MABLETHORPE AND SUTTON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Held on 8th September 2025

Present:	Cllr	C Tebbutt (in the Chair)		
	Cllrs	C Arnold	I Bailey	S Bristow
		V Clark	L Cooper	S Holland
		K Marnoch	D Mellor	G Parkhurst
		H Parkhurst	J Rastall	S Rayment
		P Russell	D Tyler	R Watson
		M Wellby		
Absent:	Cllr	G Cullen	M Nicholson	

In attendance: Mr S Fletcher (Town Clerk)
Mrs D Onyskiw (Admin Officer)

Also present: 6 members of the public
Cllr M Beecham (LCC)
Mr Nigel Collins

Public forum

A member of the public asked the Town Council for an update about the recently vandalised train and railway gate. The Town Clerk advised that it was currently in the hands of the insurers and work will commence on rebuilding the train and gate in the near future.

A member of the public gave a reminder to the Town Council and members of the public about the upcoming bathing beauties festival and Mablethorpe Carnival

Another member of the public wanted to thank the Town Council for their support and funding on the recent successful and well attended event, Gathering on the Green.

Cllr C Arnold highlighted the upcoming ELDC local government reorganisation consultation.

Oral reports of District Councils were provided by Cllrs R Watson and Cllr S Bristow.

Prayers were led by Mr N Collins

The meeting commenced at 7.16 p.m.

30. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The meeting was advised that apologies with valid reasons for absence had been received from Cllrs G Cullen and M Nicholson.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That apologies be noted with valid reasons for absence accepted from Cllrs G Cullen and M Nicholson.

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

There were none.

32. **TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 21ST JULY 2025**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the official minutes of the meeting of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 21st July 2025 be approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman.

33. **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 meetings be approved:

i) Planning Committee 4th August 2025 and 1st September 2025
ii) Personnel Committee 25th July 2025 and 26th August 2025

Note: Cllr L Cooper wished it to be noted in the minutes that she voted against the approval of the Personnel Committee notes held on 26th August 2025.

34. **TO RECEIVE BRIEF REPORTS FROM THE TOWN MAYOR, TOWN CLERK AND REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES (ORAL OR TABLED)**

Representative	Body	Description
Cllr G Parkhurst	Police & Crime	Tabled report
Town Clerk	M&STC	Tabled report

35. **REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDIT 2024/2025**

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That the Town Council received and accepted the report of the External Auditor, PKF Littlejohn, in respect of the 2024/25 Annual Audit and Governance Accountability Return (AGAR).

36. **INSURANCE RENEWAL**

The insurance premium of £13,484.75 (including IPT) for cover 1st September 2025 to 31st August 2026 was noted.

39. **COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS**

a) It is proposed by Cllr G Parkhurst and Seconded by Cllr C Tebbutt that the Town Council undertakes a review of its current committee and working group structure.

b) To consider and deselect Cllr(s) from the following oversubscribed standing committee: Administration Committee – 1 seat

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That, in respect of item (a) above, that the Town Council undertakes a review of it's current committee and working group structure and findings be reported back at a future meeting.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That, in respect of item (b) above, Cllr S Holland be deselected from the Administration Committee.

40. **ANNUAL TREE SURVEYS**

The receipt of annual tree surveys (insurance requirement) with identified necessary works to be carried out in accordance within recommended timescales was noted.

41. **IRIS PAYROLL SOFTWARE – UPGRADE**

The necessary upgrade from the current software to Staffology Payroll was noted.

42. **A GREATER LINCOLNSHIRE FOR ALL**

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: That the Town Council fully endorses and formally supports the East Lindsey District Council, Boston Borough Council and South Holland District Council 'A Greater Lincolnshire For All' proposal recognising the benefits from a joined-up approach to sustainable growth and wellbeing.

43. **FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

a) Bank Balances

To note reconciled and verified bank balances as at 21st August 2025 (latest received statement(s)).

Account ending 3703	£ 185,383.66	Account ending 4082	£ 1,295.22
Account ending 2423	£ 8,362.25	Account ending 8803	- £ 178.59 (27.06.25)

Investment Account CCLA £ 850,000.00 Interest July 2025 £ 3,167.55

b) Orders for Payment and Income

To authorise the signing of orders for payment and to note income for June 2025 and July 2025.

Cllr H Parkhurst wished to declare a non-pecuniary interest as she knew one of the payees.

It was proposed, seconded and
Resolved: That (a) Orders for **payment** made in the sum of **£201,022.67** in June 2025 and **£146,863.63** in July 2025 be authorised and (b) **income** received in the amount of **£27,872.69** in June 2025 and **£27,736.19** in July 2025 be noted.

The meeting closed at 8.14 p.m.