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The Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Full Council held on Wednesday 11th December 2024 at 7.00pm

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

Mrs K Wakefield – Clerk Mrs J Fletcher – Deputy Clerk

Cllr T Wildgust – NSDC

APOLOGIES: Cllrs P Beedle and M Pringle due to work, B Wells for personal reasons.

Resolved: that these apologies be accepted

Declarations of members interests: Item 24/144.1 & 2 Cllr L Brazier for personal reasons.

Declaration of any intentions to record the meeting: None

24/138 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 30th October 2024

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

24/139 Clerks Report

Nothing to report that was not already to be covered by the agenda.

24/140 To suspend Standing Orders to allow for:

1. Questions or Statements from Members of the Public - none present

24/141 To resume Standing Orders

24/142 To receive any Questions to Council from Members

Cllr L Shilling asked why there had been no reports recently from NSDC and NCC Councillors.

The Clerk reported that none had been submitted for circulation. The Chair informed members that it was his understanding that an NSDC report would be sent to the Town Council for the next Full Council meeting in 2025.

24/143 To receive any written reports from District and County Councillors

None received.

24/144 Planning Consultation

1. Application: 24/01717/FUL
Proposal: Demolition of existing workshop. Erection of 1 bedroom dwelling and retaining wall
Location: The Mount, Main Street, Ollerton, NG22 9AD
Decision: Support Application
2. Application: 24/02082/PA
Proposal: Installation of roof mounted 74.8kW solar PV system comprising of 170 x Canadian Solar 440w modules
Location: The Broadleaves, Bishops Way, Boughton
Decision: Support Application

24/145 Finance & Audit

1. To receive the schedule of accounts for payment

An amended 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.

19.20 NSDC Councillor T Wildgust joined the meeting at this point

2. To confirm arrangements for Budget setting 2025/2026

The Clerk reported that she had received a request from a member for a change of meeting dates to be considered due to a personal commitment.

The Clerk as RFO also asked members to consider the number of proposed meetings and their availability to attend.

Following discussion the following were proposed:

6/1/2025 Chair & Vice Chair of F&A, Clerk & Deputy Clerk – Unanimous
14/1/2025 Informal meeting of Council – Unanimous
22/1/2025 Extra Full Council – Finance – 7 for, 2 Ag, 1 Ab therefore carried by majority vote.

3. To consider a Grant Funding request from BOWE Radio

Following discussion it was proposed and agreed that the Council support the request in the sum of £1,000 and the Clerk was instructed to make the requester aware of other funding streams available to them.

Proposed: Cllr R Shilling **Seconded:** Cllr D Batey
Decision: Majority – 10 for 1 Against

4. To approve a quotation for tree works and note further work required

Members were informed of works already carried out at Yew Tree Road and also the issues regarding the land managed by the Town Council on the former welfare land off Whinney Lane.

All trees are to be re-surveyed by the tree surveyor and an updated scheduled to be obtained from the tree surgeon.

A resident of St Peters Close adjacent to the Cemetery had made the Clerk aware of an issue regarding tree roots coming onto his property. He had been advised by his insurance company to leave the roots insitu for the foreseeable.

Following discussion it was proposed and agreed that the quotation for a revised tree survey be accepted and subsequent priority works be carried out.

Proposed: Cllr Batey **Seconded:** Cllr R Shilling
Decision: Unanimous

24/146 Special Projects

Due to the commercially sensitive nature this Item moved to the end of the meeting

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

24/147 Environment Committee

To receive any relevant updates regarding the following:

1. Skatepark

The Clerk reported that due to inclement weather and time constraints a meeting with the youth group who had previously attended a meeting at the town hall would now take place in the new year.

2. Allotments

The Clerk informed members that the agreement with the Probation Service had now been signed by the Ministry of Justice. A date for the works to start is still to be confirmed.

24/148 Junior Town Council

1. To receive any updates relating to the Junior Town Council

The Clerk reported that several Councillors had been invited to Parkgate Academy and St Joseph's to view their Christmas performances.

The hunt for Cllr Elf is going well, the live draw will take place on 19th December by Cllr L Brazier, the winner will receive a £50 cash prize. Entry forms have been sent to all schools, enough for each student, forms can also be collected from the Town Hall.

All schools are now fully involved with the JTC and members of staff are receiving great support from their respective schools.

24/149

Events

To receive updates and from the Events Working Party

1. Remembrance Sunday – 10th November 2024

The parade and service were again very well attended and everything went well.

Cllr Fazil thanked the organisers of the service for the opportunity to show support for countries who are in war torn areas and are experiencing hardship.

2. Christmas Lights Switch On – 29th November 2024

Feedback received on social media was mainly positive.

The event was a success and thanks were given to the Clerk, Deputy Clerk and the Amenity Team for their hard work along with members of the Council who had provided support on the day.

It was commented that the event lacked atmosphere though this was not felt to be so by the majority. The entertainment had been called 'top notch' and all involved had done a great job.

The Clerk reminded members that they are not able to accept any comments made on social media.

24/150

Outside Bodies

1. To receive a report from Cllr M Staley – Boughton Village Hall

Cllr Staley gave his report and informed members that the BVH funds were steady. The Rugby Club had taken over the upkeep of the field and the hall had one regular user.

The committee were trying to obtain funding via the DC Officer C Billam for heaters and a combi boiler. The roof currently had a leak.

Cllr Staley reported that the committee were still short of members.

2. To receive a report from Cllr R Shilling – Age Concern Friendship Group

Cllr R Shilling reported that he had updated the group on the progress of the new town centre development.

He read a letter from the group which outlined what they do, they had provided 4 outings in 2024, all free of charge to their members

3. To agree the reports for the next meeting

Resolved: Cllr M Pringle to report on the CAR project
Cllr L Brazier to report on the Lifespring Centre

24/151 Dukeries 6th Form Consultation

To discuss the consultation document and agree any further actions of response

The Clerk reminded members that the deadline was Monday 13th January 2025 should anyone wish to make comment on the consultation.

24/152 To receive the draft minutes of the following committees and working parties and note the decisions made thereto:

1. Planning Committee – 29th October 2024
2. Events Working Party – 13th November 2024
3. Environment Committee – 18th November 2024
4. Junior Town Council – 27th November 2024
5. Finance & Audit Committee – 4th December 2024

Noted.

24/153 Correspondence & Publications

The Clerk informed members of the content of an email that had been received regarding disabled parking provision on the day of the Christmas light switch on event.

During discussion members commented that:

The road closure detail was under the remit of the County Council and this Council was not able to delegate other areas as disabled parking. Other parking facilities for disabled and other users was available throughout the town centre area.

24/154 To note items for inclusion on future agendas

To look at future usage of Beacon Court and South Side allotments.

24/155 To note the date and time of the next meeting

Wednesday, 22nd January 2024 at 6pm (Budget Setting)

Wednesday, 29th January 2024 at 7pm

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.