

MABLETHORPE AND SUTTON TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
TOWN COUNCIL**

Held on 30th January 2017

Present: Cllr Mrs J Taylor (in the Chair)

Cllrs T Brown	Mrs J Cook	G Cullen
R Dawes	B Dobbs	R Hansford
M Gregory	A Howard	A Mee
D Mellor	C Matthews	Mrs M Morgan
Mrs P Palmer	S Palmer	Miss H Parkhurst
K Pinion	C Tebbutt	

Absent: Cllr D Morling

In attendance: Mr S Fletcher (Town Clerk)
Mrs S Archibald (Assistant to the Town Clerk)
Mrs Patsy Pike (part)
6 members of the public

The meeting received a presentation from Mr Andy Silvester and Ms Amanda Wain of the East Lindsey Advice Project (ELAP) giving an overview of their work and assistance provided to vulnerable members of the local community. The Chairman thanked the speakers for their informative presentation and congratulated the charity on the work that it does. The public forum was opened and Mr J Gregory wished to thank the Council for its support of the Men's Shed project and advised of some £5000 raised in both funds and equipment in respect of the project to date.

There being no further questions from the public area and in the absence of the Police who had sent apologies, Cllr S Palmer gave a report of County and District Council and District Cllr A Howard further reported on matters at ELDC and in relation to LMDB.

Prayers were led by Mrs Patsy Pike.

The meeting commenced at 7.50 p.m.

92. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The Town Clerk reported that an apology for absence with valid reasons given had been received from Cllr D Morling.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That an apology be noted with valid reasons for absence being accepted from Cllr D Morling.

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

Cllr A Howard wished to declare a non-pecuniary interest in the payment schedule as a business user of Canon Copiers and as Chairman of LALC.

94. **TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 19TH DECEMBER 2016**

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That the official minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 19th December 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

95. **TO RECEIVE THE NOTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETING AND ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS AS INDICATED**

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That the acts, proceedings and recommendations of the following committee be approved:

Planning Committee 9th January 2017

Note: Cllr S Palmer wished to highlight that, although the proceedings of the above committee had been correctly minuted, the report on the Men's Shed would not be presented to this meeting, but was deferred to a future meeting. (Planning 9.1.17, minute 63 referred)

96. **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MAYOR, TOWN COUNCIL'S WORKING GROUPS, REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES AND THE TOWN CLERK**

The Council received an oral update from the Mayor on the various Civic events recently attended and praise for the effective test of the Emergency Plan; she thanked various organisations for donations made to her charity and thanked those who had organised and attended the recent Holocaust Memorial Service held in Mablethorpe Library. Cllr A Mee reported that he too, as Deputy Mayor with Cllr R Hansford, had attended a Civic event. Cllr B Dobbs reported that Trusthorpe Allotment Association was running smoothly, with its AGM due to be held in March. Cllr A Howard reported that, in his capacity as Chairman of LALC, he would shortly meet with LCC Leader Cllr Martin Hill. The Town Clerk's report was tabled, but he further updated the meeting on the date of the next ELDC Area Forum to be held in Alford Church Hall on 14th March 2017. He acknowledged various letters of thanks from organisations recently receiving Town Council grants and reminded Members that the meeting of the Planning Committee scheduled for Monday 6th February had been brought forward to Friday 3rd February 2017.

97. **BENCHES ON SEACROFT ROAD - UPDATE**

Members were advised that the Co-Op had confirmed that it was taking responsibility for replacing the two benches on Seacroft Road, Mablethorpe and that no further action would be needed in this matter. This item was for information only. (TC 19.12.16, minute 89 referred)

98. **PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AT TUPLIN ROAD – UPDATE**

Members received an update on the proposal previously brought to the Town Council regarding the possible provision of a public open space on the land adjacent to Tuplin Road, and were advised that the matter was out of the hands of the Town Council and referred to ELDC and the developer in accordance with the conditions of the S.106 agreement. This item was for information only. (TC 26.9.16, minute 46 referred)

Note: District Cllr A Howard agreed to contact ELDC to establish whether there was any further update.

