

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICES ON THURSDAY 27TH JULY 2017 AT 7.00P.M.

Present: R Little (Mayor)
Councillors: C Briggs J Charters C R Jackling
F W Lee Mrs J Phillips
S Roe B Sellars

Clerk to the Committee: Mrs S Green

Also attending: 4 members of the public

4 members of the public were in attendance to address the Town Council regarding issues with recent external events held on Witham Fields. One resident was very concerned about the effect of constant loud music on the nearby residences and the detriment of resident's enjoyment of their homes, particularly elderly and infirmed residents.

Others present were in favour of events being held for the enjoyment of others and in particular those that were in aid of extremely worthwhile charities. Suggestions to alleviate any discomfort and nuisance to those living in close proximity to Witham Fields included more effective monitoring by the Police in relation to parking in the surrounding streets, possible relocation of music stage to the bottom field, a time limit for music event duration and to expand the leaflet drops to a wider area of residential properties.

The Mayor advised that the points raised will be taken into account when people apply to hold events.

1. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor reported that the Twinning visitors from Denzlingen will be arriving on Friday 28th July and a small welcome reception will be held at the Hykeham Community Hub. He reported that he would be delivering a gift and card to the Deputy Mayor and her fiancé on behalf of the Town Council on Saturday 29th July on the occasion of their wedding. All present asked that their very best wishes for the future be passed to Councillor Spencer and Wayne Barker.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND REASONS GIVEN

Councillor Reynolds (personal), Councillor Rodgers (personal), Councillor Dillon (personal), Councillor Shaunta (personal), Councillor Rigby (personal), Councillor Spencer (personal), Councillor Sampson (personal), Lincs. County Councillor Dr Thompson.

Proposed by Councillor Little, seconded by Councillor Mrs Phillips

AGREED

To accept the apologies of those listed above and the reasons given.

Unanimous

3. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received at this point.

4. NOTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29TH JUNE 2017 TO BE APPROVED AS MINUTES

AGREED

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Phillips, seconded by Councillor Briggs

That the minutes dated 29th June 2017 be approved as a true record.

Unanimous of those present at the meeting on 29th June 2017

5. CLERKS REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING – TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL IN RELATION TO RECENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Members were advised of recent developments in relation to the approved planning application to lift the restrictions to allow the storage of hazardous and toxic waste and an accompanying expected rise of 95 vehicles a day with no restriction on traffic at the Waste Plant on Boundary Lane, South Hykeham, to which North and South Hykeham and NKDC had objected. There is a large amount of strong opposition and nearby residents, who have formed an action group, are now taking this contentious issue to a Judicial Review. Members were concerned that residential housing is planned, as stated in the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan, in close proximity to the site, which will be accepting materials such as asbestos and WEEE.

6. NOTICE OF CO-OPTION FOR TOWN COUNCIL VACANCY ON MILL WARD

The Notice of Co-option for Town Council vacancy on Mill Ward was duly noted.

7. HYKEHAM COMMUNITY HUB COSTS

Members were advised that the Capital Grant Aid of £15,000 would be requested shortly. Due to the lack of an agreement with either the developer or the builders it was

RESOLVED

Proposed by Councillor S Roe, seconded by Councillor Mrs Phillips

To ratify that the spoil and soil removal be carried out by Len Kirk Plant Hire at a cost of £4500.00 and that the funds be vired from reserves as an over expenditure item.

Unanimous

An order had been placed with BT for the 2 telephone lines required and the additional line for the broadband. Once installed the Hub is ready for handover. The Community Committee are looking at what is required to move the library and any modifications that can be made to adapt existing equipment such as shelving.

8. PROGRESS ON NHTC WEBSITE AND APPROVAL OF “BECOME A COUNCILLOR” WEBPAGE

The Mayor advised that he was very impressed with the work carried out on the NHTC website by the Assistant Clerk, Miss Bryans, and wished to thank her for an excellent job. The Mayor had composed an article for inclusion on the website containing information on becoming a Town Councillor. The article to be put to the Community Committee for inclusion on the website.

The meeting closed at 19.50