MABLETHORPE AND SUTTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Held on 6th July 2015

Present: Cllr G Cullen (in the Chair)

Cllrs T Brown	J Carter	Mrs J Cook
R Dawes	B Dobbs	R Hansford
D Mellor	Mrs M Morgan	D Morling
S Palmer	Ms H Parkhurst	K Pinion
Mrs D Russell	C Sweeney	Mrs J Taylor
C Tebbutt		

Absent: Cllrs A Howard, T Mee

In attendance: Cllr Mrs A Reynolds, LCC
Reverend Peter Liley
Mr S Fletcher (Town Clerk)
Mrs S Archibald (Assistant to the Town Clerk)
1 member of the Press
10 members of the public

Prior to the commencement of the meeting a presentation on the work of the Alzheimers' Society was made by Mr Gary Burrs.

The member of the Press present wished to raise awareness that publicity would be given to community groups free of charge.

A member of the public present wished to raise the issue of difficulty hearing Members speaking whilst standing.

Prayers were led by Reverend Peter Liley.

The meeting commenced at 7.35 p.m.

27. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE LOCALISM ACT 2011**

There were none.

28. **TO APPROVE AS CORRECT RECORDS THE NOTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 18TH MAY 2015 AND THE EXTRA ORDINARY MEETINGS HELD ON 1ST, 8TH AND 15TH JUNE 2015 AND TO AUTHORISE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE OFFICIAL MINUTES**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the official minutes of the Annual meeting of the Council held on 18th May 2015 and the extraordinary meetings held on 1st, 8th and 15th June 2015 be approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

29. **TO RECEIVE THE NOTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS AND ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS AS INDICATED**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the following committees be approved:

(i) Planning Committee 1st June 2015
(ii) Community Amenities Committee 8th June 2015
Cllr C Sweeney wished to bring to the attention of the Council, in particular, the recommendation at minute 6.
It was:
Resolved: That all recommendations be approved.
(iii) Administration Committee 15th June 2015

30. **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MAYOR, MEMBERS OF LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL, EAST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL, POLICE, TOWN COUNCIL'S WORKING GROUPS, REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES AND THE TOWN CLERK**

The Council received various reports, both tabled and oral.

31. **APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS**

(i) Members were asked to ratify appointments by way of substitution or addition to the membership of each Committee/working group, with Standing Orders amended as necessary.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: (a) That the following appointments be approved:

Cllr J Carter – Administration Committee
Community Amenities Committee
Cllr B Dobbs – Community Amenities Committee
Cllr R Hansford - Administration Committee
Community Amenities Committee
Planning Committee
Contracts Working Group
Council Properties Working Group

(ii) Members were asked to make appointments to the vacant seats on:

Acre Gap Advisory Group (2)	Community Safety (1)
Council Properties (1)	NDO/CLP (1)
Events Partnership/Illuminations Switch on (1)	MAP CIC (1)

It was further
Resolved: (b) That the following appointments be made:
Cllr J Carter – Council Properties and Events Partnership/Illuminations Switch On.

32. **RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GRANTS WORKING GROUP**

Members' approval was sought to the recommendations of the Grants Working Group in respect of first tranche of grant awards for 2015/16.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the first tranche of grant awards 2015/16 as presented, be approved.

33. **MABLETHORPE & SUTTON BEACH HUTS**

The Town Clerk reported on the current state of play with regard to the beach hut steering group. A meeting would shortly be held with ELDC to determine a way forward, with outcomes reported back to a future meeting.

34. **CONDITION OF ROAD TO TRUSTHORPE ALLOTMENTS**

Following discussion around the various options for repair/maintenance of the roadway to Trusthorpe Allotments, it was:
Resolved: That the Town Clerk, Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chairman of the Community Amenities Committee meet with representatives of the Allotments Association to discuss a preferred way forward to be taken for consideration to the next meeting of the Community Amenities Committee.

35. **FUTURE OF FLOOD BOAT AND TRAILER**

Following discussion around various possible options for the retention, repurposing or disposal of the flood boat and trailer:-

It was:
Resolved: That the various proposals be taken for consideration to a future meeting of the Community Amenities Committee.

