# SPILSBY TOWN COUNCIL

# Minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2014 at 7pm In the Council Chamber, Franklin Hall, Halton Road, Spilsby.

#### Present: Councillor P Grant (Chairman)

Cllr Rymer (Vice-Chairman)	Cllr Baugh	<b>Cllr Beaumont</b>
Cllr Feek	Cllr Gale	Cllr Iremonger
Cllr Lenton	Cllr Odling	Cllr Pears
Cllr Willis	-	

Also present: Cllr Victoria Ayling

Mrs Bonny Smith (Town Clerk)

# 36. Chairman's Report

The Chairman welcomed all present and opened the meeting at 7.20pm The Chairman reported that he had attended a quiz night at Louth with Cllr Baugh, Bonny Smith and Mrs Grant and that they had acquitted themselves well. He had attended the Schools Music Festival in Spilsby which he said was excellent. He had also attended Mablethorpe Civic Sunday and Cllr Rymer had attended Ingoldmells Civic Service.

He said that in the Sunday Times, Spilsby had been voted the 7<sup>th</sup> best place in the country to live and attributed it, in some part, to the good community spirit. He reported that many residents had commented on the daffodil display on Eresby Avenue and would like the press to take some photographs and write a feature on them.

# 37. Apologies for absence and reasons given

None received. Cllr Odling had advised the clerk that he would be arriving late.

#### 38. Declarations of Interest

To receive disclosable pecuniary interest in accordance with Localism Act 2011. There were none.

# 39. Notes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2014 to be approved as the minutes.

It was proposed and seconded. Agreed as a true record. **Resolved:** The notes are accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.

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# 40. Matters Arising not covered on the agenda

To add an addendum to the next Amenities Meeting regarding planting of the Lime Tree on the Recreation Ground.

#### 41. Emergency Services

The PCSO report that there had been several incidents in the town and has been looking at the CCTV regarding the incident on the 12<sup>th</sup> March. He read out an email from Inspector Ball which had been sent as a result of the email sent by the Clerk regarding attendance at Council Meetings.

#### 42. ELDC/Lincolnshire County Council matters

Cllr Ayling had received a letter from the Head of Libraries at Lincolnshire County Council. This confirmed that the library was not going to close until May 2015 at the earliest. She is going to question the footfall statistics which had been used with the Head of Libraries.

**ACTION**-Clerk to update the press on new suggested closure date of library.

Cllr Odling arrived at 8.20pm

#### 43. Town Clerk's report and Action Points follow-up

The clerk had tabled a comprehensive report her activities.

She reported that a reply had been received from the Conservation Officer regarding the relaying of the cobble stones outside the Old Grammar School and he suggested that a letter be sent to the owners of the building. Cllr Odling suggested that it was a matter for the Conservation Officer and not the Town Council Cllr Pears said that she would pursue the matter. A letter had been sent to the owners 24 March 2014 and a reply was awaited.

#### 44. Payment of Accounts

The Clerk informed the Council of payments due. It was proposed and seconded. All agreed **RESOLVED**: that payment made to the sum of £2645.79 be authorised **ACTION:** Clerk to ensure all councillors have a copy of accounts prior to meeting.

#### 45. Allotments-new tenancy agreement

It was proposed and seconded. Agreed by majority.

#### **RESOLVED**:

- a. To accept the new tenancy agreement with the size of polytunnels no more than 7m x 4 m.
- b. That tenants must live within a 5 miles radius of Spilsby
- c. That all rents shall be paid in advance

**ACTION:** Clerk to send out a letter to all allotment tenants who do not pay in advance.

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Cllr Lenton suggested that agenda item 14 regarding meeting timings be moved to the May Full Council Meeting. It was proposed and seconded. All agreed. **RESOLVED:** To place on May 2014 agenda.

#### 46. Planning consents/refusals

S/165/00185/14 (78 Ashby Road) had consent. S165/02452/13 (59 Boston Road) was refused. The Council had supported the application but the application was refused on the grounds of right to view.

# 47. Planning applications

S/165/00523/14 (Eresby Avenue) Cllr Pears suggested that the application be supported.

It was proposed and seconded. All agreed

**RESOLVED:** To support the planning application.

Cllr Pears asked that it be minuted that the Vale Road and West End applications should have gone on the agenda even though the date had passed for comments.

# 48. Purchase of Microsoft Surface RT Convertible Tablet

Cllr Beaumont said that one was necessary to use with the projector to show presentations and planning applications. The Chairman said that it would have to be signed out from the clerk.

It was proposed and seconded. All agreed

**RESOLVED**: To purchase a Microsoft Surface RT Convertible Tablet.

# 49. To Consider the Tender for pipe work/taps at the allotments

The clerk reported that only one tender had been received even though several contractors had been approached. The Council felt that the amount was too high and that less expensive options were available. Deferred until further investigations made.

**ACTION:** Cllr Odling to investigate costings.

#### 50. Date for Civic Service 2014.

The Chairman said that the Franklin Hall was getting booked and the Methodist Chapel were asking for confirmation of a date.

It was proposed and seconded. All agreed. **RESOLVED:** The date for the Civic Service will be 21 September 2014.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30pm