MABLETHORPE AND SUTTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Held on 25th April 2022

Present:	Cllr	S Holland (Vice-Chairman in the Chair)		
	Cllrs	A Benjamin	Ms S Carruthers	Mrs B Cundliffe
		G Cullen	B Dobbs	C Matthews
		A Mee	D Mellor	G Parkhurst
		D Richardson	P Russell	R Watson

Absent: Cllrs Mrs J Cook, A Howard, Mrs H Matthews, Miss H Parkhurst, C Tebbutt

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

Also present: LCC Cllr N Sear
7 members of the public (part)

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice-Chairman took the Chair and opened the meeting for any questions from the public area.

A local resident wished to highlight parking and road safety issues around the Mablethorpe Primary Academy and urged the Council to support proposed upgrades of the Zebra crossing to a Puffin crossing. The Town Clerk advised that this would be an agenda item on the next Planning Committee meeting, scheduled for Monday 9th May 2022.

Concern was raised around parking on the road and parents using The Forges as a drop off area for the school; the complainant was referred to LCC with regard to Highways' parking and enforcement matters.

A donation was received on behalf of the Mayor's Charity from the organisers of the recent production of The Hunting of the Snark, with thanks extended and a round of applause.

A tabled report of LCC was received, with an oral update by Cllr C Matthews urging local residents to get involved in County Views ideas consultation; a report of ELDC was made by Cllr A Benjamin, in particular highlighting urgent bids being made for rural transport improvements and the need to bring a share of the Shared Prosperity Fund being administered by ELDC, to the Parish. The Town Clerk advised that this would be the subject of an agenda item at the next meeting of the Town Council. In the absence of the Police a tabled report was received, with local residents being urged to call in all matters of concern to the Police, however small.

In the absence of a Celebrant, Cllr Holland led the meeting in The Lord's Prayer.

The meeting commenced at 7.25 p.m.

87. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The meeting was advised that apologies with valid reasons for absence had been received from Cllrs Mrs J Cook, A Howard, Mrs H Matthews, Miss H Parkhurst and C Tebbutt.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That apologies be noted with valid reasons for absence be accepted from Cllrs Mrs J Cook, A Howard, Mrs H Matthews, Miss H Parkhurst and C Tebbutt

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

There were none.

89. **TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE NOTES OF THE MEETING OFTHE COUNCIL HELD ON 21st February 2022**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the official minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 21st February 2022 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

90. **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 7th March 2022 and 4th April 2022
(ii) Personnel Committee 28th March 2022
(iii) Gregory Cup Working Group 22nd April 2022
(iv) Properties Working Group 22nd April 2022

91. **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN (AGAR) 2021/22**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That this item be deferred as the report of the internal auditor remained outstanding.

92. **STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF SUTTON ON SEA FORESHORE**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: (a) That the Town Council makes a public statement that the siting of the beach huts and storage container at Sutton on Sea is not a Town Council initiative; and

It was further proposed, seconded and
Resolved: (b) that the Town Council writes to East Lindsey District Council and the Environment Agency to ask that the beach huts be temporarily removed to allow for a safe siting opportunity to be effected.

At the request of a Member the vote was recorded, as follows:-

A Benjamin	In favour
Ms S Carruthers	Against
G Cullen	In favour
Mrs B Cundliffe	In favour
B Dobbs	In favour
S Holland	In favour
C Matthews	In favour
A Mee	In favour
D Mellor	In favour
G Parkhurst	Against
D Richardson	In favour
P Russell	In favour
R Watson	In favour

93 **PROVISION OF PLAY SPACE LEISURE AND LEARNING HUB MABLETHORPE**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the Town council fully supports the planned installation of a new play area as part of the redevelopment of the Station Sports Centre site.

It was noted that the war memorial will remain in its current location and engagement with stakeholders will take place as the design development progresses.

Note: Clarification would be sought with regard to retention of the gates at the play area.

94. **EIA SCOPING NOTIFICATION AND CONSULTATION EN070008 - V NET ZERO PIPELINE**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the Town Council responds to the Planning Inspectorate as follows:-

(a) Should the proposal go ahead, it urges that all due care and consideration be given and taken with regard to preservation of flora, fauna and local wildlife along the planned route of the pipeline;
(b) that the impact of any future proposed geological disposal facility at the same location be factored into any agreed route/scheme;
(c) clarification is requested on whether a blast zone of 2.5km will be needed along the pipeline and, if so, how this will be achieved given the proximity of local housing infrastructure.

95. **REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR EVENTS WORKING GROUP & EVENT GRANT POLICY**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: (a) That the Town Council adopts the updated terms of reference of:

(i) Events Working Group
(ii) Market Stall Hire Policy

It was further proposed and seconded that the Event Grant Policy be adopted with up to £3,000 grant awarding provision per event, which motion on being put to the vote was declared **LOST.**

It was then further proposed, seconded and
Resolved: (b) That the Town Council adopts the updated terms of reference of the Event Grant Policy with up to £1,000 grant awarding provision per event.

Note: All as presented and amended; a true copy of which amendments have been signed by the Chairman and retained by the Clerk.

96. **UPDATE - LMDB TRUSTHORPE PUMPING STATION REFURBISHMENT**

The Town Clerk gave an oral update in respect of the refurbishment works scheduled for Trusthorpe Pumping Station. Members noted the foregoing.

97. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

The bank balances as at 31st March 2022 were noted as follows:-

Account ending **3703**	£ 848,093.74	Account ending **4082**	£ 98,234.15
Account ending **2423**	£ 8,102.76		

98. **<u>TO AUTHORISE THE SIGNING OF ORDERS FOR PAYMENT AND TO NOTE INCOME FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2022</u>**

It was proposed, seconded and
<u>Resolved:</u> (a) That orders for **payment** made in the sum of **£19,215.11** in February 2022 be authorised and (b) that **income** received in the amount of **£9,851.75** in February 2022 be noted and (c) that orders for **payment** made in the sum of **£70,150.16** in March 2022 be authorised and (b) that **income** received in the amount of **£13,636.36** in March 2022 be noted.

The meeting closed at 9.12 p.m.