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The Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Full Council held on Wednesday 9th April 2025 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Cllrs L Brazier (Chair) D Batey, P Beedle, A Brazier, R Fazil, J Munroe, L Shilling, R Shilling

Mrs K Wakefield - Clerk Mr P Munday – Admin Assistant

Two members of the public

APOLOGIES: Cllrs D Shelton, B Wells, M Staley & G Lake for personal reasons, and Cllrs S Willis & M Pringle due to work.

Resolved: that these apologies be noted.

Declarations of members interests: Cllr L Brazier declared a pecuniary interest in item FC/25/43.3 as an employee of the funding applicant.

Declaration of any intentions to record the meeting: None

FC/25/36 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 5th March 2025 (*enclosed*)

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

FC/25/37 Clerks Report (*items not already covered on the agenda*)

1. Derelict building on A614

The Clerk reported that the fly tipping around the derelict building has been cleared by NSDC and the land has been secured.

2. Disabled parking on Forest Road

The Clerk reported that she had contacted the parking enforcement officer and was advised that any enquiries about increasing the size of the disabled parking bays should go through VIA East Midlands.

3. Any other relevant updates

None

FC/25/38

To suspend Standing Orders to allow for:

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

The first member of the public spoke to inform the Councillors present of the recent passing of a well known member of the local community.

The second Member of the Public requested assistance from the Council Amenity team in removing litter bags from an upcoming community litter pick in Ollerton Village and requested an update on the re-wilding of Mill Field. The Clerk provided a brief update, stating that on advice from the Notts Wildlife Trust, the area around the edge of the field is left to grow naturally for a year before proceeding.

FC/25/39

To resume Standing Orders

Standing orders were resumed

FC/25/40

To formally instruct The Clerk to carry out any actions discussed while Standing Orders were suspended.

The Clerk was instructed to make arrangements for the collection of the filled refuse bags, and the Admin Assistant was instructed to supply the resident with refuse bags.

FC/25/41

To receive any Questions to Council from Members

None

FC/25/42

To receive any written reports from District and County Councillors

None

FC/25/43

Finance & Audit

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

An amended 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 consider a Grant Funding request from St Georges Day Group (*enclosed*)

Cllr L Brazier presented the funding application. The Clerk highlighted the importance of the event and that The Council have always supported the event in previous years.

Following a brief discussion it was:

Resolved: That the full amount of £534 requested be granted.

Proposed: Cllr R Shilling

Seconded: Cllr A Brazier

Unanimously Agreed

3. To consider a Grant Funding request from Lets All Eat (*enclosed*)

Due to a previously declared interest, Cllr L Brazier handed over the Chairing of this item to Cllr R Fazil, left the room and took no part in the discussion.

Cllrs A Brazier & P Beedle highlighted the work and the importance of the project and the support it offers the community.

Following a brief discussion it was:

Resolved: That the full amount of £1000 requested be granted.

Proposed: Cllr P Beedle

Seconded: Cllr A Brazier

Unanimously Agreed

Cllr L Brazier returned to the room and continued to chair the meeting.

FC/25/44 Special Projects

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

Cllr L Brazier reported that the project is still on track. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed by the Government and NSDC officers are working with Civil Servants to extend deadlines.

The Clerk reported that an agreement is to be signed between Cash Access and a landlord to open the Banking Hub in early summer, and Barclays have been in touch about having an information bus in Ollerton.

2. To discuss future usage of Town Council assets.

The Clerk reported that she has been in touch with Lloyds regarding the location of the safety deposit box containing deeds to Town Council assets that were previously stored at the now closed branch of Lloyds in Ollerton.

FC/25/45 Environment Committee

1. To note a proposal from NSDC for wildflower/bulbs

The Clerk reported that NSDC are running a pilot scheme to plant flower bulbs and tidy up entrances into local villages in the district, including Boughton, and may extend to other areas of the town. The Clerk provided pictures supplied by NSDC depicting what the area could look like.

Members thanked the Clerk for her prompt action in expressing an interest in this project on behalf of OBTC

2. To receive any updates on skatepark & playparks

The Clerk reported that there are some ongoing repairs. Enquiries still ongoing regarding the Youth Shelter as the installers are requesting

information regarding composition of the concrete base which was installed by NCC.

FC/25/46 Junior Town Council

Cllr A Brazier gave a brief report on the current activities of the Junior Town Council. Cllr J Munroe highlighted the recent fundraising activities of Parkgate and Forest View.

25/11/47 Events

To receive updates on the following 2025 events

1. St Georges Event – Sunday 27th April 2025

Cllr L Brazier gave an update on the time of the event and the expected activities.

2. Scarecrow Festival – 18th October 2025 - Noted

3. Remembrance Sunday – 9th November 2025

The Clerk reported that ATTFE are supplying additional silhouette statues

4. Christmas Lights – Friday 21st November 2025

The Clerk reported that the stage has been booked and the deposit paid.

FC/25/48 Outside Bodies

1. To receive a report from the Cllr G Lake – Jubilee Hall

No report due to absence of Cllr Lake

2. To agree the reports for the next meeting

To await the allocation of Councillors on outside bodies after the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

The Clerk to arrange a meeting with the Crematorium in due course

FC/25/49 To receive the draft minutes of the following committees and working parties and note the decisions made thereto: (*enclosed*)

The following minutes were noted:

1. Planning Committee – 4th March & 1st April 2025
2. Finance & Audit Committee – 12th March 2025
3. Junior Town Council – 18th March 2025
4. Events Working Party – 24th March 2025

FC/25/50 Correspondence & Publications

The following publications were noted:

1. Allotment & Leisure Gardener 2025 issue 1
2. ICCM Journal Spring 2025

FC/25/51 To note items for inclusion on future agendas

None

FC/25/52 To receive a draft Schedule of Meetings for 2025/2026

Noted and unanimously accepted

FC/25/53 Annual Meeting of the Town Council

1. To receive a suggestion from the Clerk regarding the appointment of committees and Chairmen

The Clerk suggested choosing the various Committee Chair/Vice-Chair at the Annual Meeting of the Town Council rather than at the first meeting of the individual Committee. Members happy to proceed with this

FC/25/54 To note the date and time of the next meeting

The following dates were noted:

Annual Town Meeting – Wednesday 16th April 2025 6pm

Annual Meeting of the Town Council – Wednesday 14th May 2025 6.30pm

(Immediately followed by Full Council meeting)