

BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of the TOWN COUNCIL HELD
on WEDNESDAY 5th March 2025 at 19.00

Councillor N Jacques (Chairman)

Councillors L Bennet, A Chapman, C Thornton, C Patterson, N Pinchbeck, B Troop, P Vickers, K Vickers, and A Watson.

Also in attendance T Davis (Town Clerk)

Public Participation

None.

304. **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr N Turner (Personal)

305. **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr L Bennet declared a Pecuniary Interest in the Grant Applications for the Air Raid Shelter and Baysgarth Museum.

Cllr L Bennet declared a Personal Interest in Grant Applications for Friends of Barton Parks and Barton Tourism Partnership.

Cllrs B Troop and A Watson declared a Personal Interest in Barton Tourism Partnership.

Cllrs B Troop and P Vickers declared a Personal Interest in Friends of Barton Parks.

Cllr A Chapman declared a Personal Interest in the payments for Corn Exchange.

306. **Mayors Notice**

Mayor gave thanks to all who attended the Civic Dinner, The Ropewalk for their excellent hosting and to the Town Council staff for the great organisation. Almost £1700 was raised for the charities.

Annual Town Meeting is on the 10th April. This will commence at 6pm with lots of exhibitions from recipients of Grants last year and Town Council will be sharing details of existing and new services and projects for the up coming year.

307. **Minutes to receive, approve and confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 5th February 2025**

AGREED Proposed Cllr C Patterson , Seconded Cllr A Watson

That the previously circulated minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 5th February 2025 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record with the addition Cllr C Thornton as present.

Unanimous

308. (a) **Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 17th February 2025**

AGREED Proposed Cllr N Pinchbeck, Seconded Cllr K Vickers

That the previously circulated minutes of the Planning Committee of the Council held on 17th February 2025 be received, approved and confirmed as a correct record by the Planning Committee Members present and signed by the Chairman of the Planning Committee.

Unanimous of those Committee Members present at the meeting

309. **To receive Correspondence, Progress Report and Notices for Information**

AGREED Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Jacques

To write to Haxey Parish Council to offer support, however the Council cannot offer any financial support at this time.

Unanimous

310. **To consider reports from Barton Representatives serving on North Lincolnshire Council**

Cllr P Vickers

Barton was nominated a Finalist in the Town Excellence Award. To display the certificate in the Assembly Rooms.

Ferriby Road Roundabout will be re-surfaced in the next month.

Relief Road update

Works will begin in May 2025.

Land Transfers are in progress and going through the legal process.

Main contractors due to be in place in May 2025.

Archaeologists are now in place.

Cllr C Patterson

All Air Fryers have been distributed. There were over 200.

Slow Cookers and One Cup Kettles are the next to be offered out into the Community.

Bus Stops are being identified on Falklands Way.

Resurfacing will commence next week.

Neighbourhood Plan has been discussed at Cabinet Level and Town Clerk to contact Offices for an update.

Cllr K Vickers

Digital real time at bus stops will be installed very soon. This is a welcome addition to the town.

NLC have trees available for planting, homes are required, requests can be directed to Cllr K Vickers.

Cllr Troop asked if there was an update on the issues on Millfield Road. There is an NLC Officer assessing this and will be reported on.

311. **To consider reports from outside bodies**

Cllr L Bennet

Dilapidated Buildings Committee is due to meet on 7th April.

Regeneration Group will meet quarterly with one NLC Officer present.

There is a full document from the Conservation Officer. A series 215 notice has been issued to shops on George Street and King Street.

Conservation Officer has suggested that the Conservation Area could be extended.

It was suggested to use the Neighbourhood Plan Design Codes as a guide.

Cllr L Bennet

Civic Society – There has been a request to the Civic Society to provide a letter of support for the repairs to the Chapel on Chapel Lane.

AGREED

Proposed Cllr L Bennet, Seconded Cllr N Jacques

Town Council to also send a letter of support for the repairs to the Chapel on Chapel Lane – Heritage Funding Grant.

