

**SLEAFORD TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Full Council** held on
Wednesday August 29th 2012 at 7:30pm
in The Source, Southgate, Sleaford

PRESENT: Councillor T Mayfield (Mayor)

Cllr M Allan	Cllr D Andrews	Cllr D Birks
Cllr J Charlesworth	Cllr K Dolby	Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford
Cllr K Fernandes	Cllr M Graves	Cllr J Mathieson
Cllr D Suiter	Cllr G Titmus	Cllr J Titmus
Cllr B Watson (Deputy Mayor & Leader)		

Also Present: Mrs S McIntyre (Clerk), Mrs M Waddingham (Assistant Clerk), Mrs L Savage (RFO), C/Cllr Hagues, a representative from the press and 1 members of the public.

The Chairman welcomed all present.

FC.1 APOLOGIES. Apologies, with reasons, had been given to the Clerk from Councillors D Vere-Critchler, G Jackson and I Dolby. These were accepted.

FC.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. There were none.

FC.3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT. There was nothing to report.

FC.4 CLERK'S REPORT.

- Co-option. STC may now Co-opt a new member.
- Core Strategy Meeting – Monday September 3rd at 6:30pm at NKDC Offices.
- London Road Development – Thursday September 13th at 6:30pm.
- Councillor & Chairman Training – Councillors, Chairman & Vice Chairman still have not attended training. Chairman & Clerk Training – Wednesday 17th October at Saxilby. Councillor Training – Wednesday 14th November at Caythorpe.
- Disclosable Pecuniary Interest training – September 6th at 7pm at NKDC.
- 80th Celebration of St. Botolph's Community Centre – October 7th at 11am.
- Royal British Legion Tickets.

FC.5 FINANCIAL MATTERS.

- Finance Report. This was noted.

FC.6 MINUTES. To look at the Clerk's Notes from the meetings held on July 18th and August 1st, and accept them as Minutes of those meetings.

July 18th 2012

It was proposed by Cllr G Titmus, and seconded by Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford, that the Notes from July 18th 2012, be accepted as Minutes of that meeting.

Vote – 13 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed and the Chairman signed the Minutes.

August 1st 2012

It was proposed by Cllr D Suiter, and seconded by Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford, that the Notes from August 1st 2012, be accepted as Minutes of that meeting.

Vote – 13 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed and the Chairman signed the Minutes.

FC.7 COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES: To take note of the Clerk's notes from the last round of committee meetings which will then go to their next meetings for approval as Minutes. Finance and Strategy, July 11th, and August 15th, Services, July 25th 2012, General Purposes, August 1st, 2012, Personnel, July 23rd and August 8th, 2012.

These were noted en-bloc.

FC.8 FROM OTHER COMMITTEES/WORKING GROUPS

a) General Purposes: Web site – report about enquiries with LCC web site and users.

There were various concerns regarding the regarding the Web Site.

It was proposed by Cllr J Charlesworth and seconded by Cllr M Allan that this item is referred back to the General Purposes Committee to better define what the Town Council requires from its Web Site.

Vote – 13 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed.

b) Personnel Committee: New Management Committee. Personnel Committee recommends formation of a new Management Committee and recommends Cllrs BW, MG and JT form that committee.

It was proposed by Cllr K Dolby and seconded by Cllr D Suiter that Cllr B Watson, Cllr M Graves and Cllr J Titmus form a new Management Committee.

Vote – 13 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was passed.

c) Services Committee:

- Terms of Reference – approve Services' TOR and agree format for other committees.

Cllr G Titmus explained the report and recommended that all Committees adopt this as a template for their TOR and to adopt for the remainder of the year.

After more discussion, it was proposed by Cllr T Mayfeild that the Standing Orders Working Group discuss the matter further. Seconded by Cllr J Charlesworth.

Vote – 14 for. The Resolution was passed.

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- War Memorial – additional names; re-dedication of the War Memorial.

Cllr G Titmus explained his report.

There was a discussion about keeping names upto date.

Cllr M Graves said this should be agreed to in principle to set parameters and then consult with people of Sleaford, as to what they want.

It was proposed by Cllr G Titmus and seconded by Cllr K Fernandes that the Council agrees in principle of the placing of names of local members of the British Armed Forces who have lost their lives whilst on active service since World War 2 on Sleaford's Town War Memorial.

Vote – 14 for. The Resolution was passed.

It was proposed by Cllr G Titmus and seconded by Cllr M Allan that the Council agrees that a form of re-dedication of the War Memorial would be fitting this year at the Remembrance Service and that those members of the public who contributed to the renovation of the War Memorial be invited to attend.

(If the preceding recommendation is agreed)

That the Town Clerk liaise with Sleaford Branch of the Royal British Legion and the Vicar or Sleaford (or his deputy) to include a re-dedication element to the 2012 Remembrance Service. Additionally that the Town Clerk enquire of the Sleaford RBL whether a small number of invitees of the Town Council could be included in any post service reception that the RBL might be considering.

Vote – 14 for. The Resolution was passed.

FC.9 REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES. Any Councillor who has represented the Council on their nominated outside body is asked to report to the Full Council meeting after this representation.

Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford reported on a recent meetings he had attended with Sleaford In Bloom.

Cllr D Sutier reported on Almshouses.

Cllr G Timus reported on a recent meeting with the Sleaford Museum Trust.

Cllr M Graves reported on the BID.

FC.10 OTHER AD-HOC COUNCIL REPRESENTATION – Councillors invited to meetings etc on an ad-hoc basis – are asked to report to the Full Council meeting following their meeting.

Cllr J Charlesworth reported on a Holdingham residents' meeting.

FC.11 GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE. The Clerk is now qualified. To decide/resolve whether the Town Council wishes to adopt the GPC.

The Clerk clarified this.

It was proposed by Cllr D Suiter and seconded by Cllr M Allan that STC adopts the General Power of Competence, with effect from the date of this meeting. All the quality criteria have been fulfilled.

Vote – 13 for and 1abstention. The Resolution was passed.

FC.12 THE ROLE OF THE LEADER. Agree terms of reference.

A draft report had been circulated.

There were some questions which were answered.

Some amendments were made to the position and role of the Leader.

It was proposed by Cllr J Mathieson and seconded by Cllr D Suiter to accept, with the amendments, the position and role of the Leader.

Vote – 12 for and 2 abstentions. The Resolution was passed.

FC.13 TOWN FUND. To note and receive a report from the Town Fund committee relating to the half year grant allocation.

This meeting was noted.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:30pm.