

Minutes of Meeting: FULL COUNCIL
Date and Time: Wednesday 15th February 2023 19.00
Venue: The Old Courthouse

Present: Cllrs Stott (Chair), Blaney, Brock (Vice Chair), L Harris, P Harris, Martin, Perry, Rainbow, Reynolds, Roberts, Thompstone. Lightwood

In attendance L Wright, Clerk. 3 members of the public, 1 member of the press

AGENDA

22/02/167 Apologies for absence - Cllr P Scorer & M Jeffrey -approved

22/02/168 To receive any declarations of interest under the provisions of sections 27-34 and Schedule 4 of the Localism Act 2021-none received.

22/02/169 Approval of Minutes of previous meeting

169.1 Full Council Meeting 11th January 2023 –

Proposed Cllr D Martin Seconded K Roberts

with the following changes – Agenda item 153 to be agreed by Full Council, item 154 to be deferred to Town Council

Agreed Unanimously

Extraordinary Meeting 26th January 2023 –

Proposed Cllr D Martin Seconded Cllr K Roberts

Agreed Unanimously

169.2 **Matters Arising** -, the Clerk stated that the reports on the Car Park lights had been received and quotes would now be obtained

To suspend standing orders to move Agenda item 176 to after 169 and subsequently reinstate before agenda item 170

Proposed Cllr D Martin Seconded Cllr R Blaney

Agreed unanimously.

22/02/170 Opportunity to hear questions or statements from members of the public.

To suspend standing orders and subsequently after item 170

Proposed Cllr Roberts Seconded Cllr R Blaney

Agreed unanimously.

A member of public stated how important the spiders net was to the children of Southwell and how it met the criteria for 'make space for girls'. FOSP offered to work with the Council on replacement equipment in the future.

A resident expressed concern over the security of Froggatt's Field for Dogs, the lack of light on the Burgage from the town to the Old Courthouse, overhanging shrubbery blocking light near Kings Court – Cllr Jackson to report this.

22/02/171 County Councillor Report

171.1 Minster School caretaker's bungalow – this is now the property of NCC and they are looking at the possibilities for the building

171.2 Easthorpe Yellow Lines – these were added after the houses were built.

Cllr Jackson also reported -

- He is looking into who owns the street lights to Lowes Wong School
- There was a successful meeting between Via and STC
- NCC had increased next year's budget for road repairs and increased staffing levels.
- -consultation is taking place for the diversion of FP 81
- He does know who has cut the Nottingham Road hedge, but will continue to investigate.

Cllr Jackson was asked

- was it possible for 20mph signs to be extended throughout the towns in other councils?
- what are the criteria for potholes in relation to cyclists, as this will be should be different form that of a larger vehicle ?

22/02/172 District Councillors Report – Reports from District Councillors Brock, P Harris and Rainbow - noted

22/02/173 Chairs Report and Announcements

173.1 EV Chargers -the EV chargers are soon to be commissioned and a clear communication is required on the restriction of parking in these bays.

173.2 Oak Tree Planting – the event was successful and the Chair thanked the Deputy Lieutenant, Councillors, Residents and Staff for their participation.

173.3 Monthly Clerk's Report – a report to be added to the subsequent agendas. Also papers on the live streaming of meetings and a recommendation from the Communications WG for a policy approval.

22/02/174 Finance

174.1 Draft Income/Expenditure to 31st January 2023 – previously circulated

174.2 Draft Reserves to 31st January 2023 – previously circulated

174.3 Bills for Payment – previously circulated

174.4 Late bills for payment (to be circulated)

Cllr P Harris objected to the payment of 2 suppliers

To approve item 174 with the exception of 2 suppliers , to be discussed to closed session

Proposed Cllr S Reynolds Seconded Cllr P Rainbow

Agreed unanimously.

22/02/175 Market Reserves

To approve the use of Market Reserves to renovate the two noticeboards on the Market Square and make alterations to the fish stall – to be allocated from Market reserves

Proposed Cllr L Harris Seconded K Roberts

Agreed unanimously.

22/02/176 s137 Grant Application – the applicant explained the grant request. Cllr P Harris, Chair of Governance & Finance reported that there was no monies available this year.

To refer the grant application to G & F to determine if funds will be available in 2023-2024

Proposed Cllr P Harris Seconded Cllr R Blaney

Agreed Unanimously

22/02/177 Parks & Open Spaces

177.1 Trees on the Burgage

Proposal to defer closed session due to sensitivity.

Proposed Cllr K Roberts Seconded Cllr S Reynolds

Agreed unanimously.

177.2 Spiders Net Decision Required

To accept proposal for initial investigation work and review when the results have been received. Monies to be allocation from Open Spaces Reserve

Cllr R Blaney Seconded Cllr K Roberts

Agreed unanimously.

177.3 Fruit Tree Walk – the Clerk asked where which reserves the monies for this project were to the allocated, this is to be decided once the Tenders have been received.

Proposal to go out obtain 3 quotes for this project

Proposed Cllr P Harris Seconded Cllr S Perry

Agreed by majority 9 for, 3 against

Proposal to order 20 grafted Fruit Trees for £400 from the open spaces reserves

Proposed Cllr P Harris Seconded Cllr S Perry

Agreed unanimously.

22/02/178 Motion – King Street Car Park –

To apply for a Easement order on the cut through between Kings Street Car Park and Market Square

Proposed Cllr P Harris Seconded Cllr L Harris

Agreed unanimously.

22/02/179 UKSPF Grants to be applied for – the Clerk explained that due to time constraints only one grant could be applied for. Cllr Roberts to assist the Clerk the following day

Proposal to apply for a grant for Church Street Toilets and commit to funding of £6k, allocation of funds to be decided if grant application is successful.

Proposed Cllr D Martin Seconded R Blaney

Agreed unanimously.

22/02/180 Review of Kings Street Closure – Via have now requested a survey of the local business. The Chair thanked Cllr Brock for his work on this project.

22/02/181 To receive and approve the most recent committee meeting minutes from the following standing committees that have taken place since the last Full Council meeting

181.1 Planning & Highways Meeting – 4th January 2023, 1st February 2023 – previously circulated.

181.2 Governance & Finance Meeting – 8th February 2023 – previously circulated.

180.3 Town Environment Meeting – 25th January 2023 – previously circulated.

Agreed unanimously to note the above Minutes, as approval is the responsibility of the individual committees.

22/02/182 Items for discussion at next meeting

Jubilee Tree Walk
Project Update
Removal of the Brackenhurst sign
Communication Policy
Live streaming of meetings

22/02/183 Items for Communication

EV charging information

**22/02/184 To resolve on whether the Council will move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1970 as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972 for the following confidential items:
Proposed Cllr K Roberts's Seconded Cllr M Stott
Agreed unanimously.**

184.1 HR Update – to be discussed at the next HR meeting.

184.2 Statutory Nuisance Risk- to be referred to the next Risk Assessment panel meeting which the Clerk will convene next week.

Proposal to suspend standing order to extend the meeting after 21.00 to discuss the agenda items moved to close session.

Trees on the Burgage and Excluded Bills for Payment

Proposed Cllr M Stott Seconded Cllr D Martin

Agreed except for 1 councillor -

Proposal failed.

22/02/185 Date of next meeting – 15th March 2023

Meeting Closed 21.00

Signed

Date

Chair of Full Council