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The Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Full Council held on Wednesday 26th July 2023 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Cllrs L Brazier (Town Mayor), D Batey, P Beedle, A Brazier, J Halligan, G Lake, J Munroe, M Pringle, D Shelton, L Shilling, R Shilling, M Staley, B Wells, S Willis

Mrs K Wakefield – Clerk Mrs J Fletcher – Deputy Clerk

NSDC Cllr T Wildgust

APOLOGIES: Cllr R Fazil for personal reasons

Resolved: that these apologies be accepted.

Declarations of members interests: None

Declaration of any intentions to record the meeting: None

23/94 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council held on Wednesday 14th June 2023

The Minutes, having previously been circulated, were signed as a true and correct record.

23/95 To receive any information from the Clerk following actions agreed at the last meeting (*not already covered on the agenda*)

The Clerk reported that A W Lymn had re-affixed the QEII Jubilee memorial stone on the Yew Tree Road Playing Field. The stone had initially been gifted to the Council by A W Lymn Funeral Directors to mark the award of Jubilee Field status to the Council owned field. No costs had been incurred for the work carried out.

Members expressed their appreciation and instructed the Clerk to write a letter of thanks to A W Lymn.

The Clerk drew members attention to the newly displayed plaque relating to the Kilometres for the King challenge for which the Council provided the medals for students at all schools in the Town.

A new Town Hall cleaner/caretaker has been appointed and will start their employment on 31st July 2023.

The Clerk reported that further quotations are still awaited for the works to install feeder posts adjacent to the relevant trees on Forest Road.

- 23/96 To review committee memberships following recent co-options**
- The Clerk outlined the Committees and Outside Bodies that had vacancies for members.
- Members proposed and agreed various additions and changes.
(A copy of the revised list is appended to these minutes).
- 23/97 To suspend Standing Orders to allow for:**
1. Questions or Statements from Members of the Public
- No public present therefore Standing Orders not suspended.
- 23/98 To resume Standing Orders**
- Not applicable.
- 23/99 To formally receive any proposals discussed whilst Standing Orders were suspended**
- Not applicable.
- 23/100 To receive any Questions to Council from Members**
- None received.
- 23/101 To receive any written reports from District and County Councillors**
- None received.
- 23/102 Junior Town Council**
1. To receive a verbal report on recent events and ongoing activities
- Cllr Brazier reported that he had visited several schools last week to present Junior Town Councillors with their end of council term certificates. They had done a wonderful job. Parkgate had held a Road Safety Day of Action. All schools are looking forward to the next term of office.
- The Clerk reported that Michelle Fitzpatrick from the Fire Service would be attending the first meeting of the new term.
- 23/103 Finance & Audit**
1. To receive and approve the schedule(s) of accounts for payment
- An amended Schedule of Accounts for Payment was tabled, duly approved and signed.
- Members were reminded that invoices were available for inspection at this meeting.*
2. To consider a recommendation regarding land relating to Ollerton Cemetery

Due to its commercially sensitive nature this item was moved to the end of the meeting.

23/104 Special Projects

To receive any relevant updates and agree future actions regarding the following:

1. Town Centre Regeneration – Levelling up Fund and High Street Task Force

High Street Taskforce – a new scheme is in place in Ollerton called 'Happy Families'. Eight retailers are taking part in the scheme which has various prizes available for families to win.

Levelling up Fund – following a previous meeting with NSDC Officers a date has been set for an informal meeting with all OBTC members to be updated on the current situation with the Town Centre Regeneration Project. All members are expected to attend this informal meeting on 13th September 2023.

The state of the Town Hall building had been discussed and details of various funding opportunities had been received from NSDC. The Clerk reported she was in the process of obtaining further information with a view to submitting a bid prior to the deadline on 14th August.

As part of the funding was available for retailers to brighten up the frontage of their respective outlets, the Clerk was instructed to circulate the information to all members with a view to it being shared with relevant businesses known to them.

Three quotations are being sought for the replacement of the wooden windows in the Town Hall.

23/105 Events

1. To note the date of the Scarecrow Festival

30th September 2023 – noted.

23/106 Outside Bodies

1. To receive a report from Cllr Derek Batey regarding the Furniture Project

Cllr Batey presented his report outlining the previous years losses. The Project has turned a corner this year and had successfully obtained funding from several bodies.

The Project continues to work with local authorities and outside bodies and have delivered essential furniture and household items to 1,043 households in need in the previous financial year.

Cllr Batey provided a copy of the Annual Report and Accounts for 2022-2023 for information.

Cllr Pringle praised the Furniture Project for their continued hard work.

2. To agree the reports for the next meeting

- Cllr M Pringle – SFEP

23/107 To receive the draft minutes of the following committees and working parties and note the decisions made thereto:

The following minutes were noted:

1. Planning Committee – 27th June 2023
2. Environment Committee – 11th July 2023
3. Finance & Audit – 19th July 2023

23/108 Correspondence

1. Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils – 2023 AGM - noted
2. Rage Against the Incinerator – Email from the Chair of RAGE

The Clerk was instructed to invite the Chair of RAGE to the next Town Council meeting.

3. Nottinghamshire County Council – Tour of Britain 2023

Members were informed that the Tour of Britain would be coming through the Town on 6th September. Cllr L Brazier requested that all members promote the event to residents.

Following discussion, the Clerk was given instruction to source items to show support for the event on the day, ie banners and flags.

23/93 To note the date and time of the next meeting

Wednesday, 20th September 2023 at 7.00pm

That in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.