

MABLETHORPE AND SUTTON TOWN COUNCIL

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

Held on 25th November 2019

Present: Cllr C Tebbutt (in the Chair)
Cllrs A Benjamin T Brown B Dobbs
S Holland A Howard A Mee
C Matthews Mrs H Matthews D Mellor
G Parkhurst Miss H Parkhurst D Richardson
P Russell Mrs A Wain

Absent: Cllrs Ms S Carruthers, Mrs J Cook, G Cullen, Mrs B Cundliffe

In attendance: Mr S Fletcher (Town Clerk)
Mrs S Archibald (Deputy Clerk)

Also present: 5 members of the public
Mrs D McMillan

Prayers were led by Mrs D McMillan and the meeting opened at 7.08 p.m.

68. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The meeting was advised that apologies with valid reasons for absence had been received from Cllrs Ms S Carruthers, Mrs J Cook, G Cullen and Mrs B Cundliffe.

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That apologies be noted with valid reasons for absence accepted from Cllrs Ms S Carruthers, Mrs J Cook, G Cullen and Mrs B Cundliffe.

69. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

There were no individual declarations of interest.

It was noted that a whole Council dispensation for budget and precept setting 2020/21 and authority delegated to the Town Clerk to approve and grant dispensations for budget and precept setting for the 4 year period up to the next ordinary elections had been granted at an earlier meeting of the Town Council.

70. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 21ST OCTOBER 2019

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That the notes of the meeting of the Council held on 21st October 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

71. 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 4th November 2019
- ii) Acre Gap Working Group 4th November 2019
- iii) Events Illuminations Working Group 4th November 2019
- vi) Admin Committee 11th November 2019

72. **FOOTPATH APPEAL – SANDHURST ROAD TO THE PROMENADE, SANDILANDS /SUTTON ON SEA**

It was proposed by Cllr C Matthews that the Town Council considered making a statutory right of appeal under Schedule 14 of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 against the lack of determination by the surveying authority (LCC) in respect of footway/stepped link Sandhurst Road to The Promenade, Sutton on Sea (LCC ref DMMO 331).

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That the Town Council makes a statutory right of appeal under Schedule 14 of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 against the lack of determination by the surveying authority (LCC) in respect of footway/stepped link Sandhurst Road to The Promenade, Sutton on Sea (LCC ref DMMO 331).

73. **PLASTIC FREE COASTLINE**

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That the Town Council reiterates its position in relation to the Plastic Free Coastline endeavour, namely:-

(a) That the appointed Councillor to represent the Town Council on the Plastic Free Community strategic group is Cllr Miss H Parkhurst;

(b) that the Town Council continues to support all Plastic Free Communities initiatives in the area;

and (c) that the Town Council removed all single use plastic items from its premises in January 2019.

74. **BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2020/21**

Following some discussion around budget head 54, public safety:-

It was proposed and seconded that the budget provision be reduced by half to £10,000, which motion on being put to the vote was declared **LOST.**

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That the Town Council accepts the recommendation of the Administration Committee, as presented, with regard to budget and precept proposals for 2020/21 (a true copy of which is signed by the Chairman and appended to the minutes) and instructs the Town Clerk to submit the precept demand in the amount of £614,244 to East Lindsey District Council in due course.

75. **TO AUTHORISE THE SIGNING OF ORDERS FOR PAYMENT AND TO NOTE INCOME FOR OCTOBER 2019**

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That orders for **payment** made to the sum of £59,521.56 in October 2019 be authorised and **income** of £8,970.15 in October 2019 be noted.

The meeting closed at 7.35 p.m.

The Town Clerk wished to make a statement on fairness, propriety and respect.

The Chairman allowed a public forum when members of the public could make short statements to the Council.

Cllr A Mee rose from his seat and joined the public area to make a comment in his personal capacity regarding the absence of the Deputy Mayor at the Sutton on Sea 11.00 a.m. Remembrance Sunday service.

Cllr C Matthews responded with an explanation and account of his attendance at Remembrance Sunday services on the day.

The Deputy Clerk undertook to ensure that a meeting of the Ceremonial Services Working Group be arranged at least three months in advance of Remembrance Sunday 2020 to ensure that a definitive protocol would be in place, with the Mayoral Rules updated accordingly.

A local resident wished to urge Members to be cautious about what information they publish to ensure that information disseminated is accurate and not misleading.

Cllr G Parkhurst wished to pass on good news from Mablethorpe in Bloom that they would be competing in Britain in Bloom Best Coastal Town category 2020.