

BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING HELD in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, BAYSGARTH
HOUSE, BARTON, on WEDNESDAY 5 APRIL 2017 COMMENCING at 7.00 p.m.

Present Councillor A Todd (Chairman)

Councillors Mrs A Clark, F Coulsey, J Evison, Mrs S Evison, N Jacques, Mrs J Oxley, Mr J Oxley, J Sanderson, Mrs P Sanderson, B Troop, J P Vickers, K Vickers, Ms J Warton, I Welch, Mrs W Witter and D Yellowley.

Also Present Ms L Bennet (Ropewalk & Tourism), Mr R Waltham (Leader of North Lincolnshire Council), Captain A Bawden (Salvation Army), 3 Members of the public and Ms S Richards (Town Clerk).

Prior to the meeting commencing, Liz Bennet gave appraisal of improvement projects for the town, in conjunction with The Ropewalk, Barton Tourism, Barton Regeneration 2018 and Friends of Baysgarth Park Group. There are proposals for new and updating of town signage, including 4 new pictorial signs on the main thoroughfares into the town, kindly undertaken by artist Keith Woodcock. This, together with enhanced website information, would help promote the historical and cultural aspects of the town for the benefit of local residents and tourists alike. The signage would be financed by North Lincolnshire Council. It was also anticipated that some merchandise depicting the town would be available in due course to purchase.

Mr R Waltham (Leader of North Lincolnshire Council) gave a brief statement of the area known as 'Top Field' in the town. He acknowledged the importance of the site, following much discussion with the local MP, Ward Members, local residents and local groups. He had listened carefully to comments, both for and against the site proposals. In light of this, removal of the housing element was deemed to be a way forward. Also to retain a public open space of approximately three and a half acres, plus bunded areas and a nature reserve were being looked into as a compromise to the outline planning application PA/2016/1490. In due course, Barton Town Council are to receive correspondence from him to discuss this matter further.

Ms L Bennet and Mr R Waltham then left the Council Chamber, along with two members of the public.

311. **The Town Prayer**

It was agreed and

Resolved that Captain A Bawden read out the Town Prayer. He then left the meeting.

312. **Notice of Meeting**

It was noted that Notice of this Meeting had been given in accordance with Schedule 12 Paragraph 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

313. **Apologies for Absence**

Councillors Mrs J Mason (on holiday), Mrs D Pearson (unwell), N Pinchbeck (family commitment), and C Ulliott (work commitment).

314. **Declarations of Interest**

Barton Senior Alliance – Councillor Mrs A Clark (Personal Interest)

Barton Town Band - Councillor J Evison (Personal Interest)

Barton Town Band – Councillor Mrs S Evison (Personal Interest)

Planning Application PA/2016/2017 – Councillor N Jacques (Personal Interest)

Barton Lions and the Community Committee – Councillor Mrs J Oxley (Personal Interest)

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Councillor Co-option – Councillor J Sanderson (Personal & Prejudicial Interest)

Community Committee – Councillor A Todd (Personal Interest)

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315. **Co-option of 2 Town Councillors for Park Ward**

Members present agreed to bring this item forward on the agenda. Proposed by Councillor Mr J Oxley, seconded by Councillor J P Vickers and agreed by all members present. Having declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the item, Councillor J Sanderson left the room.

Three candidates were considered for co-option for the two vacant positions of town councillor for Park Ward in Barton-upon-Humber, namely Sallyann Garrard-Hughes, Peggy Sanderson and Ben Troop. All members of the council had previously been issued with a resume of each candidate.

Each candidate gave a brief appraisal of themselves. Members present duly considered the candidates and a vote by a show of hands was taken - 4 votes Sallyann Garrard-Hughes, 10 votes Peggy Sanderson and 12 votes Ben Troop. It was then agreed by all Members present that Peggy Sanderson and Ben Troop be co-opted. Councillor J Sanderson then returned to the Council Chamber.

Resolved

- (i) Peggy Sanderson and Ben Troop be co-opted for the vacant positions of Town Councillor for Park Ward in Barton-upon-Humber;
- (ii) Peggy Sanderson and Ben Troop read and signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office;
- (iii) the Clerk to notify North Lincolnshire Council Election & Democratic Services of the co-options.

316. **Police and Neighbourhood Action Team**

Councillor J P Vickers gave report. Lighting at the Beck has been sorted, there are currently several motorbike and vehicular car crimes being investigated and being brought to justice in the town and a new Chief Constable was being sought for Humberside Police, following Justine Curran stepping down from the position.

317. **Minutes**

(a) **Ordinary Meeting of the Council – 1 March 2017**

Resolved that the previously circulated minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 1 March 2017, be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

318. **Matters of Report Arising**

(a) **'Top Field' Damage** (*Min Ref: 293(a)/120-BTC 01/03/17*)

The contractor who caused damage to the field in order to undertake site investigation work has reinstated the area well. Councillor Mr J Oxley wished to express sincere thanks to Councillor J P Vickers and North Lincolnshire Council for their action to ensure this was carried out.