Unanimous

Cllr B Troop

Barton Tourism Partnership

Expressed huge gratitude and thanks for the excellent new Shrink Map which is an incredible piece of work.

AGREED

Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Jacques

Town Council to also send a letter of thanks to the Barton Tourism Partnership for the fantastic new Shrink Map.

Unanimous

312. **Finance Items**

- a) **To note Accounts for Payment already approved by Finance & General Purposes Committee** (Appendix II Attached) (Any urgent accounts received after making up the agenda)
- b) **Income & Expenditure Report – 11 months** – Noted
- c) **Budget Report – 11 months** - Noted
- d) **(Community Committee) Grant Applications received since the last Community Committee Meeting**

AGREED

Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Pinchbeck

Friends of Barton Parks to be granted £8K from 2024-2025 remaining budget.

Unanimous

AGREED

Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr A Watson

Applegate VE Day to be granted £100 from 2025-2026 budget.

Unanimous

AGREED

Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr A Chapman

AFBC VE Day to be granted £100 from 2025-2026 budget.

Unanimous

AGREED

Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Jacques

Barton Tourism Partnership to be granted £6500 from 2025-2026 budget.

Unanimous

AGREED

Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Pinchbeck

Baysgarth Museum to be granted £8000 from 2025-2026 budget.

Unanimous

This will leave £5700 grant budget for year 2025-2026

313. **The council approach the owner of the vacant former Age UK shop at 31 High Street to see if they would agree to the council arranging for vinyl graphics to be put in the windows to improve the appearance of an empty shop on the High Street Cllr N Pinchbeck**

AGREED

Proposed Cllr N Pinchbeck, Seconded Cllr B Troop

Town Clerk to write to the owner of the former Age UK shop to request permission to display historical events and event information in their window.

Unanimous

314. **The council approach the owners of the former Barclays Bank at 29 High Street, Boots at 11 George Street and Pharmacy Wise at 1 High Street to request they improve the exterior appearance of their stores – Cllr N Pinchbeck**

AGREED

Proposed Cllr N Pinchbeck, Seconded Cllr B Troop

Town Clerk to write to the owners of former Barclays, Pharmacy Wise and Boots to request they tidy up the appearance of their shop fronts.

Unanimous

315. **To resolve on whether the Council will move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972 for the following confidential items:**

AGREED

Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr B Troop

To enter closed session.

Unanimous

316. **Update from Personnel Committee**

Recommended from Personnel

No further large projects to be taken on except for the new building projects.

Delegated Authority to the Town Clerk for spending within budget in line with Committee Chair to be increased to £1000. To be reflected in Financial regulations and Terms of Reference 2025-2026 at the Annual Town Council Meeting.

Youth Club Staff – verbal update – change of role to Deputy Senior Youth Worker.

Town Clerk to investigate Apprentice costs and information.

Move Full Council to the first Monday of the month. Table Standing Orders for this amendment at the April FC with a view to approve at the Annual Town Council meeting.

AGREED

Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Jacques

Agreed Personnel Recommendations above.

Unanimous

317. **Update from Assembly Room Working Group and Recommendations**

Cllr B Troop raised concern regarding the ownership of Assets.

AGREED

Proposed Cllr P Vickers, Seconded Cllr B Troop

To transfer ownership of the Management of the Assembly Rooms from CHAMP to the Town Council by exchange of letters on Friday 7th March 2025

Unanimous

AGREED

Proposed Cllr P Vickers, Seconded Cllr C Patterson

To transfer the existing lease for Maltby Lane Hub from CHAMP to the Town Council.

Unanimous

Cllr N Pinchbeck tabled an amendment 'To Investigate taking on the transfer of the Lease' This was not seconded.

AGREED

Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr P Vickers

To transfer the exiting lease for 51 Fleetgate from CHAMP to the Town Council.

8 In Favour 2 Against.

Town Clerk to share both leases with all members. Maltby Lane Lease and 51 Fleetgate Lease for final approval April Full Council.

Meeting closed at 19:55

..... Chairman Councillor N Jacques
5th March 2025