

SPILSBY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on 26th October 2017 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Franklin Hall, Halton Road, Spilsby.

Present: Cllr M Gale (Chairman)

Cllr Argy Cllr Hodgson Cllr Iremonger Cllr Mangion
Cllr Taylor Cllr Wood Cllr Wright

Also present: Mrs Smith (Town Clerk) 3 members of the public

Following the Public Session, the meeting commenced at 7.15pm

Mr Bugg reported a mole problem in the Play Area and will liaise with the Clerk. Mr Bugg thanked Cllr Hodgson and Cllr Taylor for meeting him at the Playing Fields.

Mr Knight from the Sessions House invited a delegation from the Town Council to visit the Sessions House and would like support of the Town Council. Cllr Argy to liaise with Mr Knight regarding a date for the meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Grant and Cllr Wright. Apologies were not accepted from Cllr Rymer.

Proposed Cllr Gale Seconded Cllr Hodgson and **RESOLVED**.

Cllr Bowkett (County Councillor) and Cllr R Williams (District Councillor) also sent their apologies.

2. Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011

None.

3. Notes of the meetings held;-

24 th November 2016	Proposed Cllr Hodgson Seconded Cllr Taylor	RESOLVED
25 th September 2017	Proposed Cllr Hodgson Seconded Cllr Taylor	RESOLVED
27 th September 2017	Proposed Cllr Argy Seconded Cllr Hodgson	RESOLVED
11 TH October 2017	Proposed Cllr Hodgson Seconded Cllr Wood	RESOLVED

Cllr Mangion arrived at this point 7.20pm

4. To receive reports from Town Mayor, Town Council's working groups, representatives on outside bodies and the Town Clerk.

Mayor- the Mayor reported that he had attended the Royal British Legion in the Franklin Hall and that it has been a good event. He had attended the LALC AGM with Cllr Hodgson and had a lot of information from it. He has also attend the Spilsby Royal British Legion Meeting regarding the Armistice Day for 2018 Commemoration and that the Council would work with the RBL on the event. He had taken part in the Community Clean-up day and although it was wet, it had gone well.

Recreation Ground- Nothing to report

Grammar School Foundation- Nothing to report

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Twinning- The Clerk said that the precept donation had not yet been made and that she would send a form to the Twinning Secretary.

Good Neighbour Scheme- Cllr Argy said that a new Representative was needed as she could no longer do it.

Town Clerk- The Clerk had received a complaint from a resident regarding the Robin Hood Car Park. There was a planning application in to continue the site as a car park for 3 further years. Cllr Taylor said that the car park was a disgrace. There were no markings and Health and Safety was non-existent. Cllr Iremonger said that they were supposed to keep the site clean.

Cllr Hodgson Proposed to reject the application as an eyesore and antisocial behaviour on the car park. Seconded by Cllr Iremonger.

Cllr Mangion was not sure that stopping being a car park would stop this and requested that ELDC be contacted to ensure an enforcement notice is put in place... Cllr Hodgson suggested that the area be cordoned off and to say that this was a unanimous decision of the Council.

RESOLVED

Business Partnership- Nothing to Report

Community Lead Plan- Meeting 6/10/17. Cllr Taylor said that the group had been discussing the elements of the open day which were presented to the Council. Flicks in the Sticks, a mobile cinema, a newsletter. He said that the Council should get behind it. He had a good example of one from Sudbroke.

ACTION-Newsletter to be put on next Community Action Agenda

The group had talked about better link up of social media and want to start another website with all others linked in. Cllr Mangion said community input was needed and suggested a sub-group. Cllr Taylor said that the website would need a moderator.

5. Highways Issues

The Clerk reported Highways had spoken to her regarding the street lights and that when the clocks altered, it may take a couple of weeks for the lights to become fully adjusted regarding coming on and going off.

6. Resolutions from Community Action Committee meeting 11th October 2017

- a. Purchase of new equipment for play area at a cost of £5,000 (approx.)
Proposed Cllr Argy Seconded Cllr Hodgson **RESOLVED**
- b. To investigate cost of replacement matting the Play Area
Proposed Cllr Argy Seconded Cllr Hodgson **RESOLVED**
- c. Cllr Hodgson and Cllr Taylor to compile a report on the boundary fence at the Playing Fields.
Proposed Cllr Argy Seconded Cllr Gale **RESOLVED**

7. Lincolnshire County Council Fairer (LCC) Funding

Cllr Gale gave the background. Cllr Taylor said the Council should mirror the letter sent by Skegness Town Council and contact social partners to support too.

Cllr Gale Proposed the Clerk write to LCC to support what Skegness TC had said to get onto the website to reach as many people as possible. Seconded Cllr Hodgson **RESOLVED**

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8. Action to be taken regarding Town Council Minutes which are not accepted and unresolved.

Cllr Argy said she had not seen any minutes for 6 months and it makes the Council in the gutter. She asked if anything could be done.

They should have been on the website by 30th September 2017.

Cllr Taylor Proposed that 2 Councillors, himself and Cllr Argy assist the Clerk to decipher the notes and produce acceptable minutes for the missing months. Seconded Cllr Argy.

RESOLVED

9. Separate Bank Account for Allotments Income and Expenditure.

The Clerk said that there should always have been a separate account but one had never been set up. Cllr Argy said that had been a proposal in her Allotment Report made last year.

Cllr Taylor said it need governance and the money has to go back to the Allotments.

Proposed Cllr Argy Seconded Cllr Taylor.

It was **RESOLVED** that a new bank account be set up for Allotments

10. Application to erect polytunnel by Mr Thompson Allotment 27B

Cllr Hodgson Proposed to reject the application as it was over the allowed size. Seconded Cllr Argy. **RESOLVED**

ACTION-Clerk to notify Mr Thompson of the decision

11. Committees and Working Groups

The Council reviewed and allocated Councillors to Committees and Working Groups.

ACTION-Clerk to make a list and notify Councillors and put on website.

12. Church Wall Update

Cllr Hodgson said that they were not further on as the structural engineer had been off work but as soon as he went back to work he was making it a priority. The tree stumps still need to be killed off and it is the right time of year to do it. Cllr Hodgson Proposed the clerk obtains quotes for killing the stumps by a recognised company. Seconded Cllr Argy. **RESOLVED**

ACTION- Clerk to contact companies for quotes.

13. Community Led Housing Initiative.

Cllr Hodgson Proposed a sub group to look into this of himself and Cllr Wood. Seconded Cllr Argy. **RESOLVED.**

14. Clerk's Salary, hourly pay increase under National Joint Council Agreement 2016-2018 Salary Award.

Proposed Cllr Hodgson Seconded Cllr Gale **RESOLVED**

Cllr Mangion Proposed a one point Spine Point move from November 2016 Seconded Cllr Hodgson **RESOLVED**

Cllr Mangion said there will be a further review following appraisal in November 2017 and an appraisal in March 2018.

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15. National Employment Savings Trust Pension Scheme for Town Council Employees.

Cllr Argy Proposed that the scheme be adopted. Seconded Cllr Taylor **RESOLVED**

16. Orders for Payment

Proposed Cllr Taylor Seconded Cllr Hodgson
It was **RESOLVED** to accept all orders.

17. Closed Session

Cllr Argy Proposed to move to closed session to consider the complaints received regarding the allotments and decide on action to be taken as they were of a sensitive nature. Seconded by Cllr Hodgson. **RESOLVED**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm