

Sleaford Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Sleaford Town Council held on Wednesday 17th April 2019 at 7.00 p.m. at The Town Hall, Quayside House, Navigation Yard, Sleaford

Present: Cllr G Jackson (Chairman)

Cllr A Snookes (Deputy Chairman)	Cllr B Allan	Cllr A Brand
Cllr L Edwards-Shea	Cllr K Dolby	Cllr K Fernandes
Cllr M Graves	Cllr H Lorimer	Cllr P McCallum
Cllr J Parry (7:11pm)	Cllr F Richards	Cllr M Shanahan-Kluth
Cllr S Shanahan-Kluth	Cllr D Suiter	

Also, in attendance Council Officers: Clerk
LCC Councillors (1) Members of Public (2) Press (0)

Please note the Audio Recording from this meeting is available on the Town Council's Website.

FC.1 Chairman's Welcome

001 The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

FC.2 Apologies for Absence

002 Apologies for Absence with reasons were received from Councillors J Charlesworth, S Clegg and J Mathieson.

003 After being proposed and seconded **IT WAS RESOLVED** to accept the above apologies with reasons. Vote: for 14 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

FC.3 Declarations of Interest

004 Councillor L Edwards-Shea declared a personal interest in agenda item 12.1

005 Councillor M Graves declared in interest in agenda item 8.3, Securistor Ltd.

FC.4 Minutes

006 **Notes of the Council Meeting held on 3rd April 2019** – amendment to page 3, 019, voting should read “for 14” not for 12.

007 After being proposed and seconded **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the notes of the Council Meeting held on 3rd April 2019, together with the above amendment, be approved as Minutes of that meeting. Vote: for 13 – against 0 – abstained 1. The Resolution was carried.

FC.5 Chairman's Report

008 The Chairman and Deputy Chairman gave a verbal update on recent events they have attended. This item was noted.

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009 Councillor J Parry arrived at the meeting at 7.11pm

FC.6 Planning Matters

010 After being proposed and seconded **IT WAS RESOLVED** to accept the officer recommendation for no comments on the following applications. Vote: for 14 – against 0 – abstained 1. The Resolution was carried. NKDC to be notified accordingly.

Ref No	Location	Proposal
19/0334/FUL	Unit 3 Sellwood Court, Enterprise Park	Change of use from gymnastics club (D2) to mixed use of 1/3 rd Business & Storage & Distribution (B1 & B8 – 1 Stop Spas Trade), 1/3 rd Education & Training (D1 – SpaTech Training) & 1/3 rd Shops (A1-1 Stop Spas)
19/0367/VARCON	Corner House, 71 London Road, NG34 7LL	Application to vary condition 8 (Approved Plans) attached to planning application 17/0427/HOUS – Two storey rear extension & renovation to domestic property, minor alterations to existing doors & 1 window
19/0286/FUL	Part of Handley Chase Development, London Road/Stumpcross Hill	Installation of external lighting & refrigeration plant in service yard & installation of ATM machine
19/0422/HOUS	11 Stone Way, Holdingham, NG34 8NU	Replacement boundary hedge with new fence

011 The Clerk reported that there was a Planning Committee Meeting at NKDC on Tuesday 9th April 2019, to discuss the Advanta Seeds Site application. An update was given by Councillors who attended the meeting.

FC.7 Panel Reports

012 **7.1 Culture, Events, and Markets** – The Panel Lead gave a verbal update following a meeting held on 15th April 2019. The Panel Lead also reported that the Town Awards are being held on Thursday 25th April 2019 and the St. Georges Day event is being held on Saturday 27th April 2019. This item was noted.

013 **7.2 Services & Assets** – Next meeting to be held on 23rd April 2019.

014 **7.3 Finance & Strategy** – Next meeting to be held on 18th April 2019.

FC.8 Finance

015 **8.1 Regular Direct Debits/Standing Orders for retrospective approval** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £13,789.58. Vote: for 15 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

016 **8.1 Regular Direct Debits/Standing Orders for retrospective approval** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £4,816.92. Vote: for 15 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

