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The Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Full Council held on Wednesday 11th June 2025 at 6pm

PRESENT: Cllrs L Brazier (Town Mayor), D Batey, A Brazier, R Fazil, G Lake, M Pringle, S Satterly, L Shilling, R Shilling, M Staley, S Willis

Mrs K Wakefield – Clerk Mrs Janine Fletcher – Deputy Clerk

One member of the public

APOLOGIES: Cllrs P Beedle, J Munroe and B Wells for personal reasons
NCC Cllr D Clark due to a CC meeting

Resolved: that these apologies be noted.

Declarations of members interests: None

Declaration of any intentions to record the meeting: None

FC/25/87 To approve the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 14th May 2025

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

FC/25/88 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 14th May 2025

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FC/25/89 Clerks Report *(items not already covered on the agenda)*

The Clerk had received notification from the Officers at NSDC's Electoral Services Office that no electors had come forward to request an election for the Ollerton North Ward Councillor Vacancy. The Clerk had now started the process for advertising the Casual Vacancy.

A presentation to the Junior Town Councillors would take place at the next full Council meeting on 23rd July.

The Clerk reported that as requested she had sent a letter of thanks to the outgoing NCC Councillor M Pringle and also to the St Georges Event Committee.

The Chair of the St George Event had sent his thanks to the council for their support and also wished to inform members that there was to be a Faith Tea social at the Jubilee Hall on 19th June at 6.30pm.

FC/25/90 To suspend Standing Orders to allow for:

1. Questions or Statements from Members of the Public

None present.

FC/25/91 To resume Standing Orders

Standing orders were resumed

FC/25/92 To formally instruct The Clerk to carry out any actions discussed while Standing Orders were suspended

None.

FC/25/93 To receive any Questions to Council from Members

Cllr M Staley informed members that the Boughton Village Hall AGM was taking place on Tuesday 17th June at 7pm. They are looking for new members on their committee.

Concerns were raised about the number of properties that are empty in Ollerton Village which are owned by the Sam Smith Brewery and asked if the Town Council could write to them.

Cllr L Brazier informed members that the District Council were in regular contact with Sam Smith's regarding the empty properties. Contact would be made with Matt Lamb of NSDC for an update on this issue.

FC/25/94 To receive any written reports from District and County Councillors

None received.

FC/25/95 To consider action regarding forthcoming changes to the appointment system at Middleton Lodge

Cllr L Brazier informed members that a letter had been sent from 3 District Councillors to Middleton Lodge Practice regarding the triage system for appointments that is due to be implemented at the surgery. The District Councillors had requested a meeting with the Practice Manager but this has been declined.

There had been no formal consultation but meetings had been arranged by the practice for members of the public to attend where they would be informed of the procedures that were to be implemented.

Following discussion where Councillors raised their concerns regarding pressure on the A and E departments and the public who were not familiar with digital technology it was

Resolved: that Councillor L Brazier, as Chair of the Council, would write a letter asking what solutions would be in place should there be any issues with this new system.

FC/25/96

Finance & Audit

1. To receive the schedule of accounts for payment

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

The Clerk informed members that the figure relating to the Council Insurance was for the 3 year contract for all insurance cover including vehicles.

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

2. To acknowledge that the Council Insurance has been renewed for 3 years

Noted.

FC/25/97

Special Projects

1. To receive any relevant updates on Town Centre Regeneration

All Councillors had been summoned to attend a recent meeting with the Officers of the District Council.

The legal teams were working towards an agreement including the Town Councils requirements.

The Town Council had carried out due diligence to ensure the best deal had been obtained for the Community.

Funding for the A614 improvements had been approved and members proposed a letter be sent to Michelle Welsh MP and Claire Ward East Midlands Mayor thanking them for the work in securing this funding.

FC/25/98

Environment Committee

1. To receive an update on NSDC Greening project

The team from NSDC are maintaining the areas already planted.

2. To receive any updates on skatepark & playparks

Two new youth shelters have been ordered and are to be sited near to the DJ booth and between the small play area and the interactive football game at Central Park.

The Clerk reported that the see-saw had been damaged on Yew Tree Park play area, this anti-social behaviour had been reported to the Police.

The carpet on the Toro interactive unit on Whitewater Road play area had lifted again and was being refixed.

Councillors agreed that the public should be made aware of these incidents and it was

Resolved: that the Clerk post the incidents of anti-social behaviour on social media and continue as and when other occur.

Cllr R Shilling raised the issue of CCTV and the need for the Council to revisit this.

Cllr L Brazier informed members that NSDC had brought CCTV for the District back in-house and Cllr L Brazier will raise this at a District Council meeting for the betterment of this area.

The Clerk informed members that a new supplier had been used for this year's hanging baskets and bedding plants. The supplier had been chosen due to the excellent displays at Sherwood Forest Crematorium who had used them for the last few years.

FC/25/99 Junior Town Council

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

Cllr A Brazier gave a brief report on the last meeting of year for the current Junior Town Councillors.

They discussed what they had enjoyed during the past year and everyone agreed they had grown in confidence from when they had first started as a Councillor and had begun to mix with members of the other schools making new friends.

They had all been invited to attend the next Full Council meeting to be presented with a certificate.

Cllrs Pringle and L Brazier thanked all involved with the JTC and commented that it had proved to be a fantastic opportunity for our young people. The JTCllrs had gone from strength to strength over the years.

Following discussion members

Resolved: that the Clerk be instructed to write a letter to Mrs D Snowdon thanking her for her commitment to our community and also to write an article for the Roundabout magazine highlighting the merits of our Junior Town Council.

25/100 Events

To receive updates on the following 2025 events

1. Scarecrow Festival – 18th October 2025

This event had been promoted at the Ollerton Together meeting.

2. Remembrance Sunday – 9th November 2025

Through the Ollerton Together meeting a working party was to be formed to promote poppy displays in the area by the community.

3. Christmas Lights – Friday 21st November 2025

Noted.

The Clerk reported that she had contacted the Lions regarding their Santa but not heard anything as yet.

FC/25/101 Outside Bodies

1. To appoint an additional member to the Furniture Project Committee

Following discussion members

Resolved: by Nem-Con that Cllr Derek Batey be the additional member on the Furniture Project committee

2. To receive a report from Cllr G Lake re Ollerton Jubilee Hall

Cllr Lake gave a very informative report on the Jubilee Hall, informing members that their committee was still very short of members . Finances were stable and bookings were very healthy. They are hoping to have an extension to the rear side of the building which is currently looking at costing £130k. They may need assistance with producing a mailing list.

3. To agree the report(s) for the next meeting

Cllr M Pringle – Ollerton RBL

FC/25/102 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 May 2025
2. Environment Committee – 3rd June 2025

FC/25/103 Correspondence

None

FC/25/104 Publications

None

FC/25/105 To note items for inclusion on future agendas

None.

FC/25/106 To note the date and time of the next meeting

Wednesday 16th July 2025 at 6.00pm TBC (additional meeting to discuss Town Centre Regeneration)

Wednesday 23rd July 2025 at 6.00pm

Meeting closed at 19.24pm