

**BARTON – UPON – HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING HELD at the Assembly Rooms Queen Street Barton on**  
**WEDNESDAY 6 APRIL 2022 at 19.00**

Councillor B Troop (Chairman)

Councillors Mrs A Clark, A Chapman, N Jacques, Mrs C Thornton, P Vickers, N Pinchbeck, C Patterson and Cllr Todd Also in attendance Ms T Broughton (Town Clerk) and three members of the public

**Public Participation.**

Employee of the Coop in Barton Upon Humber wished to alert the council to the last 2-3 months of horrendous anti-social behaviour with customers and staff receiving abuse from teenager hanging around outside the coop. A report has been sent to the Police and Crime Commission and a reply is still yet to be received. Calls are made to the police 3-4 times per night and the police attend around once a week. The police do feel that the town CCTV could be extended from the Market Place. There has been little support from the local policing team. Cllr Paul Vickers has been in touch with the local policing team and the local police office and there is good CCTV footage in their possession. It was suggested that there should be extra police presence. Cllr Paul Vickers is the Chairman of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and suggests that this is brought to the Annual Town Meeting when the Police and Crime Commissioner and local police will be present.

**Cllr Rob Waltham Leader North Lincolnshire Council – Portfolio Place Shaping and Connectivity**

The outcome of the voting for options of the preferred route of the relief road produced an outcome of 62% for Option 1 of those who voted. This now enables the council to be clear with the landowners on what the trajectory of the route is. It is coming towards the end of the preparation for the new Local Plan and there will be another round of consultation which will include the preferred option for the route of the relief road and this will lead to a clear outcome for the consultants.

Interchange – this is now in the final stages of planning and the Heads of Terms are being prepared to continue to the next stage. Levelling Up should be a great opportunity to submit a bid for the funding to complete the project in one go. Cllr Jacques commented that details of the feasibility should be completed it was suggested to put pressure on the Rail Companies to reinstate the timetable back to its pre-pandemic timetable. The MP will be discussing the timetable issues with Rail Companies. Cllr Todd asked if the bus timetables will also be reinstated especially from Hull. Cllr Waltham explained that buses are currently running to 40% capacity. The challenge is to get people back on the buses to create more confidence for bus use. The other interchange area on Falklands Way/Barrow Road is in the panning stages.

Cllr P Vickers asked Cllr Waltham to explain Agenda Item 14 – To formally request North Lincolnshire Council to complete a Governance Review.

Cllr Waltham replied that politically if the Conservatives retain control of North Lincolnshire after the May 2023 elections then a Governance Review will take place for the Parish Councils and there is no reason why a Town Council cannot be included. Any outcome from this would be 2027.

Cllr Mrs A Clark commented that a priority should be public conveniences in the new Interchange as well as maps and information and space for taxis so that people travelling are well informed and have lots of options. It was also commented that there are plenty of options for refreshments with the shop across the road and café at the Ropewalk.

Cllr Troop asked about timescale and to confirm that it was option 1 that was progressing and not option 3 that had a similar route but a lot of additional housing and what the timescales for the deliver of Option 1 for the relief Road. Cllr Waltham explained that the bid will be submitted around July 2022 and November 2022 will have the outcome of the bid and the start of the project.

Cllr Pinchbeck asked how improvements would be made to GP and Dental provision in the town as Central Surgery is 40% over capacity and the dentist is not taking on any new patients. Cllr Waltham did explain that to alleviate this GPs are becoming more resourceful and with the use of telephone appointments have been able to keep up with the extra workload. The CCG are continuing to assist the GPs. There will be contributions from the building of the relief road and discussions with take place with the CCG regarding doctor and dental provision in the town.