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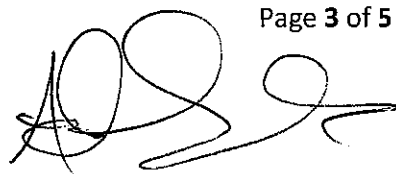
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- 017 **8.2 BACS payments made for retrospective approval** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £7,045.58. Vote: for 15 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 018 **8.2 BACS payments made for retrospective approval** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £1,134.40. Vote: for 15 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 019 **8.3 Pending BACS payments for approval** - After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £1,165.20. Vote: for 15 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 020 **8.3 Pending BACS payments for approval** - After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £1,548.10. Vote: for 14 – against 0 – abstained 1. The Resolution was carried.
- 021 **8.4 Cheque Payments for approval** - After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £125.00. Vote: for 15 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 022 **8.5 Request for 2 volunteers to sign paperwork** – Councillors A Snookes and S Shanahan-Kluth volunteered.
- 023 **8.6 Income and Expenditure Report & Year End Accounts – Year to 31st March 2019** – The Clerk introduced this item.
- 024 After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Council notes the report, the accounting journals as shown, the previously agreed transfer of £50k to the Eastgate Car Park fund and confirm agreement to the transfer of £10,000 to the Signage reserve with the remaining £19,688 going to the Council’s general reserves for future allocation in 2019/20. Vote: for 15 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- FC.9 Internal Affairs**
- 025 **9.1 Christmas Market Working Group Meeting** – the notes for the meeting held on 25th February 2019 and 1st April 2019 were noted.
- FC.10 Clerk/Deputy Clerk’s Report – Internal Affairs**
- 026 **10.1 Use of Eastgate Car Park** - After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to confirm agreement to the use of the Car Park by Blankney Hunt on 26th December 2019.
- 027 Councillor H Lorimer requested a recorded vote.
FOR: Councillors F Richards, M Shanahan-Kluth, S Shanahan-Kluth, B Allan, M Graves, K Dolby, J Parry, P McCallum and G Jackson (9)
AGAINST: Councillors D Suiter and H Lorimer (2)
ABSTAINED: Councillors L Edwards-Shea, K Fernandes, A Brand and A Snookes (4)

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028 **10.2 Use of Boston Road Recreation Ground** - After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to grant permission for the use of the Recreation Ground to Harris and Aspinall's Circus from Sunday 7th July to Sunday 14th July 2019, subject to the usual requirements regarding deposit, insurance, site usage and the casual hire agreement. This permission is also subject to confirmation from the original hirer of an event (Sleaford Carnival) no longer plans to held the event on 14th July 2019. Vote: for 15 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

029 **10.3 Action Log** – This item was noted.

030 **10.4 Meeting Schedule and Council Business during May 2019** – The Clerk gave a verbal update on this item which was then noted.

031 At 8:16pm, Councillor K Dolby left the room.

FC.11 External Affairs

032 **11.1 Rauceby Cemeteries** - After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Clerk makes further enquiries and reports back to a future meeting. Vote: for 14 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

033 At 8:20pm, Councillor K Dolby returned.

034 Councillor H Lorimer left the room at 8:20pm and returned at 8:21pm.

035 **11.2 Partnership Scheme in Conservation Area (PSICA) (formerly Sleaford Shop Front Grant Scheme)** - Councillor B Allan spoke about properties that will receive funding in a variety of locations around the Town. No more meetings are planned due to the budget being spent. This item was noted.

FC.12 Clerk/Deputy Clerk's Report – External Affairs

036 **Local Elections May 2019** – The Clerk gave a verbal update and after being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to use the co-option process to fill the 2 vacancies in the Quarrington and Navigation Wards and instruct the Clerk to start with this process, as soon as possible. Vote: for 14 – against 0 – abstained 1. The Resolution was carried.

037 At 8.26pm, after being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to suspend Standing Orders to allow LCC Councillor K Cook to update members. Vote: for 15 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

038 Councillor K Cook confirmed she will be standing down as an NKDC Councillor and she gave thanks for work with STC. Members also thanked Councillor K Cook for her support towards STC.

FC.13 Resolution to move into Closed Session.

039 After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the following item be exempt by virtue of **Paragraph 3** of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as it details information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person including the authority holding that information.



Vote: for 15– against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

FC.14
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NCCD

An NKDC representative gave a brief outline of the proposed project regarding the National Centre for Craft and Design. The following points arose after a question and answer session:-

- NKDC own the building with a 125-year lease of land it stands. This started in 1998;
- NKDC looking to lease part of Eastgate Green on the same terms;
- An indicative size for the extension is some 5-7 metres depth along $\frac{3}{4}$ of the width of the existing building;
- NKDC seeking agreement in principle and suggesting Clerk to the Town Council being involved on the project board;
- Potential improvements to Eastgate Green include more Public Art to encourage and enhance use of green

041 Councillor F Richards left the meeting at 9.07pm.

042 After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the decision is deferred to the new Council whilst seeking answers regarding the tenure of land with the representative from NKDC attending again alongside a Corporate Management Team Representative from NKDC. Vote: for 14 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9:25pm.

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