

BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of an ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held in the
THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, QUEEN STREET, BARTON-UPON-HUMBER on
MONDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2016 - COMMENCING at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor F Coulsey (Chairman)

Councillors Mrs A Clark, Mrs J Oxley, Mr J Oxley and Ms J Warton.

Also Present: Councillors J Sanderson, K Vickers & Mrs W Witter. Mr D Witter (Barton Rotary Club) Mr J Clark, Ms S Richards (Town Clerk) and Mrs C Clark (Deputy Town Clerk)

174. **Apologies for Absence**

Councillor Mrs S Evison, Mr J French and Mr A Robinson (Barton Civic Society)

175. **Declarations of Interest**

No declarations were made for this meeting.

176. **Report from Outside Organisations**

(a) **Barton Rotary Club**

Mr D Witter advised the Rotary Club planted daffodils on the A1077 to Barrow Memorial planting, also helped with planting at the Redoubt Copse in Baysgarth Park and is continuing with wildflower plants and snowdrops at the Humber Bridge Viewing Area.

(b) **Barton Lions Club**

Councillor Mr J Oxley advised they are working at Waters' Edge and helped with the bulb planting scheme, they also took 53 elderly people to Brigg Garden Centre.

(c) **Barton Civic Society**

Mr J French provided a written report with an update of work at The Beck, advising the perimeter works and landscaping, along with the outfall manhole grating and cover are complete. Repair of the railings and gates, work to the verges, including crown-lifting of trees and replacement of the two benches are all in hand; water level has risen but not activated the artesian springs. Ongoing maintenance is being carried out and the Lincolnshire Heritage Presentation involving the Environment Agency was well received. The seeded banks being weedy and green algae on the Beck water were mentioned.

177. **Minutes of Meeting held on the 15 August 2016**

It was noted that these minutes had been signed as a correct record, for action as necessary, at a meeting of the town council held on 7 September 2016.

178. **Matters Arising**

(a) **Sites for Public Seats** (Min Ref:- 92/36)

Members were advised seats are part of the Barton Regeneration 2018 Group programme, but other works have priority at the moment and will be looked at later on. Members felt this was something the town council should deal with now rather than left for later. Provision of public toilets at the Interchange and the lack of baby changing facilities in the town centre were also mentioned. Councillor Mr J Oxley would ask Barton Lions Club if they could fund a seat in the town centre area.

(b) **Litter Bin in Station Car Park** (Min Ref:- 93/37)

Members were advised the Barton Regeneration 2018 Group would be dealing with this probably when dealing with extending the car park.

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(c) **Humber Bank Seats** (Min Ref:- 91(c)/36)

The Chairman advised he had met with the seat Contractor and North Lincolnshire Council regarding installing the Humber Bank seats and advised 8 seats would be installed before the end of 2016, as this was the best time of year to carry out the work to protect the wildlife. Four seats have sponsors so far, North Lincolnshire Council will support the Town Council to complete this project within the timescale recommended. Members were also advised the wooden seat on Brigg Road at the town boundary was damaged and would cost £70 to repair. It was agreed to accept these items.

Resolved that:-

- (i) Support of North Lincolnshire Council to help progress the Humber Bank Seats by the end of 2016 be accepted;
- (ii) The cost to repair the wooden seat to be accepted.

179. **Replacing bricks around War Memorial with Asphalt** (Min Ref:- 162(2)(i)/66)

Members discussed the request from Barton Rotary Club and people who currently help to clear the War Memorial. Members agreed they prefer the bricks currently there to asphalt which can also crack and have weeds growing. The plastic notices placed on the Memorial during the Remembrance Day Service by local children were mentioned, as some are coming adrift. Councillors agreed to collect them and place in a binder on site. It was also agreed to send a letter of thanks to Mr Longbottom who always ensures the wreaths are secured to the Memorial after the Service and clears them away each year.

Resolved that:-

- (i) the bricks remain around the War Memorial with regular weed removal by Councillors and not replaced with asphalt;
- (ii) A letter of thanks to be sent to Mr E Longbottom.

180. **Expenditure for 2017/2018 for submission to the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting on Monday 16 January 2017**

Environment Committee Budget

	2017/2018 Budget
Repairs/Renewals	£
Siting	£
Stocking/watering	£ 2,500.00
Street Name Plates	£
Bulb Planting	£ 300.00
Best Kept Gardens	£ 330.00
Hanging Baskets	£ 750.00
Hanging Baskets watering	£ 1,750.00
Litter Bins	£
Remembrance Day Wreath	£ 50.00
CPRE/Yorkshire/Britain/Bloom	£ 30.00
Town Bus Grant	£ 2,200.00
Graffiti cleaning/Vandalism	£
Emergency Contingency	£
Community Planting	<u>£ 5,000.00</u>
	£12,910.00

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Earmarked Reserves for Environment Committee from 1 April 2017

Litter Bins	£ 600
Emergency Contingency	£ 1,000
Graffiti Cleaning/Vandalism	£ 250
Repairs/renewals	£ 3,200
Street nameplates	£ 200
Trees (Civic Society)	£ 300
Castledyke School Bus Grant	£ 2,500
Friends of Baysgarth Park	<u>£ 2,000</u>
	£10,050

During discussion of the above Budget Members also mentioned the large litter bins in the town centre, dog waste bin on the Humber Bank, street nameplates, Friends of Baysgarth Park funding, Aid to Communities earmarked reserve which was to aid the Humber Bank seats and location of new public seats in the town.

Resolved that:-

- (i) A budget of £12,910 to be submitted to the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting on Monday 16 January 2017.
- (ii) Earmarked Reserves repairs/renewals 2017/18 to be increased by £1,000 for seats in the town and £1,000 for seats on the Humber Bank;
- (iii) £2,000 to be added to Earmarked Reserves 2017/18 for Friends of Baysgarth Park;
- (iv) Earmarked Reserves of £10,050 to be submitted to the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting on Monday 16 January 2017;
- (v) A dog waste bin to be purchased from litter bin earmarked reserves for 2016/17 for the Humber Bank near the Humber Bridge, North Lincolnshire Council to be contacted for inclusion in their emptying schedule;
- (vi) North Lincolnshire Council to be contacted for guidance on installation of new public seats in Junction Square, the south side of Caistor Road adjacent to Eastfield Road, corner of Heron car park, Whitecross Street/Market Lane corner, Trinity Methodist Church frontage on Holydyke, Fleetgate/High Street near Lidl/Coach and Horses;
- (vii) Councillors to check for damaged/missing street nameplates for report to North Lincolnshire Council;
- (viii) The seat at junction of Barrow Road/Falkland Way to be turned round as this now looks into the new housing development.

The Chairman, Councillor F Coulsey closed the meeting at 8.05 p.m.

..... Chairman 7 December 2016