99. **THE BOATSHED**

In light of local organisations having expressed an interest in taking over the Boatshed premises:-

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That any further decision making on this matter be deferred until such time as interested parties have been invited to contact and meet with the Town Clerk and ELDC, so that alternative options for the use of the premises may be explored.

100. **COASTAL COMMUNITY TEAM**

The Town Clerk presented a brief overview of the key aims of the Coastal Community Team.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: (a) That the Town Council endorses the aims of the Coastal Community Team;

(b) that Cllr A Howard be nominated as the Town Council representative to sit on the Coastal Community Team as a member of an outside body; and

(c) that the inclusion of the Town Council's Business Plan within the Coastal Community Team strategy document be ratified.

101. **BRANCH LINE WALK BRIDLEWAY PROPOSAL**

Following some discussion around the request from the LCC Countryside Services Team for a site visit to revisit the proposal for a bridleway at Branch Line Walk:-

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: (a) That a working group be appointed to meet with LCC Countryside Services Team to carry out a site visit at Branch Line Walk and report back to a future meeting of the Town Council with details of any proposal made; and

(b) the working group to comprise Cllrs R Dawes, A Howard, C Matthews, A Mee, S Palmer, Miss H Parkhurst and Mrs J Taylor.

Note: Cllr Miss H Parkhurst requested that the Town Council obtain a quote for cutting down and replacing damaged trees along Branch Line Walk.

102. **CCTV**

Members were asked to consider and decide upon the method of disposal of redundant CCTV camera equipment.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: (a) That redundant CCTV equipment be offered for scrap to Safe & Sound, providing there was zero cost to the Council; or

(b) in the event that a charge would be made for scrapping of the equipment by Safe & Sound, the equipment to be offered to a contact identified by Cllr C Tebbutt, who would take the equipment at zero cost to the Council.

103. **LCC GRASS CUTTING – UPDATE**

The meeting received an update on revised proposals by LCC to make a transitional payment of 20% of anticipated grass cutting costs for the Parish for 2017 to those Councils willing to take on the verge cutting formerly carried out by LCC, or undertaken by way of a Highways Grass Cutting Agreement. This item was for information only.

104. **PASSIVE SPEED SIGNS FOR CHURCH LANE, MABLETHORPE**

A request had been received for 30mph passive speed signage to be installed on Church Lane, Mablethorpe.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That consideration of this matter be deferred until such time as the new maintenance contract had been awarded under the current tender process.

105. **TO AUTHORISE THE SIGNING OF ORDERS FOR PAYMENT AND TO NOTE INCOME FOR OCTOBER 2016**

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: (a) That orders for payment made to the sum of £38,497.93 in December 2016 be authorised; and

(b) that income in the sum of £2,849.00 for December 2016 be noted.

106. **TO RESOLVE TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 DUE TO THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED IN RELATION TO THE FOLLOWING MATTER:-**

To consider the recommendations of the Contracts Working Group with regard to the award of the following tenders:-

GM01	Grounds Maintenance:	Cemeteries
GM02	Grounds Maintenance:	Branch Line Walk / Miami Hedgerow
GM03	Grounds Maintenance:	St. Mary's Conservation Area
GM04	Grounds Maintenance:	Railway Access/Cycleways/Harris Boulevard
GM05	Grounds Maintenance:	Memorial Seats/Waste Bins/Bus Shelters
GM06	Grounds Maintenance:	Floral Displays/Christmas Trees
MKT01	Markets:	E&D/Sheets/Storage & Delivery
MKT02	Markets:	Road Closures/Traffic Management

This part of the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

Following a short ten minute recess, the meeting continued in the absence of press and public. (Not for publication by virtue of Section 100(a) para. 4 of the Local Government Act 1972, the items being of a confidential nature)