421. **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr S Evison (Personal)  
Cllr K Vickers (Personal)

**AGREED**      **Cllr B Troop Proposed, Cllr A Chapman Seconded**  
To accept the apologies given above.  
**Unanimous**

422. **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr A Chapman declared a personal interest in Barton Lions Club and Annual Report  
Cllr Mrs A Clark declared a personal interest in the Senior Alliance Group  
Cllr N Jacques declared a personal interest in Item 7a) Training courses attended  
Cllr B Troop declared a personal interest in Item 7a) Mayoral expenses

423. **Mayor Notices**

Mayor has had a really successful Civic Dinner and £600 was raised on the raffle, a huge thanks to all who contributed

424. **To receive, approve and confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022**

**AGREED**      **Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Pinchbeck**  
That the previously circulated minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record.  
**Unanimous**

425. **To receive, approve and confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the following Committee meetings, Planning Committee Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022, Environment Committee Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022, Community Committee Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022 and Neighbourhood Steering Group Minutes Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022 for noting only**

- AGREED**      **Proposed Cllr N Pinchbeck, Seconded Cllr N Jacques**  
That the previously circulated minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record.  
**Unanimous**
- AGREED**      **Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr A Chapman**  
That the previously circulated minutes of the Environment Committee held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record.  
**Unanimous**
- AGREED**      **Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr A Chapman**  
That the previously circulated minutes of the Community Committee held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record with amendment to Min 406 page 149 should read Viking Way Café.  
**Unanimous**

426. **Correspondence**

1. Chief Executives Bulletin – 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022
2. Local Councils Update Climate Action Plan - March 2022
3. 28<sup>th</sup> April North Lincolnshire Workers Memorial Day – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022
4. NALC Newsletter – 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022
5. NALC Star Council Awards – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022
6. Humberside Police & Crime Commissioner - Community Payback – 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022
7. NALC Newsletter – 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022
8. Chief Executives Bulletin – 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022
9. NALC Events – 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022
10. Chief Executives Bulletin – 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022
11. North Lincolnshire Business Update – 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022
12. NALC Newsletter – 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022
13. NALC Make a Change – 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022
14. Weekly Roadworks List - 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022
15. Chief Executives Bulletin – 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022
16. Local Councils Update April 22 - NALC response to Ethical Standards Report
17. Local Councils Update April 22 - Home Upgrade Grants and Right to Buy Policy
18. Local Councils Update April 22 – Safer Streets Fund: Round Tour

Cllr Jacques asked if Clerks can obtain more information under Item 17 – to see if the grants for Home Upgrades are available to Barton Upon Humber residents.

427. **Finance Matters**

- a) To consider and approve Accounts for payment (Appendix II attached)

**AGREED Cllr Troop Proposed, Cllr A Todd seconded**

- (i) the accounts already approved by F&GP be noted for March 2022 as listed in Appendix II in the sum of £33949.12 (A/cs 301-331)
- (ii) the balanced bank reconciliation sheets for March 2022 were signed by the Mayor and Town Clerk/RFO.

- b) **Realignment of budgets within Environment Stocking and Watering and Community Planting to fund a contracted Handyman**

**AGREED Cllr N Jacques Proposed, Cllr A Chapman Seconded**

To realign budgets from within Environment Committee Stocking and Watering and Community Planting to fund a contracted handyman.  
**Unanimous**

- c) **List of regular payments to contractors and personnel and utilities 2022/23 Recommendations.**

**AGREED Cllr A Todd Proposed, Cllr N Jacques Seconded**

To agree authorisation to pay the contractors as listed in the contractors list 2022/23.

**Unanimous**

- d) **Realignment of underspend on Christmas Festival and Picnic in the Park 2022 – amendment to Min 366 (d) 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022 to include further ex-hire Christmas Lights as agreed that £6K be ringfenced for further Christmas Lights. Leaving a total of £3596 for the Jubilee Event**

Town Clerk explained the costs of the lights purchased so far and the costs for the Jubilee Event. Cllr Todd suggested any over and above the total underspend should be taken from reserves. Town Clerk advised that any potential additional spend to the £9596 underspend should be taken from the agreed £20k main 2022/23 Events Budget.

**AGREED Cllr B Troop Proposed, Cllr A Chapman Seconded**

To agree all of the Jubilee costs so far and a further £1K on entertainment with any further costs to be taken from the Main 2022/23 Events budget.

