

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Full Council** held on
Wednesday May 30th 2012 at 8:00pm
in The Source, Southgate, Sleaford

PRESENT: Councillor T Mayfield (Chairman)

Cllr M Allan	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 D Vere-Critcher

Also Present: Mrs S McIntyre (Clerk), Mr S Fletcher (Interim Deputy Clerk), Mrs M Waddingham (Assistant Clerk), Mrs L Savage (RFO), 1 member of the public and a representative from the press.

Prior to the start of the Meeting, a question was received from a member of the public.

Cllr John Charlesworth was elected as Vice Chairman, for this meeting only.

The Chairman welcomed all present and thanked everyone for voting him in last week.

FC.1 APOLOGIES. Apologies, with reasons, had been given to the Clerk by Councillors D Andrews, D Croker, I Dolby, G Jackson and B Watson. These were accepted.

FC.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. There were none.

FC.3 CLERK'S REPORT, If any. This will include any item from Public Speaking not requiring a resolution.

- The Clerk reminded members of the confidentiality of Closed Session and breach of this is very serious.
- Delay of the Olympic Torch may be late arriving in Sleaford on 27th June, therefore, Finance & Strategy Meeting to be moved to 4th July, due to road closures.

FC.4 MINUTES. None for this meeting.

FC.5 CLERK'S NOTES. To look at the Clerk's Notes from the last round of committee meetings which will then go to their next meetings for approval as Minutes. Services, April 18th 2012, General Purposes, April 25th 2012, Personnel, May 2nd 2012 and Finance & Strategy, May 16th 2012.

These were noted en-bloc.

FC.6 FINANCE:

a) To receive Financial Report. There was no report for this meeting.

- b) Recommendations from Finance & Strategy May 16th, regarding transfer, virements etc.

It was proposed by Cllr D Suiter and seconded by Cllr M Graves that the following be agreed:-

Proposed use of Year End Surplus calculated as of end of February

Transferred to 2012/13	£20,000	Toilets – Money’s Yard
Earmarked Reserves	£5,000	Car Park Repairs
Earmarked Reserves	£5,800	Capital Program – Garages
Earmarked Reserves	£25,000	Eastgate Car Park
Earmarked Reserves	£4,100	Christmas Lights
Earmarked Reserves	£4,000	Major Equipment
Earmarked Reserves	£3,100	Electrical Costs
Earmarked Reserves	£20,000	Capital Program - Cemetery

Vote – 13 for. The Resolution was passed.

- c) End of year – to receive and approve end of year accounts and records.

It was proposed by Cllr M Graves and seconded by Cllr K Dolby to approve the end of year accounts and records.

Vote – 13 for. The Resolution was passed, the Chairman signed the end of year records.

- d) External Audit document – to receive and approve Section 1, the accounting statement and complete Section 2

It was proposed by Cllr M Graves and seconded by Cllr K Dolby to approve Section 1 of the document.

Vote – 13 for. The Resolution was passed. The section of the document was signed. The Council completed Section 2 in the meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr M Graves and seconded by Cllr K Fernandes to approve section 2 of the audit document.

Vote – 13 for. The Resolution was passed, the section of the document was signed.

FC.7 ATTENDING OTHER MEETINGS/ORGANISATIONS. Any Councillor who has represented the Council in other meetings/organisations/events, is asked to report to the Full Council meeting after this representation.

Councillors B Dunbar-Beckford, J Charlesworth, D Vere-Critcher, J Mathieson, G Titmus and D Birks all gave a brief report of their attendance on their organisations.

FC.8 SLEAFORD MUSEUM TRUST – To note information from their presentation earlier in the evening and forward any specific items to the relevant committee(s).

The Chairman said the earlier presentation from the SMT had been very good. He said he felt this was the start of Sleaford being revitalised.

Discussions about the next stage and possible lease will be in the next Finance & Strategy Committee Meeting.

FC.9 RESOLUTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION.

There was no support for this Resolution. The meeting remained in open session.

FC.10 FIELDS IN TRUST - Cllr K Dolby – will summarise a meeting with QE II Fields in Trust representative. Councillors are asked to consider accepting a proposal to place the Recreation Ground in Trust.

Cllr K Dolby said that he, Councillors B Watson, D Suiter and D Vere-Critcher had met with Mr J Leeson from the Fields In Trust. A Report had been circulated.

Cllr K Dolby clarified some points by there were many questions.

It was proposed by Cllr M Graves and seconded by Cllr D Birks that the Town Council agrees in principle to proceeding with the idea of registering the Recreation Ground as a QE II Playing Field. Mr J Leeson to be asked to attend a meeting to clarify some points.

FC.11 CONDUCT OF COUNCILLOR – Report from Clerk.

Cllr D Vere-Critcher moved without notice that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are advised to withdraw. Seconded by Cllr M Allan.

Vote – 13 for. The Resolution was passed.

The Clerk briefly explained some problems in arranging a meeting with a Councillor.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:02pm.