support in general from council members and they felt that it should be up to the Highway Officers to decide which way traffic flow should go. Cllr Mrs C Patterson did note that the current roundabout should have a give way to the right sign on the approach to the roundabout at each junction as traffic often does not stop when approaching the roundabout.

The library will be opening week commencing 7th of November on Saturday and Sunday 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM and this will be publicised it is hoped that the town council will share this good news.

The leader of the council Cllr Waltham will be out and about looking at the roads in town on Saturday

229. <u>To consider reports from Members appointed to outside bodies</u>

There were no reports.

230. Accounts for Payment

Accounts were noted as have had prior approval. Accounts as listed in Appendix II in the sum of £20,749.85 (A/cs 192 to 229). The balanced bank reconciliation sheets now are prepared for Finance & General Purposes.

231. <u>To approve adoption of the Civility and Respect Pledge</u> – NALC and SLCC recommendation.

Councillor K Vickers asked exactly what the sanctions would be that are referred to in the final paragraph he would not be comfortable with approving the civility and respect pledge until the answers to these questions are sought. It was agreed the Town Clerk obtain further information and to put to the December Full Council Meeting.

232. Update on the Barton Upon Humber Relief Road proposal – Cllr B Troop

Cllr Troop asked if there were any updates on the progress of the proposed relief road. Cllr P Vickers said that this application has been submitted and is now dependent on the receipt of the Levelling Up funding. Further updates will be given as and when the council have heard from Central Government. The proposed roundabout for Falklands Way will not be affected as that is being funded through S106 developers funding.

233. Update on Memorial Bench design for the Late HM Queen Elizabeth II

A further quotation and design has been received from JW Stamp & Sons for £980 for the Late HM Queen Elizabeth II Memorial bench

AGREEDProposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N PinchbeckTo fund the new memorial bench from reserves at a cost of £980to be made by JW Stamp & Sons to the design agreed.Unanimous

234. Banking Hub Update – Cllr N Pinchbeck

Cllr N Pinchbeck gave an update on the banking hub position. <u>Taken from previous published updates.</u>

The team who are implementing the Banking Hub visited Barton earlier this week, and viewed potential premises as well as meeting representatives from the Town Council. Now that Lloyds have closed their branch, we're keen to get the Hub open as soon as it's possible to do so, and we reiterated this to the team. Over the winter months, it is likely to go quiet on news about the Hub, but be assured that lots of background work will be happening – plans being drawn up, negotiations with landlords and leases being negotiated and signed. This all takes time. In the spring, we should see the chosen premises begin to be refurbished and refitted, ready for an opening hopefully in early summer. We understand these timescales are a little frustrating, but Barton is definitely getting a Hub, and the team are very positive about Barton – but commercial property negotiations do take time. Martin Vickers MP and the Town Council did make formal requests to the Lloyds Bank CEO and Senior Management to defer closure of the branch to reduce the gap between the bank closing and the Hub opening, but it's frustrating and disappointing that a reply was only received by the council on the day the bank closed, declining that request.

Meanwhile, remember that everyday banking for most banks can be carried out at the Post Office (cash withdrawal & deposits, checking balances and some bill payments), and in addition the NatWest mobile branch continues to visit the Old Mill car park on alternate Thursdays from 1.35pm to 2.05pm (next scheduled dates are November 10th & 24th and December 8th & 22nd). Lloyds Bank are providing a community banking service at Baysgarth Leisure Centre and Hub every Wednesday from 9am to 3pm, to support with both personal and business account enquiries. Lloyds tell us this service will remain in place until the Banking Hub opens and then it will transfer to that venue.

235. Update on Assembly Rooms

Cllr K Vickers explained to members that's the Assembly Rooms Liaison Group have met with CHAMP and following that meeting it was agreed that a surveyor should be engaged to review the state of the assembly rooms windows and provide a report on what work is required and what is really urgent. This would require the hire of a cherry picker and would need a driver with an IPAF licence. Cllr B Troop enquired as to the reasons for an Assembly Rooms Liaison Group meeting to take place when the SWOT analysis which is being prepared independently by council staff has not been reviewed by Full Council as agreed at the Full Council on the 1st June.

Cllr P Vickers explained that the windows have become a potential health and safety issue and it is urgent that these are checked and actions are put in place for them to be made safe. Councillor N Jacques reminded members that the council are in receipt of one quotation for the project management from a local architects and the Town Clerk has received broken down figures for surveys of the building. It was stated that the project work could continue but the windows side of the project must be dealt with urgently and will therefore be taken out of the overall project work.

It was agreed that the SWOT analysis should be delivered to the next Full Council meeting in December.

AGREED Proposed Cllr A Todd, Seconded Cllr B Troop To continue with the survey work on the windows and any Health and Safety Work to be carried out under Council's Financial Regulations 4.4. Unanimous

236. <u>To resolve on whether the Council will move into closed session in accordance with the Public</u> <u>Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government</u> <u>Act 1972 for the following confidential items</u>

AGREED Proposed Cllr P Vickers, Seconded Cllr C Patterson To enter closed session. Unanimous

237. <u>Recommendation from Tender Committee of Grass Cutting and PROW Award 2023-2026 –</u> <u>Tender Committee Chairman Cllr A Chapman</u>

AGREED Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr P Vickers To accept the Tender Committee recommendation to award the contract to Mr M Nettleton, Home and Garden Services for the next three years with a review after two years. Unanimous

Meeting closed at 20.05

..... Chairman 2nd November 2022