(b) **Former 'Mama Mia' Premises** (*Min Ref: 289(7)/119 – BTC 01/03/17*)

Councillor Ms J Warton gave thanks for the artwork panels being erected in the above vacant premises to enhance the property and the area.

319. **Other Meeting Minutes**

(a) **Minutes of a Community Committee Meeting**

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1) **Correct Record**

Resolved that the circulated Minutes of a Community Committee Meeting held on 6 March 2017 be approved as a correct record.

(b) **Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting**

2) **Correct Record**

Resolved that the circulated Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on 13 March 2017 be approved as a correct record.

(c) **Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting**

3) **Correct Record**

Resolved that the circulated Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on 3 April 2017 be approved as a correct record.

320. **Matters of Report Arising**

(a) **Picnic in the Park – Sunday 6 August 2017** (*Min Ref: 299(xvi)/123-CM 06/03/17*)

Councillor Ms J Warton made comment regarding the proposal to advertise the 'Best Kept Garden' competition plus other town council information in conjunction with 'Friends of Baysgarth Park Group' at the event, as discussed at the Community Committee meeting. She felt that Councillors attending and assisting at the event needed a particular role to undertake and felt this initiative was ideal. Councillor N Jacques thought it to be a good idea and wished to assist. It was noted that the town council did not own a marquee, projection equipment, whiteboards or display boards. It does own a gazebo though. All Councillors interested in assisting at Picnic in the Park to contact the town council office and/or the Community Committee.

321. **Correspondence**

1. Notification from North Lincolnshire Council Property Asset Team that Barton Civic Society has nominated Barton Public Library, Providence House, Holydyke as an Asset of Community Value. The council has 8 weeks to decide if the nominated property should be added to their Assets of Community Value.
2. Notification that Danwood, the business the town council leases the photocopier from, has been taken over by Apogee Corporation Ltd.
3. Receipt of latest copy of the Highway Programme of Works for the area from North Lincolnshire Council.
4. Copy of agenda and minutes from Barton Tourism Partnership meeting held on 21 March 2017.
5. Notification that Barton Community Band came 1st in the third section of the North of England Brass Band Championships. This win qualifies them for the national brass band finals in Cheltenham in the Autumn.
6. Receipt of Barton Regeneration 2018 meeting agenda for 17 March 2017 and actions arising from their previous meeting.
7. Update on the South Ferriby Sluice Flood alleviation works with the replacement of the east drain tidal doors. They are now progressing with the remaining doors on the sluice structure located on the River Ancholme and hope to be completed by August 2017.

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8. Update on North Lincolnshire Council Winter Service Review Day, with one morning session from 9am-12pm and one afternoon from 1pm-4pm (*Min Ref: 289(1)(i)/119 – BTC 01/03/17*).
9. Notification from North Lincolnshire Council Electoral Services that the current casual vacancies on Barton Park ward can be filled by co-option at the next council meeting (*Min Ref: 289(3)(ii)/119 – BTC 01/03/17*).
10. Receipt of BCCRP meeting minutes, events diary, development plan and Northern Stakeholder Conference.
11. Receipt of map from North Lincolnshire Council showing the proposed Barton Wolds Local Nature Reserve (*Min Ref: 191/80 – BTC 07/12/16*).
12. Request from North Lincolnshire Council Democratic Services that the town council as a collective body and individual town councillors can submit their views on the electoral arrangements for the town council, by Monday 3 April 2017, with particular emphasis on the number of councillors elected to the parish and parish warding. Information on the Review is available www.northlincs.gov.uk/community-governance-review (*Min Ref: 198(3)/84 - BTC 07/12/16*).
13. Notification of Market Consent application by Baysgarth House Museum for market principally selling second hand goods.
14. Copy of response from Humberside Police to the London Terror attack on 22 March 2017 advising everyone to “Be alert, not alarmed” (*copy available from the council office*).
15. Notification that North Lincolnshire Local Plan consultation period for Stage 1 – Initial Consultation has been extended until 18 April 2017.
16. Details of week 1 and 2 grass cutting schedules for the area.
17. Price from Christmas lights contractor for snowfall tubes to use on the current lighting strings, with 1.0m drop £28.95; 0.5m drop £24.00 and 0.3m drop £16.95 per unit. These are a special offer and orders need to be placed before 1 May 2017.
18. Notification from North Lincolnshire Council Licensing of a Premises Licence application by Baysgarth House Museum for the Heritage Building and Museum.
19. Receipt of Barton NAT group minutes from their 14 March 2017 meeting, along with the latest crime statistics.
20. Notification of workshop organised by NHS North Lincolnshire CCG – Shaping Cancer Services on 25 May 2017 1pm at Mercure Hotel, Willerby.