**Unanimous**

428. **Town Award – to consider and agree on the Town Award Winner 2022**

Town Award voting took place prior to the meeting commencing. There was a draw and the two nominations were voted on by members with a majority vote going to **Mr Adrian Ellis**.

Mr Ellis will be invited to the Annual Town Meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022 and it was all agreed what fantastic nominations had been received this year.

429. **Markets Update – Cllr P Vickers**

Cllr Paul Vickers informed the council of a very successful Food Festival last month. The first general market will commence on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May, not one in June and then the first Saturday of July with the Town Council taken over from August. There has been encouragement with the numbers interested so far. North Lincolnshire Council will pass over 10 new gazebos and will also give the Town Council all of the market procedures and operating instructions. All issues with road closures and costs have been addressed and council will work together to create a successful monthly market.

430. **Update on devolution**

No further updates.

431. **Update from the Assembly Rooms Working Group – Cllr K Vickers**

Cllr Todd introduced the report in Cllr K Vickers Absence. A meeting has taken place with Champ who run the Assembly Rooms. A regular meeting has been requested with the Town Council. Cllr Pinchbeck explained that the notes did not include his question to Champ on number of hours the building required cleaning which was one of the questions the group were seeking an answer to complete the SWOT analysis. He went on to explain that the group are not undertaking the SWOT analysis as directed by in the Terms of Reference approved by Full Council. Cllr Jacques enquired as to the length of time it would take to undertake the SWOT analysis. Already five months have lapsed and there are no results. Cllr Troop stated that the agenda was questioned and additional items were not permitted. Cllr Paul Vickers stated that the Chairman of the group was not present at the meeting and this should be left until the Chairman can answer for himself. Champ have not received the notes and Town Clerk to send as soon as possible. Cllr Todd commented that the hours that a cleaner would be working is confidential anyway. It was suggested any further discussion on this item to be taken to the next Full Council meeting in May 2022.

432. **Consideration of the Assembly Rooms Working Group – Cllr B Troop**

Mayor explained that he did not believe that the Assembly Rooms Working Group is gaining any success in its remit and proposed to disband it. Cllr Jacques suggested that the Clerks obtain three quotes for a project expert to deliver costs and priorities for the council to deliver.

**AGREED**

**Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr P Vickers**  
To disband the Assembly Rooms Working Group.  
**Unanimous**

**AGREED**

**Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr P Vickers**  
To obtain Project quotes for delivery of the renovations and repairs to the building.  
**Unanimous**

Cllr P Vickers explained that this would be a good fresh start and the Assembly Rooms should remain as a standing item on the Full Council agenda. Cllr P Vickers also stated that he had stepped down from his position with Champ. He made the clear point that the SWOT analysis should be completed by the council staff and this would give an independent review.

433. **Town Council Offices – Cllr B Troop**

Cllr Troop suggested that the council investigate the offices being relocated to another location more visible. It was suggested a shop front location would be worth looking into. Cllr Thornton stated that the Town Council Officers should conduct a report and bring the findings to Full Council.

434. **To formally request North Lincolnshire Council complete a Governance Review – Cllr B Troop**

**AGREED**

**Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr B Troop**

To formally write to North Lincolnshire Council to conduct a Governance Review based on the population growth the town has experienced since the last one was conducted.

**Unanimous**

435. **Annual Report – draft copy for approval**

Members were happy with the Draft Annual Report to be published at the Annual Town Meeting.

436. **Jubilee event – approval for the purchase of 500 medals for the Fun Run on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June and delegated authority for the Town Clerk, Mayor and Deputy Mayor in agreement with the Events Working Group for any further expenditure within budget.**

**AGREED**

**Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr Mrs A Clark**

Approval for the purchase of 500 medals for the Fun Run on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June and delegated authority for the Town Clerk, Mayor and Deputy Mayor in agreement with the Events Working Group for any further expenditure within budget.

**Unanimous**

Before the meeting ended Cllr Paul Vickers informed the council that:

Butts Road is due for repair shortly

New Co-Mingled bins have been installed around the town

Green Gym has been installed in Baysgarth Park

20mph zones have been implemented within the town,

Meeting closed at 20.35

..... Chairman      6 April 2022