

**SLEAFORD TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting of the **General Purposes Committee** held on
Wednesday 4th March 2015 at 7:30pm
at The Source, Southgate, Sleaford

PRESENT: Cllr G Jackson (Chairman)

Cllr M Suffield (Vice Chairman)
Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford
Cllr K Fernandes

Cllr S Fields
Cllr T Mayfield
Cllr D Suiter

Also Present: Council Officers – Clerk to the Council and Office Manager.
Cllrs P McCallum and A Snookes.
Press (0) and Members of Public (1).

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

GP.1 APOLOGIES

Apologies with reasons were received from Cllr K Dolby. The attendance register was completed.

GP.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. To receive declarations of pecuniary interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to receive declarations of personal interests.

There were none received.

GP.3 MINUTES

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the Notes from 14th January 2015, be accepted as Minutes of that meeting. Vote – unanimous. The Resolution was carried. The Chairman signed the Minutes.

GP.4 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr G Jackson welcomed new Cllr A Snookes to the meeting and although he is not a member of the Committee, he was invited to remain and make comments, but would be unable to vote.

Cllr G Jackson informed the Committee that he is attending the Chamber of Commerce Breakfast on Friday 6th March, to give, by invitation, a presentation on Sleaford Town Council.

GP.5 CLERK'S REPORT.

5.1 Action Log – the log was noted.

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GP.6 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT - to receive the latest Committee report.

IT WAS RESOLVED to accept this report. Vote – unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

GP.7 UPDATES/PROGRESS REPORTS.

7.1 Website Analytic Data – the data was noted.

GP.8 CHRISTMAS MARKET

Cllr G Jackson informed the Committee that the Christmas Market was already being advertised on social media and that there was lots of positive response already.

The notes from the Christmas Market meeting were noted.

GP.9 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

9.1 The report by the Project Lead on the Christmas Lights was noted.

GP.10 ST GEORGE’S DAY WORKING GROUP

10.1 Cllr D Suiter gave an explanation and outline of the plans for this year’s St George’s Day Market and events.

The report by the Office Manager was noted.

IT WAS RESOLVED to include Cllr A Snookes on the St George’s Day Working Group. Vote – unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

IT WAS RESOLVED that Cllrs K Fernandes, A Snookes and S Fields meet, to make a recommendation to the F&S Committee, on the type of generator to purchase, costings, proper uses and where it would be stored. Vote – unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

GP.11 SLEAFORD TOWN FUND

Cllr G Jackson explained the outcome of the recent Town Fund meeting and the grants that will be given to those groups who applied for funding.

The summary report of the panel awards was noted.

GP.12 COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Election nomination packs are now available for anyone wishing to stand, with explanatory notes.

GP.13 RESOLUTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION. To propose that “in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is

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advisable in the public interest that the press and the public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw”.

Vote – Unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

GP.14 PUBLISHING OF INFORMATION ON THE WEBSITE, to receive advice from LALC

The advice from LALC was noted.

IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the advice of LALC. Vote – unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.07pm.

Office Manager
Sleaford Town Council
5th March 2015

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