Resolved

- (i) a letter expressing congratulations from the town council to be sent to the band, following their sterling achievement to be able to progress to the finals in the autumn (*item 5*);
- (ii) a member of the town council is required to attend the Winter Service Review Day, to be held on 6 June 2016, at Normanby Hall to represent the town council (*item 8*);
- (iii) Councillor N Jacques gave appraisal of the proposed improvement works to the town’s railway station and gave report of the latest meeting of the group (*item 10*);
- (iv) it was agreed that the unspent budget for the Christmas lighting that went into general reserves following the financial year end 2016/2017, be taken from the reserves in the financial year 2016/2017, to be utilised to improve, upgrade and extend the town’s Christmas lighting 2017. This will enable a special offer on purchasing the lights to be taken up from the supplier in a cost effective way. The Community Chairman to determine the best possible lighting scheme from the options offered to the town council within the budget (*item 17*);
- (v) that the correspondence be received and the contents noted.

322. Correspondence Received Since Issue of the Agenda

1. Copy of Barton Area Food Bank newsletter for April 2017, copy available from the council office
2. Receipt of Barton Carnival grant application form with attachments (*£1,000 has been earmarked in the reserves budget for 2017/2018*).

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3. Copy of grass cutting map for Barton from North Lincolnshire Council which indicates who has responsibility for each public grass area, copy available from the council office.
4. Receipt of Natural England latest e-newsletter on the progress with England Coast Path from Mablethorpe to Humber Bridge then Humber Bridge to Easington. Copy can be viewed at www.gov.uk/government/collections/england-coast-path-improving-public-access-to-the-coast
5. Copy of CPRE Fieldwork newsletter and Countryside Voice magazine, both for spring 2017.
6. Request from Councillor J Evison for the town council to supply 6 galvanised buckets for use by people putting flowers on graves at Barton Cemetery. A small plate saying "PROPERTY OF BARTON CEMETERY" will be added to deter their loss. Councillor Evison will construct two small racks to hang the buckets at no extra cost.
7. Receipt of resignation letter from Alistair Lamyman today as town councillor on Barton Bridge Ward.

Resolved

(i) it was agreed the town council support the cost of the galvanised bucket initiative at Barton Cemetery up to the value of £100. The budget to be taken from the town council's reserves 2017/2018 (item 6);

(ii) that the correspondence be received and the contents noted.

323. **Accounts for Payment**

Resolved

(i) that the Clerk be authorised to pay the accounts as listed in Appendix II in the sum of £10,095.34 (A/cs 1 to 14) and those presented at the meeting in the sum of £6,257.65 (A/cs 15 to 20) - a grand total of £16,352.99;

(ii) petty cash expenses for March 2017 are £35.72;

(iii) the balanced bank reconciliation sheets for February and March 2017 were signed by the Mayor and Town Clerk.

324. **Reports from North Lincolnshire Council Representatives**

(a) **Councillor J Evison**

Councillor Evison gave a brief appraisal of the role of town councillor for the benefit of new members. He encouraged them to bring forward initiatives, be involved in town council events and be positive and pro-active in undertaking the role as part of the town council. He also made reference to the vacancy of Chief Constable within Humberside Police Force with the interviews imminent.

(b) **Councillor J P Vickers**

Councillor Vickers thanked the Mayor, Councillor A Todd, for attending the opening of the new skate park in the town which has already been well utilised. Planning approval has been given to go ahead with the 3G pitch and improvement works and funding was going well for the 'Friends of Baysgarth Park' group.

(c) **Councillor K Vickers**

A new planning application was awaited to be submitted to North Lincolnshire Council for the 'Top Field' site. It would be with the removal of the proposed housing, with changed dynamics to the original outline planning application submitted previously.

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Councillor N Jacques reported anti-social problems with dog poo and improvement/repair works required to the Butts Road Park. It was deemed concerning for the safety and well-being of those using the park in its' current condition, in particular with the fencing and water course. Councillor J Evison to look into the matter.

325. **Reports from Members on Outside Organisations**

(a) **'Songs & Scones' Event**

Councillor Mrs W Witter stated that a 'Songs and Scones' event would take place tomorrow (6 April), 2 pm at St Mary's Church, Burgate. Talented young musicians would provide the entertainment.

(b) **Barton Cleethorpes Community Rail Partnership**

Councillors N Jacques and A Todd had both attended the latest meeting of the group and Councillor Jacques had already given an appraisal of the meeting (*min ref: 321(10(iii)/133 above refers*). It was stated that external grants were available for the group to undertake the improvement works. It was agreed and

Resolved that the town council send a letter of support in principle to the partnership, regarding the proposed improvement works to Barton Railway Station. Outcome of the grant applications the group were to apply for would determine whether the town council would look into the matter further at a later date.

The Chairman, Councillor A Todd closed the meeting at 8.00 p.m.

..... Chairman 4 May 2017