

MABLETHORPE AND SUTTON TOWN COUNCIL

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

Held on 19th June 2017

Present: Cllr A Mee (in the Chair)

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

In attendance: Mr S Fletcher (Town Clerk)
Mrs S Archibald (Deputy Clerk)
Mr O Monk (Admin Assistant)
Mr Nigel Collins (part)
5 members of the public

Prior to the commencement of the meeting an appeal for adult volunteer instructors was made by Major Mark Webber, the officer commanding 4 Company Lincolnshire Army Cadet Force, who gave an overview of the background to the establishment of the Mablethorpe detachment and the current difficulties around running meetings in Mablethorpe due to the lack of adult volunteers. The Chairman thanked Major Webber for his presentation, and assured him that the Town Council would try to assist in spreading the word.

The Chairman opened the meeting for the public forum; a member of the public present wished to thank the Town Council on behalf of Mablethorpe and District Motor Club for its recent grant award.

Cllrs G Cullen and C Matthews gave updates from LCC and Cllrs A Howard, T Brown and S Palmer reported on ELDC matters. Cllr G Cullen wished to congratulate Cllr A Howard on his appointment as Chairman of ELDC; a round of applause ensued.

Prayers were led by Mr Nigel Collins.

The meeting commenced at 7.26 p.m.

17. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were none.

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

Cllr C Tebbutt wished to declare a non-pecuniary interest in respect of a payment to Cass Designs. Cllr T Brown wished to declare a non-pecuniary interest in respect of agenda item 9 as a Trusthorpe allotment holder. Cllr A Howard wished to declare a non-pecuniary interest in respect of payments made to the Post Office and Canon Copiers, and in respect of DSTM on behalf of the Mablethorpe Marathon.

19. **TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE NOTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 15TH MAY 2017**

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That the official minutes of the Annual meeting of the Council held on 15th May 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

20. **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 8th May 2017
- (ii) Annual Town Meeting 30th May 2017
- (iii) Planning Committee 5th June 2017

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

The report of the Town Clerk had been tabled. Cllr A Howard wished to update the Council that the Open Circle of Friends had raised grant funding and successfully refurbished the kitchen and toilets, but were working on raising funds to replace the main door. Cllr Mrs J Taylor reported on the Sutton Carnival event.

22. **GRASS CUTTING AGREEMENT WITH LCC**

The Town Clerk updated Members on issues which have arisen around signing the proposed grass cutting agreement with LCC. A definitive map of the areas to be cut was awaited in light of recent and ongoing changes to the designated cutting parameters.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That consideration of this item be deferred until the Town Council is provided with an accurate and comprehensive agreement.

23. **COUNCIL E-MAILS**

Following receipt of information from the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) in respect of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) in 2018, the Town Clerk advised that it was necessary as part of this process to standardise email accounts for staff/elected Members in order to protect individuals, the corporate body and reputation.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That standard, Council designated, e-mail addresses be provided for use by all Town Councillors for Council business.

24. **MABLETHORPE BATHING BEAUTIES ARTS & CRAFT FESTIVAL 2017**

Members considered a proposal to donate free use of Queen's Park beach huts for the Mablethorpe Bathing Beauties Arts & Craft Festival due to be held on the weekend of 16th/17th September 2017.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That, in accordance with the Town Council's aims of promoting and extending the holiday season, the Town Council supports the continuance of the Mablethorpe Bathing Beauties Arts & Crafts Festival by Coastal Community Media (CiC) by way of donating free use of Queen's Park beach huts for the event proposed on 16th and 17th September 2017.

Note: It was noted that the support of the Town Council should be publicised by the organisers of the event.

25. **TREE AT TRUSTHORPE ALLOTMENT GARDENS**

A request from the Trusthorpe Allotment Gardens Association was considered in respect of an overhanging tree at the allotments.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That in the absence of any evidential proof that the tree in question is diseased, the Town Council does not agree to the request that the tree be lopped, topped or felled.

Note: Should the Allotment Gardens Association wish to provide evidence to the contrary, the matter may be revisited at a future meeting.

26. **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE IN RESPECT OF THE TIDAL BELL PROJECT**

A report of progress with the Tidal Bell Project was tabled. Members noted the foregoing.

27. **TO AUTHORISE THE SIGNING OF ORDERS FOR PAYMENT AND TO NOTE INCOME FOR MAY 2017**

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: (a) That orders for payment made to the sum of £32,483.98 in May 2017 be authorised; and

(b) that income for May 2017 in the sum of £23,589.96 be noted.

The meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.