36. **ANNUAL REPORT OF FITNESS PLAY EQUIPMENT**

Members received the annual report of inspection of the play equipment with a recommendation from the Town Clerk that information signs be mounted on the equipment with details of who to contact in the event of failure of the equipment.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the recommendation of the Town Clerk be accepted.

37. **MARKET MATTERS**

(i) The Town Clerk reported that complaints had been received from several traders on Victoria Road alleging loss of business on market day due to the High Street road closure and traffic diversion; and (ii) Members were asked to consider providing 2 x finger post signs directing shoppers to Victoria Road, in an attempt to alleviate the problem of loss of trade on market day.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: (a) That, whilst reaffirming the Town Council's resolve that the market is in the right place, the Town Clerk be authorised to purchase 2 x finger post signs directing shoppers to Victoria Road, at a cost of c.£215.00.

(iii) Members were asked to consider and decide how to proceed to establish a Monday market during the summer at Sutton on Sea.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: (b) That authority be delegated to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Markets Consultative Working Group and Chairman of the Community Amenities Committee, to establish a service level agreement with the Meridale Centre to hold a Monday market in the car park and to canvass opinion from local stores, giving priority allocation to Sutton on Sea businesses in the first instance.

38. **REQUEST FOR SWIMMING SUBSIDY – MABLETHORPE PRIMARY ACADEMY**

A request for funding had been received from Mablethorpe Primary Academy in respect of a swimming subsidy.

The Town Clerk advised that provision from the community safety budget under S.137 spending could be made and Members were asked to decide whether or not this should be granted.

It was proposed and seconded that a sum of £600.00 be allocated from the community safety budget head 2015/16 in respect of a swimming subsidy to Mablethorpe Primary Academy, to be reviewed prior to next year's budget setting; which motion on being put to the vote was declared **LOST**

39. **REVIEW OF BANKING ARRANGEMENTS**

(i) To ratify cheque signatories for 2015/16 (5 authorised of which 2 sign);
(ii) To consider overall holdings with regard to financial services compensation scheme arrangements;
(iii) To nominate 2 persons (from the Administration Committee) to carry out monthly bank reconciliation checks.

Following some discussion around the various options for safekeeping of Council funds, it was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: (a) That the cheque signatories for 2015/16 be ratified;
(b) that the reallocation of Council funds across its bank holdings be deferred to an extraordinary meeting of the Administration Committee to allow for an informed decision to be made; and
(c) that Cllrs Ms H Parkhurst and Mrs J Taylor be appointed to carry out monthly bank reconciliation checks and that Financial Regulations be reviewed to include this.

40. **MEMBERSHIP OF LALC COUNTY COMMITTEE**

Members were asked to nominate two Member/staff representatives for a four year term to the LALC County Committee.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the two nominated representatives be the Town Clerk and Cllr A Howard, with three reserve members, namely, Cllrs Ms H Parkhurst, C Sweeney and Mrs J Taylor.

41. **TO CONSIDER AN OFFER FROM THE LEADER OF ELDC, CLLR CRAIG LEYLAND, TO ATTEND A FUTURE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the Town Clerk be instructed to accept Cllr Leyland's offer to address a future meeting of the Town Council, with any questions to be provided to him in advance of the meeting.

42. **TO AUTHORISE SIGNING OF ORDERS FOR PAYMENT AND TO NOTE INCOME FOR MAY 2015**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: (a) That orders for payment made to the sum of £9170.04 in May 2015 be authorised; and
(b) that income for May 2015 in the sum of £1811.00 be noted.

43. **MATTERS FOR GENERAL INTEREST AND NOTING ONLY, OR FOR INCLUSION IN A FUTURE AGENDA.**

(a) Cllr D Morling queried when the grounds maintenance and markets' contracts would be available for review.

(b) Cllr S Palmer wished the subject of the Market Charter Historic Market Town promotion to be a future agenda item.

(c) Cllr S Palmer further requested that the Council review the audio facilities in the Community Room.

(d) Cllr Mrs J Taylor wished to congratulate the Town Clerk on an excellent result achieved in his first two completed modules in Community Governance. All concurred with a round of applause.

The meeting closed at 9.45 p.m.