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The Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Full Council held on Wednesday 29th January 2025 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Cllrs L Brazier (Chair) A Brazier, R Fazil, G Lake, J Munroe, M Pringle, S Satterly, L Shilling, R Shilling, M Staley, S Willis

Mrs K Wakefield - Clerk Mr P Munday – Admin Assistant

Cllr T Wildgust – NSDC

Three members of the public

APOLOGIES: Cllrs D Batey, P Beedle and B Wells for personal reasons.

Resolved: that these apologies be noted.

Declarations of members interests: None

Declaration of any intentions to record the meeting: None

FC/25/04 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 22nd January 2025 (*enclosed*)

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

FC/25/05 Clerks Report (*items not already covered on the agenda*)

Nothing to report.

FC/25/06 To suspend Standing Orders to allow for:

1. Questions or Statements from Members of the Public

Standing orders were suspended to allow the Members of the Public to ask questions.

1st Member of the public introduced themselves as the Manager of Tuxford Post Office who will be managing the Banking Hub when it arrives in Ollerton and looks forward to working with the Council and Cash Access in delivering the service.

2nd Member of the public questioned the need for the new regeneration development and new library and cinema. The Chair informed that the current library building was old in need of major improvement; the cinema idea was

put forward after being a popular suggestion during public consultation and invited them to contact the Town Hall and view the current plans for the proposed development.

3rd Member of the public asked about the progress of the Ollerton roundabout and A614 improvements to which County Councillor M Pringle gave an update.

FC/25/07 To resume Standing Orders

Standing orders were resumed

FC/25/08 To receive any Questions to Council from Members

None

FC/25/09 To receive any written reports from District and County Councillors

None

FC/25/10 Finance & Audit

1. To receive the schedule of accounts for payment (*enclosed*)

The Schedule of Accounts for Payment was tabled, duly approved and signed.

The Clerk as RFO reminded members that all invoices were available on the table for inspection at this meeting.

2. To note the decision made at the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 22nd January 2025 with regard to the 2025/26 Budget

The Clerk gave a brief report on the recent Budget Setting meeting and It was confirmed that all members have had the opportunity to view the budget proposals.

The Clerk confirmed that due diligence had been done and the proposals had been sent to Newark & Sherwood District Council officers to be checked. The proposed budget would result in a 15p per week increase per household on a Band D property.

3. To formally approve the Budget Proposals and Precept requirements for the financial year commencing 1st April 2025 (*enclosed*)

Following the discussion, it was

Resolved: that the Budget Proposal presented to the meeting held on 22nd January be approved

And

The precept requirements be formally approved and recorded in these minutes to fulfil the Council's legal requirements.

Resolved: that the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer be instructed to serve a precept upon Newark & Sherwood District Council in the sum of £539,185

Proposed: Cllr L Brazier
Unanimously Agreed

Seconded: Cllr A Brazier

Cllr M Pringle praised the Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Admin Assistant, Chair & Vice Chair of Finance & Audit on the hard work and the attention to detail allowing the Council to put forward an accurate budget.

FC/25/11 Special Projects

1. To receive any relevant updates on Town Centre Regeneration and the proposed Banking Hub

Nothing further to report. The Clerk advised members that there will be more updates following a meeting in the coming weeks, and that Cash Access have revisited potential temporary sites with a view to opening in the summer.

Cllr L Brazier gave a brief outline of the Regeneration project for the members of the public present.

2. To discuss future usage of Town Council assets

Following a recommendation from The Clerk it was

Resolved: That this item be deferred to a future meeting to enable absent Councillors to attend and comment.

Proposed: Cllr L Brazier
Unanimously Agreed

Seconded: Cllr L Shilling

FC/25/12 Environment Committee

To receive any relevant updates regarding the following:

1. Skatepark

The Clerk reported that they are waiting for the weather and evenings to improve to arrange a site visit for the youth and young people of Ollerton to discuss what they would like to see in the skatepark.

2. Playparks

Nothing to report. Daily/Weekly inspections taking place. Various repairs ongoing.

FC/25/13 Junior Town Council

To receive any updates relating to the Junior Town Council

Nothing further to report

25/11/14

Events

To discuss draft arrangements for 2025 events

The Clerk reported that a date is being finalised for the next Events Working Party meeting and will update members on the following events at the next Full Council Meeting:

1. Scarecrow Festival
2. Remembrance Sunday – 9th November 2025
3. Christmas Lights – November 2025
4. Any other suggested events

Cllr L Brazier reminded members that St. Georges Day will be returning this year on the 27th April and The Council will be providing support for the event.

It was suggested during the recent Community Alcohol Partnership meeting to consider the possibility of holding Health Roadshow. This will be taken to the Junior Town council for input.

The Clerk reported that a request had been received from a fairground operator to attend during the Easter period in April.

Following discussion the Councillors were happy for the fairground to attend and it was:

Resolved: That the Clerk invite the fairground to attend

Proposed: Cllr L Brazier **Seconded:** Cllr L Shilling

Unanimously Agreed

FC/25/15

Outside Bodies

1. To receive a report from the Cllr M Pringle – CAR Project

Cllr Pringle reported on the ongoing work supporting those in the community and beyond with food parcels and any other support that may be needed and praised the hard work and dedication of the staff and volunteers and highlighted that since the project started in 2020, that 300,000 meals have been provided within the community.

2. To receive a report from the Cllr L Brazier – Lifespring Centre

Cllr L Brazier highlighted the work the centre carry out in providing support for the CAR Project in Ollerton and Warsop, having recently taken over the running of Warsop Town Hall. They also highlighted the support and work opportunities provided to those with special needs and all the various support and clubs offered, such as the weekly Memory Cafe and the monthly Veterans Breakfast.

3. To agree the reports for the next meeting

Cllr G Lake volunteered to give a report on The Furniture Project following their upcoming meeting.

FC/25/16 To receive the draft minutes of the following committees and working parties and note the decisions made thereto: (enclosed)

The following draft minutes were noted:

1. Planning Committee – 7th January 2025

FC/25/17 Correspondence & Publications

1. MHCLG Consultation – to consider a response by OBTC (enclosed)

The Clerk highlighted the need for this consultation regarding Council and Councillor behaviour, highlighting recent cases nationally of bullying of and by Council members and Clerks, and the need for individuals to be held responsible for their actions.

Following a brief discussion it was:

Resolved: That the Clerk formulate a response on behalf of the Council

Proposed: Cllr M Pringle **Seconded:** Cllr S Willis

Unanimously Agreed

2. Elston Parish Council regarding speed limits (enclosed)

Noted

3. Ollerton & Boughton Age Concern Friendship Group (enclosed)

The Clerk reported that a suggestion was made during the previous budget setting meeting that Age Concern Friendship Group be given free use of the function room for the remainder of the future of the Town Hall. It was agreed and

Resolved: That the Ollerton & Boughton Age Concern Group be given free use of the function room for the life of the Town Hall

Proposed: Cllr L Bazier **Seconded:** Cllr M Pringle

Unanimously Agreed

FC/25/18 To note items for inclusion on future agendas

Item 25/11.2 To discuss future usage of Town Council assets to be deferred to the next meeting of the Full Council.

FC/25/19 To note the date and time of the next meeting

Wednesday 5th March 2025 at 7pm