

Sleaford Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Sleaford Town Council held on Wednesday 23rd May 2018 at 7.00 p.m. at The Town Hall, Quayside House, Navigation Yard, Sleaford

Present: Cllr G Jackson (Chairman)

Cllr A Snookes (Vice Chairperson)	Cllr B Allan	Cllr L Edwards-Shea
Cllr K Fernandes	Cllr M Graves	Cllr H Lorimer
Cllr F Richards	Cllr M Shanahan-Kluth	Cllr S Shanahan-Kluth
Cllr D Suiter (7:31pm)		

Also in attendance Council Officers: Clerk
Members of Public (2) Press (0)

There were no questions from members of the public prior to the meeting.

FC.1 Chairperson's Welcome

001 The Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting.

FC.2 Apologies for Absence

002 Apologies for absence with reasons were received from Councillor S Dale, J Charlesworth, K Dolby, P McCallum, J Mathieson, A Brand and S Clegg.

003 **IT WAS RESOLVED** to accept the above apologies with reasons. Vote: for 10 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

FC.3 Declarations of Interest

004 Cllr B Allan declared an interest in agenda item 8.3, transaction number 13445, due to being the recipient. Cllr M Graves declared a pecuniary interest in transaction number 13469.

FC.4 Minutes

005 Non for this meeting.

FC.5 Chairperson's Report

006 **Mayoral Invitations** - A brief update on attendance at a recent event was given.

FC.6 Planning matters

007 **6.1 Current Planning Applications – 18/0574/FUL –Aldi Store, Mareham Lane, NG34 7JP. Installation of new plant equipment.** After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to accept the officer recommendation for no comment. Vote: for 10 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried. NKDC to be notified accordingly.

- 008 **18/0633/HOUS – The Stables, Cogglesford Mill Cottage, East Road. The Stables, Cogglesford Mill Cottage, East Road. Erection of a 10x8 shed & wood closed panelled fencing with a 1.8m gate.** After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to make no comment. Vote: for 7 – against 1 – abstained 2. The Resolution was carried. NKDC to be notified accordingly.
- 009 **6.2 Standing Orders for Planning Matters** – The Clerk and Chairman both gave clarity over planning applications and proposals at meetings. This was noted.
- FC.7 Panel Reports**
- 010 **7.1 Culture, Events, and Markets** – Nothing for this meeting.
- 011 **7.2 Finance & Assets** – Nothing for this meeting.
- 012 **7.3 Services** – Nothing for this meeting.
- FC.8 Finance**
- 013 **8.1 Regular Direct Debits/Standing Orders for retrospective approval** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £17,877.37. Vote: for 10 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 014 **8.2 BACS payments made for retrospective approval** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the lists totalling £1,160.56. Vote: for 10 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 015 **8.3 Pending BACS payments for approval** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £11,427.58. Vote: for 8 – against 0 – abstained 2. The Resolution was carried.
- 016 **8.4 Pending cheque payments for approval** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the list totalling £550.00. Vote: for 10 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 017 **8.5 Request for 2 volunteers to sign paperwork** – Councillors A Snookes and B Allan volunteered.
- FC.9 Internal Affairs**
- 018 **9.1 Lease of Drove Lane Allotment Site** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to note the report and authorise the Clerk to sign the lease on behalf of the Council. Vote: for 10 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 019 **9.2 Land to the East of Poplar Farm, South of A17 at Holdingham** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Sleaford Town Council enter into detailed discussions with NKDC and LCC, if appropriate, about the provision of a substantial quality recreational area on the West Side of the Town. Vote: for 10 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.

- 020 **9.3 Christmas Market** – an update was given regarding the costs involved with traffic management.
- 021 Cllr D Suiter entered the meeting at 7:31pm.
- 022 After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Christmas Market event goes ahead in the form currently agreed by the Christmas Market Group. Vote: for 10 – against 1 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- FC.10 Clerk’s Report – Internal Affairs**
- 023 **10.1 Panel Membership 2018/19** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Panel Membership agreed in the Meeting held on 16th May 2018, is ratified. Vote: for 10 – against 1 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 024 **10.2 Clerk’s Management Team** – After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to defer this item to a future meeting. Vote: for 10 – against 1 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- 025 **Judicial Review** – The Clerk updated Councillors that the Judge found in favour of the first and seconded defendants. The formal Judgement would be received in approximately 8 weeks.
- FC.11 External Affairs**
- 026 **11.1 Sleaford In Bloom** – Cllr M Shanahan-Kluth gave an update from meeting held on 8th May 2018. This was noted.
- 027 **11.2 Sleaford Regeneration Group** – It was agreed to defer this item to a future meeting.
- FC.12 Clerk’s Report**
- 028 **Freedom of Sleaford** – RAF Digby accepted the offer of the Freedom of Sleaford. This was noted.
- FC.13 Resolution to move into Closed Session.**
- 029 After being proposed and seconded, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to exclude the public and press for the consideration of the following matter. Vote: for 11 – against 0 – abstained 0. The Resolution was carried.
- FC.14 HR Related Matters**
- 030 The Clerk gave a verbal update regarding the Administration Team restructure consultation and a forthcoming long-term sickness absence review.

There being no further business, the Chairperson thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 7:56pm.